ACC

10000/120/3934

10000/120/3934 Q27 E.F.I. Supplies: Combat Group Folgore

Sept. 27, 1944 - Nov. 9, 1945 Unit Canteens (1482 1617)

Subject: Outstanding Debit Vouchers.

55 B.L.U.
Ref: 027 - 49.
9 Nov 45.

To: O.C. 36 B.I.D., RASC.

Copy to: No.8 Command Pay Office.

8739

Reference outstanding debit vouchers Nos. 1/56 and 1/76 for a total of £1,309 - 4 - 11 for items purchased from you by Folgore Inf. Div.

There is no F.C.O. within 200 miles of this unit location and so an officer was sent especially to PARMA to pay in the amounts, which were in cheque form to facilitate handling in view of the large sum of money involved.

The F.C.O. PARMA refused to accept the cheques and the officer returned with the bills unpaid.

On 13th Nov a Field Cashier is visiting this area, and the amounts outstanding will be paid to him.

ACW.

1617

O.S.

SUBJECT:- Outstanding Debit Vouchers.

C.O.,
53 D.I.D.
(for Folgore Combat Group)

This is the one being paid today, yes?

C.M.P.
DID/4
1 Nov 45.

£664

6 NOV 1945

No notification of payment of the undermentioned Debit Vouchers has yet been received from Command Paymaster, S C.P.O.

D.V. No.	Date.	Commodity.	Amount due.
I/65	1 May 45	Flour and P.Meat.	£471. 12. 6.
I/76	1 Jun 45	Flour and P.Meat.	£337.19. 5.

As these Vouchers have been outstanding for some long time, it would be appreciated if payment could be made forthwith to the nearest Field Cashier.

Field.

[signature]

1616

Captain,
Commanding 36 D.I.D., R.A.S.C.

Army Form C348
(Lifts of 100 in duplicate)

MEMORANDUM

From | To

Date 19

~~[illegible]~~
To OC
36 DID RASC   Q27-49

Reference outstanding debit vouchers Nos 1/66 and 1/76 for a total of £1,309.1-11 for items purchased from you by Folgore Inf Div.

There is no FCO within 200 miles of this unit location & so an officer was sent especially to Padua to pay in the amounts which were in cheque form to facilitate handling in view of the large sums of money involved.

The FCO Padua refused to accept the cheques & the officer returned with 1615
the bills unpaid.

On 13th Nov. a Field Cashier is visiting ~~Bologna~~ this area, &

the amount outstanding will be paid to him.

Copy to 8 CPO.

File 8640

TRANSMITTAL SLIP

Subject EFI Supplies

53 British Liaison Unit
Ref. 027-47
Date 5 Nov 45

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

Enclosed herewith invoice for ~~Letters/Correspondence.~~ the third quantity of EFI Supplies purchased by FOLGORE.

Dated

Received from 59 D.I.D. Div.

Forwarded for :-
Information ....
Necessary action, please ......
Investigation & report ....
Forward in turn, please ......
Remarks .... May payment please be expedited.

....
[signature] Maj
DA&QMG
for Lt.Col.

1614

Army Form O.1680
(Books of 200).

~~Credit~~ / Debit } Voucher No. 12 AUGUST 1945

To be { paid / received } by the Cashier at No 8 Command Paymaster

the sum of One Hundred and Six pounds, seventeen Shillings and four Pence. being

payment for supplies supplies to Combat Group FOLGORE on 26 Aug 45.

Commodity	Amount	Price	£ - S - D
P. Meat	1875 lbs	@ 13.679d per lb.	£ 106.17. 4

1613

Debited / Credited } in my account for Date of Supply or Service

.................19...

.................Paymaster.

.................19... ....Station.

E231 Wt.W43215/734. 15,000 pads 1/43. K. & H., Ltd. G667/135x

file

COPY

Subject: Canteen Supplies for the Italian Army

Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)
Q/27/3
27 Oct 45

8589

To :- 59 B.L.U.

Copy 53 B.L.U.

Reference Q/5/14 dated 22 Oct 45.

In view of the cessation of hostilities and the urgent need to conserve all food supplies, the issue of the Allied portion of the ration for canteen purposes was discontinued with effect from 1 Oct 45.

Final allotment was made for the month of September under this HQ signal Q.589 of 7 Sep (not Q.509 as stated)

The allocation was made to 2 District to include all troops taken over from 1 District.

Signed - R.A.CURTIES Lt.Col.
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

Subject: Canteen Supplies for the Italian Army

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27-45
31 Oct 45

To :- H.Q. FOLGORE Inf Div

Herewith copy of MMIA letter ref Q/27/3 dated 27 Oct 45 passed to you for information.

1612

Lt.Col.
G.S.

Subject: EFI Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref: Q27 - 46.
2 Nov 45.

8624

To: HQ Folgore Inf. Div.

Ref your 2447/Comm. di prot. dated 1 Nov 45.

Receipt is acknowledged of the following cheques.

Banca d'Italia	No. 0013567	Lire	100.000.
" "	" 0013568	"	100.000.
" "	" 0013569	"	100.000.
" "	" 0013570	"	100.000.
" "	" 0013566	"	100.000.
Banco di Roma	" 009430	"	23.838.
		Total Lire..	523.838.

It is pointed out that the last-mentioned cheque for Lire 100.000. is No. 0013566, and not No. 0013571 as stated in your letter.

Lt.Col.,
C.S.

1611

227-46

ARMY FD2 NOV 1945 GR

2 NOV 1945

COMANDO DIVISIONE "FOLGORE"
Ufficio Commissariato

n° 2447/Comm. di prot. Bressanone, P.M.146, lì 1/11/1945 -

OGGETTO: Fatture di addebito.

AL 53° B. L. U. — S E D E
(Rif. foglio DID/4 in data 21/7/45 del 36 DID)
e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO REPARTO TRASPORTI E RIF.TI — P.M.146

^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^

Si allegano i seguenti assegni bancari:

- Banca d'Italia	n° 0013567	Lire	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013568	"	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013569	"	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013570	"	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013566	"	100.000.-
- Banco di Roma	" 009430	"	23.838.-
		Totale Lire...	523.838.-

a saldo delle fatture I/66 e I/76 emesse dal 36 D.I.D. a carico di questo Comando rispettivamente in data 2/5/45 e 2/6/45.

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Pregasi rilasciare regolare ricevuta dell'importo suddetto.

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Si allegano i seguenti assegni bancari:

- Banca d'Italia	n° 0013567 ✓	Lire	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013568 ✓	"	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013569 ✓	"	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013570 ✓	"	100.000.-
- " "	" 0013566 ✓	"	100.000.-
- Banco di Roma	" 009430 ✓	"	23.838.-
		Totale Lire ...	523.838.-

a saldo delle fatture I/66 e I/76 emesse dal 36-D.I.B. a 1610
carico di questo Comando rispettivamente in data 2/5/45 e 2/6/45.

Pregasi rilasciare regolare ricevuta dell'importo suddetto.

p. IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE a.p.
-Ten.Col. Umberto De Martino-s.
IL CAPO SEZIONE SERVIZI
- Magg. Francesco Petrilli-

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

[redacted]

5565

Subject:- Canteen Supplies for the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
m (M. M. I. A.) ROME.
Q/27/3
27 October, 1945.

To:-

50 B.L.U.

Reference Q/5/14 dated 22 October 45.

In view of the cessation of hostilities and the urgent need to conserve all food supplies, the issue of the Allied portion of the ration for canteen purposes was discontinued with effect from 1 October 45.

Final allotment was made for the month of September under this H.Q. signal Q.589 of 7 September (not Q.509 as stated.).

The allocation was made to 2 District to include all ~~groups~~ taken over from 1 District.

1609

R.A. Curties

R.A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

RAC/fem

Copy to:
2 District
51 B.L.U.
52 B.L.U.
53 B.L.U.
56 B.L.U.

Subject:- M.T. Stores Depot - San Candido

H.Q., No. 1 C.E.M. Group

HQ/2/1

8433

23 OCT 1945

O.C.,
53 B.D.U.

Reference your Q9 - 12 of 16 Oct 45.

1. The existance of empty huts at San Candido has been reported to the R.E. services. Until their requirements are known, please do not remove the guards.

Capt.
O.C.
H.Q., No. 1 C.E.M. Group
RAOC.

1608

20 Oct 45
C.M.F.
KMB/JFR

Copy to :- O.O. M.T. Depot, Laives.

Subject: Debit Vouchers

53 S.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 44
17 Oct 45

8365

To : OC,
36 DID RASC

1. Reference your DID/4 dated 7 Oct 45.

2. An immediate investigation into this matter has been made, and the amounts concerned will be remitted to the Field Cashier Padua within the next few days.

QCh
Lt. Col. 1607
G.S.

Copy to : DDST HQ BTA
Command Cashier, 8 Command Pay Office

BF 20/10

SUBJECT:- Outstanding Debit Vouchers.

5288

O.C.,
53 British Liaison Unit,
(for FOLGORE Combat Group),
C.M.F.

DID/4
C.M.F.
7 Oct 45.

Command Paymaster, 3 Command Pay Office notifies that no payment has yet been made in respect of two Debit Vouchers (Nos. I/66 and I/76) raised against the FOLGORE GRUPPO by this unit in respect of Canteen Issues of Flour and P.Meat.

Debit Voucher I/66 for the sum of £471.12.6 was forwarded to you on 2 May 45 and I/76 for £337.19.3. on 2 June 45. A previous reminder that these D.Vs are outstanding has met with no result and it would be appreciated if payment could be made forthwith to your nearest Field Cashier in order to avoid further correspondence.

[signature]
Captain,
Field. Commanding 30 D.I.D., R.A.S.C.

1606

X Copy to:- DDST, HQ, B.T.A. (My DID/4 of 20 Aug 45 refers - Command Cashier 3 CPO now requests that further hastening action be taken).

Subject: EFI Supplies to Italian Combat Groups.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27-43
11 Oct 45

5234

To :- Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.(MMIA)

1. Ref your Q/2/3/1 dated 14 Jun 45.

2. Herewith details of EFI Supplies purchased by the I.C.G. FOLGORE during September 45 :-

NIL

1605

Lt.Col.
G.S.

S233

Subject: EFI Supplies to Italian Combat Groups.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27-42
11 Oct 45

To :- H.Q. 217 Area

1. Further to this HQ letters ref Q27-28 of 8 Sep and Q27-40 of 22 Sep 45.

2. May a reply to the a/n letters now be forwarded please.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

8006/927

Subject: EFI Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref. 927-41
28 Sep 45

To :- Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA)

H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Herewith forwarded Copy No.3 of MMIA Form 23, Voucher No.6, in respect of EFI toilet articles drawn by Combat Group FOLGORE from 32 BIS on 31 Aug 45.

2. Summary of purchase:

Voucher No.6 - August maintenance issue and outstanding balance of initial issue - Gross Lire 246,525, Net Lire 221,872.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1604

7864

Subject: EFI Supplies to Italian Combat Group.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27-40
22 Sep 45

To :- H.Q. 217 Area

1. Ref this HQ letter Q27-28 of 8 Sep 45, copy attached.

2. May a reply to the a/m letter now be forwarded please.

R.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1736

Subject:- Canteen Rations.-

c/o 60 SUB AREA
C.M.F.

STG/19
13 September 1945

To:- 1 Territorial Hq. Turin
2 Territorial Hq. Genoa
3 Territorial Hq. Milan

1. At appendix "A" attached is given the allocation to Commands of Canteens Supplies for Italian Troops in N.W. Italy for September 1945. These Canteen Rations will be used solely for canteens and clubs operated by Commands and Formations. The allotments to Territorial Commands includes all Combat Groups within their territory.

2. Canteen supplies will be drawn from Italian Distribution Depots as shown in appx "A".

3. Addressees drawing canteen supplies will prepare separate ST/S which will be clearly marked "CANTEENS" and only canteen rations will be shown in this ST/S.

4. Territorial Hq's will ensure that Italian Distribtuion Depots forward to Hq. MMIA issuing vouchers showing:

(a) Items issued and quantity
(b) Signature of receiving authority 1603
(c) Counter/signature of issuing Distribution Depot
(d) Authority for issue, i.e. MMIA Signal: Q 589 dated 7 Sept 45

5. Territorial Hq's will forward list of all clubs within their territory which are operating for Italian Troops to this office. No further allocation will be made for Canteen Rations in future.

Captain, RASC.
S&T MMIA LO
N.W. Italy

Copy to:- Hq. M.M.I.A.
S&T MMIA LO NE Italy (for similar action in connection with 4 & 5 Terr. Hqs.)

58 B.L.U.
53 B.L.U.
56 B.L.U.
} Allotments will be given to your Divisions through respective Terr. Hqs)

Appx "A" to Letter SFG/19 of
13 September 45

1602

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

Subject : EFI Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 27
6 Sep 45

file
7487

To OC,
9 B.I.S.
PADUA

1. Reference recent issue of EFI toilet articles to Combat Group FOLGORE.

2. On examination it has been ascertained that in 2 boxes the toothpaste issued (qty 720 tubes per box = 1440) is in poor condition and quite unusable.

3. These 2 boxes are being returned to you and you are kindly requested to

a) issue replacements

or

b) effect suitable alteration on the issue vouchers (MMIA Form 23) covering this purchase.

Lt. Col.
G.S.

[redacted]

7472

Subject: E.F.I. Supplies.

To: H.Q Combat Group FOLGORE.

SU

53 B.L.U.
3 Sep 45.
Ref AQ/Q27-26

1. Ref this H.Qs. Q27-20 of 4 Aug 45. Please cancel para. 1.

2. A.F.H.Q. have now authorised under ref AFHQ/2554/Q (Maint) of 25 Aug 45, certain categories of the Italian Armed Forces to make limited purchases of E.F.I. commodities.

3. The categories are :

(a) Combat Troops
(b) BR-ITI Service Troops
(c) That part of the Italian Army and Air Forces which are a British feeding commitment.

4. The scale of items which may be purchased is as follows:

Toothpaste	1 tube per officer or man per month.
Shaving soap	½ stick " " " " " "
Hair preparation	1 bottle " " " " " "
Health salts	1 " " " " " " "

5. Purchases may be made in the normal way w.e.f. 1 Sep 45 and accounting will be as formerly employed.

6. In view of the above please submit to this H.Q. for approval the demands on M.M.I.A. form 23 (in quintuplicate) for the maintenance issue of Sep. on the scale quoted above in para. 4.

1601

Lt. Col.
G.S.

Pr 33
Sep + 2.

SUBJECT: EFI Sups - Italian Combat Tps

HQ No 2 District, CMF.

1072/Q1 29 Aug 45.

50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU ✓
56 BLU
LO 1 Italian Guard Regt.

S/L

1. AFHQ have authorised under ref AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 26 Aug 45 certain categories of Italian Armed Forces to make limited purchases of EFI commodities.

2. These categories are:-

(a) Combat troops
(b) BR-ITI Service tps
(c) That part of the Italian Navy and Air Forces which are a British feeding commitment.

3. The scale of items which may be purchased is as follows:

Toothpaste	1 tube per officer or man per month.
Shaving brushes	1 per 2 officers or men (initial issue only, no continued maintenance) 1600
Shaving soap	1/4 stick per officer or man per month
Hair preparation) Health salts)	1 bottle per officer or man per month.

4. Purchases may be made in the normal way wef 1 Sep 45.

5. This HQ 112/1 dated 30 Jul 45 is cancelled.

2. These categories are:-

(a) Combat troops
(b) BR-ITI Service tps
(c) That part of the Italian Navy and Air Forces which are a British feeding commitment.

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Toothpaste	1 tube per officer or man per month.
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Shaving soap	1/4 stick per officer or man per month
Hair preparation) Health salts)	1 bottle per officer or man per month.

4. Purchases may be made in the normal way wef 1 Sep 45.

5. This HQ 1120/1 dated 30 Jul 45 is cancelled.

Lt Colonel,
DA & MG.

Copy to:

59 Area
217 Area
60 Sub Area
214 Sub Area
7 AGRA
G
A
MMIA LO
EFI - att copy to AFH/2554/Q(Maint) dated 26 Aug is fwded.
File 1120/Q1

7:45
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35
31 AUG 1943

LOAO V MBZX NR [illegible]55
QVR 1
FROM EFI DISTONE :
TO 53 BLU :
NRO DA AND QMG DISTONE : NO 9 BIS :
7/1/55 7114
REFERENCE Q 27- 25 ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR SUPPLIES FOR
COMBAT GROUP FOLGORE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION ON 30TH AUG
AT NEAREST BIS VIZ NO 9
(UNCLASSIFIED)
BT THI 0930
SENT 1448 GDP AR :
R AT 1448B US AR TNX

1599

SUBJECT:- EFI Supplies.

217/52/Q.

17 Aug '45

HQ 1 District.	26 BLU att Rear Polcorps
AC EFI Rear HQ Eighth Army	HQ 201 Sub Area
53 BLU att POLCORE	32 BIS BOLOGNA
86 (Army) Area	50 BLU att FRIULI
HQ 214 Sub Area	18 Town Major BRISIGHELLA
Camp	List 'A'

1. EFI Supplies for week commencing 19 Aug '45 will be drawn as follows:-

   (a) Tps now in 217 Area (South of R.Po) excluding tps in FERRARA, who were drawing from 35 BIS will draw from 32 BIS on Wednesdays (all day).

   (b) Tps in FERRARA on

Mon	R.Sigs, RE, and RAC	32 BIS BOLOGNA
Thurs	RA, RAOC and RAMC	
FRI	All other units	

   (c) Tps in 217 Area (North of R.Po) as previously.

2. Times of drawing am 0800 to 1230 hrs
   pm 1330 to 1800 hrs

   No indents will be accepted after 1730 hrs each day.

3. Units originally drawing sups from 32 BIS on Weds will now draw on Monday.

1598

4. 32 BIS is closed Sats PM and all day Sundays.

5. Restricted items on issue week commencing 19 Aug '45:-

   Beer - 2 reputed quarts per man.

   Spirit Nil.

Copy passed to Camp

Lt Col,
AA & QMG,
HQ 217 Area.

FIELD
RCC.

Subject : EFI Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 25 1114
21 Aug 45

To : EFI, 1 District

HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Reference 1 District letter 1D/2706/Q of 13 Aug.

2. AFHQ (under reference 2554/Q(Maint) of 27 Jul) have ruled that Combat Groups will not be permitted to purchase EFI supplies as from 1 Sep 45.

3. May arrangements therefore please be made without delay for the Combat Group FOLGORE to draw the supplies as requested in the a/m 1 District letter in order that these final purchases may be effected before 1 Sep 45.

1597
Lt. Col.
C.S.

7093

22 AUG 1945

Subject:- Canteen Rations.

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

Phone: MILAN 13989.

NWI/5/Q.

14th. August, 1945.

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

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

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

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

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

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(a) Items issued and quantity.

(b) Signature of receiving formation.

(c) Counter signature of issuing Distribution Depot.

clubs operated by formations.

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(a) Items issued and quantity.

(b) Signature of receiving formation.

(c) Counter signature of issuing Distribution Depot.

(d) Authority for issue, i.e. M.M.I.A. signal Q 498 dated 5 Aug.

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

Major,
Sr MMIA LO,
N.W.Italy.

JGB/gb

Copy to:- HQ, M.M.I.A.
HQ, 2 District.
52, B.L.U.
53, B.L.U.
56, B.L.U.
M.M.I.A. L.O., TURIN.
M.M.I.A. L.O., c/o 56 Sub Area.

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

FORMATION.	ITEMS						To be drawn from Italian Distribution Depots at:-
	Flour lbs.	F/meat & Fish lbs.	Sugar lbs.	Coffee lbs.	Olive Oil. pints	Salt lbs.	
1 Terr HQ	110	57	41	28	36	1½	TURIN
2 Terr HQ	110	57	41	28	36	1½	GENOA
3 Terr HQ	110	57	41	28	36	1½	MILAN
LEGNANO Gp	437	228	164	109	146	7	MILAN
CREMONA Gp	437	228	164	109	146	7	ALESSANDRIA
MANTOVA Gp	437	228	164	109	146	7	GENOA
231 Adm Div	219	114	83	54	74	3½	MILAN
TOTAL.	1,860	969	698	465	620	29	

6780

Subject: EFI Sups for Combat Group FOLGORE.

1D/2706/Q.

EFI.

PK

13 Aug 45.

Reference this HQ 1D/2706/Q of 5 Apr 45.

53 BLU, under reference Q27-21 of 7 Aug 45, have requested release of the following EFI Sups for the Combat Group Folgore.

	Voucher No.6 RS 9,000	
Razors	1193	balance of initial issue not yet drawn.
Razor Blades	18000	August maintenance issue.
Tooth Brushes	2250	
Shaving Soap	2250	
Tooth Paste	9000	

Will you please notify the BLU where and when these supplies may be drawn.

~~1594~~

B. Hansell
f/c
Col. i/c Adm.
No. 1 District.

GMF.
MJH/NC.

Copy to: 53 BLU.

9.

Subject: Canteen Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 24
16 Aug 45

6774

To:- HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

ST

1. The u/m items have been allotted to your Gp as canteen supplies for the month of August and will be drawn from 69 DID VALEGGIO, authority HQ BMIA Q 477 of 31 Jul:-

	Item	Quantity
Allied Supply (	Flour	1894 lbs
	P. Meat/Fish	986 lbs
	Sugar	710 lbs
	Coffee	472 lbs
Italian Supply (	Olive Oil	630 pints
	Salt	30 lbs

2. Arrangements for the collection of the a/m commodities will be made through service channels.

Lt.Col.-
G.S.

1593

1916
(Q27)

Subject: Canteen Supplies - Italian Personnel.

ST AR - AI (MI) 15 AUG 1945

1D/2706/1/Q.

11 Aug 45.

~~217 Area.~~
214 Sub Area.

1. The undermentioned items have been allotted for use in Italian Armed Forces Clubs and Canteens for the month of Aug 45. Authority HQ MMIA Q 477 of 31 Jul 45.

2. Formations will draw the supplies from the depots shown.

(a) FRIULI and FOLGORE Combat Group. Draw from DID VALLEGIO.

	Item	FRIULI	FOLGORE
Allied Supplied Items	(Flour	1894 lbs.	1894 lbs.
	(P. meat/fish	956 lbs.	956 lbs.
	(Sugar	710 lbs.	710 lbs.
	(Coffee	472 lbs.	472 lbs.
Italian Supplied Items	(Olive Oil	630 pints.	630 pints.
	(Salt	30 lbs.	30 lbs.

(b) Italian Divisions.

	Item.	209 Div. Draw ex 16 DID FORLI.	230 Div. Draw ex 105 DID FLORENCE.
Allied Supplied Items	(Flour	4734 lbs.	1894 lbs.
	(P. Meat/Fish	2467 lbs.	986 lbs.
	(Sugar	1776 lbs.	710 lbs.
	(Coffee	1188 lbs.	472 lbs.
Italian Supplied Items	(Olive Oil	1582 pints.	630 pints.
	(Salt	75 lbs.	30 lbs.

3. These supplies will be drawn from DIDs shown under formation arrangements, who will arrange allocation to all Italian Armed Forces Clubs and Canteens within their commands.

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Italian Supplied Items	(Olive Oil	630 pints.	630 pints.
	(Salt	30 lbs.	30 lbs.

(b) Italian Divisions.

Item.		209 Div. Draw ex 16 DID FORLI.	230 Div. Draw ex 103 DID FLORENCE.
Allied Supplied Items	(Flour	4734 lbs.	1894 lbs.
	(P. Meat/Fish	2467 lbs.	986 lbs.
	(Sugar	1776 lbs.	710 lbs.
	(Coffee	1188 lbs.	473 lbs.
Italian Supplied Items	(Olive Oil	1582 pints.	630 pints.
	(Salt	75 lbs.	30 lbs.

3. These supplies will be drawn from DIDs shown under formation arrangements, who will arrange allocation to all Italian Armed Forces Clubs and Canteens within their commands. 1592

4. Demands will be submitted on forms ST/S clearly marked "CANTEENS". These demands will later be checked by HQ MMIA to ensure that the quantities quoted above are not exceeded.

5. The voucher covering the issue of these supplies compiled by issuing depot will show:-

(a) Item
(b) Quantity
(c) Signature of receiving Italian Officer.
(d) Counter signature of issuing officer.
(e) Authority for issue.

The voucher will be forwarded to HQ MMIA for accounting purposes.

Col. i/c Adm.
No. 1 District.

CMF.
HD/NC.

Copy to:	A.	HQ MMIA.	50 BLU.
	ST.	HQ 61 Area	53 BLU.
	Welfare.	HQ 64 Sub Area.	MMIA LO (2).

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

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FROM (A)

Originator: [illegible]

Date Time of Origin: [illegible]

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO [illegible]

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. | GR

Originator's No.

Q27-23 [illegible]

[illegible]

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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.
Signed	Signed		THI or TOR		
			Time cleared		

U.S.S. "A" M 150 - 25.000 Pads 100-44

R-6060 6840

LOAO V LROF NR 8392
FROM MMIA 111140B
TO 53 ELU
GR 19 BT 1
Q518 UNCLASSIFIED
REQUEST YOU FORWARD MMIA FORM 23 FOR EFI PURCHASES MADE BY
FOLGORE GRUPPI DURING MONTH OF JULY
BT 111140B
SENT NR 8392 111601 LJT B1 KK

RD 8392 1601B LC KKK Forwarded on 31 July

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[redacted]

Subject: NFI Supplies for Combat Group FOLGORE.

55 S.L.U.
Ref. 027-21
7 Aug 45

Fole.
6701

To :- H.Q. 1 District

H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE
SF
Ord

1. Further to this HQ's 027-14 of 29 Jun 45.

2. HQ Combat Group FOLGORE now desire to obtain the articles as listed below, which comprise the final maintenance issue for August, and the balance of the initial issue not yet drawn.

	Voucher No.6 RS 9,000	
Razors	1193	balance of initial issue
Razor Blades	18000	August maintenance issue.
Tooth Brushes	2250	
Shaving Soap	2250	
Tooth Paste	9000	

3. It is requested that this HQ be given instructions to arrange collection of a/m supplies.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

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File
6697

Subject: EFI Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 22
7 Aug 45

To :- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA)
H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Further to this HQ's Q27-19 of 31 Jul 45.

2. Herewith forwarded Copy No.3 of MMIA Form 25, Voucher No.5 in respect of EFI toilet articles drawn by Combat Group FOLGORE from 32 BIS on 31 Jul 45.

3. Summary of purchase :

Voucher No.5 - July maintenance issue - Lire 254,813.

[signature]
Lt.Col.
G.S.

Subject: EFI Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 20
4 Aug 45

66 61

To:- HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

ST

1. Notification has been received under AFHQ ref 2554/Q(Maint) of 27 Jul 45, that Italian Combat Troops will no longer be permitted to make purchases from EFI wef 1 Sep 45.

2. MMIA Forms 23 for Augyst are to be submitted by you without delay in order that, if possible, the August maintenance issue may be drawn by you before 1 Sep 45.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

Received 8 Aug 45 see Q 27-21

(15 [illegible] / [illegible] — No. 36 Aug 3/45

6642

Subject: E.F.I. supplies

No. 5380.

The original [illegible] has been collected from 6907 [illegible] the following E.F.I. supplies requested as per voucher No. 5 (July 45)

Razor Blades 18,000
Tooth Brushes 2,250
Tooth Paste 9,000

We attach

1) Voucher No. 5 [illegible] for [illegible]

2) [illegible] approved

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as per Voucher No. 3 ([illegible])

Razor Blades 18,000

Tooth Brushes 2,250

Tooth Paste 9,000

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We attach

1) Voucher No. 5: 3 copies for " " 15

2) Voucher No. 6: 5 " " " approval

553 BLU

6604

Subject: E.F.I. Sups for Combat Gps.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E
Q/2/3

31 July 45

To: 50 BLU
54 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
'F' BL & TU

Action already taken 13 Aug letter

Reference this HQ letter Q/2/3 dated 19 Mar 45 authorising the supply on repayment from EFI of certain toilet articles to Combat troops.

It has been decided that, with the end of hostilities in ITALY, it is no longer necessary to maintain the distinction between Combat and Service troops of the Italian Army, and that the responsibility for the provision of toilet articles should revert to the Italian Government.

The Authorities quoted in our letter under reference, therefore, will be considered as cancelled wef 1 SEP 45.

You are requested to ensure that issues for August are drawn before the end of the month and the EFI Forms MMIA 25 are completed and forwarded to this HQ.

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F J Noakes Col

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F.J.NOAKES Col.
for Major General.

Combat troops.

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The Authorities quoted in our letter under reference, therefore, will be considered as cancelled wef 1 SEP 45.

You are requested to ensure that issues for August are drawn before the end of the month and the EFI Forms MMIA 23 are completed and forwarded to this HQ.

1587

F J Noakes

F.J.NOAKES Col.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

PFF/hh

Copy to: AFHQ - your AFHQ/1170/2/Q(Maint) dated 26 Jul 45 refers.

HQ X111 Corps - copy of letter under ref att.

HQ 1 District.

HQ 2 District

HQ 3 District

Commanding General RAAC.

Ministry of War.

ALL MMIA LO's.

6549

Subject: EFI Supplies -
Italian Combat Troops.

1D/2706/Q.

31 Jul 45.

50 BLU.
53 BLU.

AFHQ have notified this HQ under reference 2554/Q(Maint) of 27 Jul 45 that w.e.f. 1 Sep 45, Italian Combat troops will no longer be permitted to make purchases from EFI.

Appendix "C" to this HQ Adm Instruction No. 54 is hereby cancelled.

R Hewitt
Col. i/c Adm.
No. 1 District.

CMF.
BJH/MC.

Copy to: 61 Area.
217 Area.
71 Sub Area.
210 Sub Area.
211 Sub Area.
214 Sub Area.
216 Sub Area.
List 'A' (Less 15, 16, 22, 24, 25, 27/30, 32/34)
War Diary (2)

1586

Subject: EFI Sups

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 19
31 Jul 45 6522

To: Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (MMIA)

Hq Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Ref your Q.475 of 30 Jul Q455 of 20 Jul 45.

2. Herewith forwarded Copies No.3 of MMIA Form 23, Vouchers Nos. 2, 3 and 4, in respect of EFI toilet articles drawn by Combat Group FOLGORE from 32 BIS on 25 Jul 45.

3. Summary of purchases:-

Voucher No.2	-	Completing Initial Issue (now drawn except for 1195 Razors)	Lire 123,716
Voucher No.3	-	MAY Maintenance Issue	Lire 170,524 1585
Voucher No.4	-	JUNE " "	Lire 170,524

4. It is hoped to draw the July maintenance issue in the next few days.

Set what happened to July maint? R

Lt.Col.
G.S.

r forwarded 7 Aug 6697 [illegible]

~~LOAO V LROF NR 2822~~ PZ "
~~FF SRI~~

R-4648

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LOAO V LROF NR 2822 " P "
FROM M.M.I.A 300930B
TO 53 B.L.U
GR 18 B.T ...
Q.475. UNCLASSIFIED.
REF OUR SIGNAL Q.455 OF 20. REQUEST REPLY.
FINANCIAL ADVISOR PRESSING FOR COMPLETION OF MAY ACCOUNT
BT ....
BCW/.1120/AR/TKS/K

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RD1120 JJB

COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "FOLGORE"
Ufficio Commissariato

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N°.1509/Comm. di prot.   P.M.146, li 30 luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Buoni [illegible].F.I.=

AL [illegible] M.I.M.   SUA SEDE

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Si invia la terza copia dei buoni di prelevamento [illegible].F.I. n°.2, 3, e 4 per l'inoltro alla [illegible]=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
[illegible]n.Col. Umberto De Martino-

[signature]

6467

Subject: EFI Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M.I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

25 July 1945

To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CD/52/FA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of April is as follows:

		£	s.	d.
(a)	FRIULI GP	487	3	4
(b)	CREMONA GP.	952	10	2
(c)	LEGNANO GP.	557	6	4
(d)	FOLGORE GP.	2325	14	7
(e)	MANTOVA GP.	425	14	0
(f)	RTC ICF	N I L		
	TOTAL	4748	8	5

P. P. Pardell
P. P. PARDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: 50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
"F" BLU RTC ICF
Welfare, MMIA.

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6466

Subject: EPI Supplies to Gruppi.

S/A

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
3/2/3/3

PA

25 July 1945

To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CO/52/FA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of June 45 is as follows:

		£	s.	d.
(a)	FRIULI GP.	364	3	4
(b)	CREMONA GP.	729	19	3
(c)	LEGNANO GP.	99	3	4
(d)	FOLGORE GP.	N	I	L
(e)	MANTOVA GP.	944	14	5½
(f)	RTC ICF	1000	9	3
	TOTAL	3132	9	7½

P. P. Fardell
P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: 50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
BLU RTC ICF
Welfare MMIA

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 18
21 July 45

6309

Subject: EFI Toilet Supplies

To:- HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Herewith forwarded copy of message from 32 BIS ref B/32/20 of 20 Jul 45.

2. Please arrange collection of these EFI supplies from VALEGGIO on 24 July without fail and report to this HQ on 25 July full details of supplies drawn.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

COPY

FROM: BIS 32 BOLOGNA

TO: 50 BLU 53 BLU

RESTRICTED B/32/20 (.) STORES FOR FOLCORE ICG BEING FORWARD VALEGGIO S P 24TH INST

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R-4222 6296

[illegible] V LPOF NR8870

FROM NMIA 201700B
TO 53 DLN
[illegible] BT
0455 RESTRICTED REF YOUR Q 27-13 OF 29 JUN . PLEASE DRAW NAV MAINT
SUPPLY OF EFI ARTICLES SOONEST AND FORWARD EFI FOUR NMIA 23 TO
THIS HQ
BT 201700B
SENT 8870 2252 REB AR TMN
RECD 8870 2252 WJT AR

YA

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Subject : Canteen Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 17
20 Jul 45

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To : HQ Combat Group FOLGORE
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ST

1. Under MMIA Q/399 of 30 Jun 45 the u/m supplies have been authorised for issue to you from A Sec 69 DID :

Flour	1800	lbs
P/Meat/Fish	900	lbs
Sugar	600	lbs
Coffee	400	lbs
Olive Oil	600	pts
Salt	50	lbs

2. Please arrange collection through ST channels and ensure that MMIA Form ST8 clearly marked 'Canteens' are used. Each voucher should quote above MMIA authority for issue before being forwarded to HQ MMIA.

3. Please inform this HQ when the above supplies have been drawn.

- 1577

Lt. Col.
G.S.

6236/

Subject: EFI Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

14 July 1945

To: AFHQ for Financial Advisor (Br)

1. Reference your D/52/12/FA dated 9 Jul 45 requesting information of EFI supplies purchased by the Gruppi.

2. The position is as follows:

(a) April. Details are awaited from EFI regarding CREMONA and LEGNANO accounts.

(b) May. No reports received from 51 or 53 BLUS. 53 BLU signalled on 29 Jun that they had not yet drawn their May maintenance supply.

(c) June. No reports yet received from 50, 52 and "F" BLUS.

3. As soon as the above reports have been received you will be notified.

F. J. Noakes

PHF/le

F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: AFHQ for Q(Maint)
50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
"F" BLU RTC ICF

M/C NR R-3998 6213

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM MMIA LO 1 DIS PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE TIME DATE GROUP JULY 161100B
REF. NO. A5 CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED TIME DATE RECD 161855B

TO: 209 CESENA - 50 BLU - 53 BLU

RESTD. A5. CNATEEN SUPPLIES. FOR 209 DIV. COLLECT FROM ANCONA 108 DID FLOUR 1076 LBS P/MEAT 560 LBS SUGAR 446 LBS COFFEE 300 LBS OLIVE OIL 360 PTS SALT 18 LBS. FROM FORLI EX 16 DID FLOUR 2690 SALT 47 LBS FOR FRIULI AND FOLGORE FROM A SEC 69 DID EACH FLOUR 1800 LBS P/MEAT 900 LBS SUGAR 600 LBS COFFEE 400 LBS OLIVE OIL 600 PINTS SALT 25 LBS

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Subject: Supplies for Clubs and Canteens - Italian Armed Forces.

HQ., No 1 District, CMF.

Tel: Ext. 22497.

ST/445/1.

14 July 45.

A.D.S.T., 61 Area.
A.D.S.T., 217 Area.
O.C., R.A.S.C. 216 Sub-Area.

Copy to: D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.
A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
A.D.S.T., 50 B.L.U
A.D.S.T., 53 B.L.U
M.M.I.A., L.O.
'Q'

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1. The following supplies have been allotted to the Italian Armed Forces in the District for use in Canteens and Clubs and will be released from DIDs as under:

	ANCONA UNITS Ex 108 DID	FORLI UNITS Ex 16 DID	FOR[illegible] AND FRIULI GRUPPI [illegible] 'A' Sec 69 DID
Flour	1076 Lbs	2690 Lbs	3600 Lbs
P/Meat/Fish	580 "	1456 "	1800 "
Sugar	446 "	1116 "	1200 "
Coffee	300 "	741 "	800 "
Olive Oil	360 Pints	895 Pints	1200 Pints
Salt	18 Lbs	47 Lbs	50 Lbs.

2. These supplies will be issued on M.M.I.A. Forms ST.8 which will be clearly 1574
endorsed "Canteens". Each Voucher should quote the reference MMIA/Q/399 of 30 June 45 as authority for issue, before being forwarded to HQ., M.M.I.A.

3. Under no circumstances will these quantities be exceeded

Under;

	ANCONA UNITS Ex 108 DID	FORLI UNITS Ex 16 DID	FOG[illegible] AND FRIULI GRUPPI [illegible] 'A' Sec 69 DID
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3. Under no circumstances will these quantities be exceeded

In the Field.

[illegible] Capt
Colonel.
Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

~~Sty~~
Capt
~~D.D. [illegible] SSO~~ reply to
attached message ~~in record~~
[illegible]
20 July 45

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COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "FOLGORE"

Ufficio Commissariato

N°I400/Comm. di prot. P.M. 146, li I4 Luglio I945

OGGETTO: Prelevamento generi E.F.I.-

AL COMANDO REPARTO TRASPORTI E RIFORNIMENTI P.M. 146

e, per conoscenza:

AL 53° B. L. U. P.M. 146

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Pregasi provvedere con cortese urgenza al prelevamento dei sottonotati generi E.F.I. presso il 32° B.I.S. di Bologna:

-Rasoi	N°	2693
-Lamette	"	56920
-Spazzolini	"	8236
-Pennelli	"	693
-Sapone per barba	"	7116
-Dentifricio	"	28460

I relativi buoni di prelevamento M.M.I.A. in quintuplice copia N° 2,3 e 4 d'ordine già sono in possesso di codesto Reparto (I6^ C.M.A.).-

Alle presente si allega il buono N° 5 d'ordine.-

A prelevamento effettuato pregasi restituire a questo Comando le copie N° 3 e 4 di ciascun buono.=

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d' o r d i n e
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Ten. Col. Umberto de Martino)
[signature]

COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO

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Alla presente si allega il buono N° 5 d'ordine.-

A prelevamento effettuato pregasi restituire a questo Comando le copie N° 3 e 4 di ciascun buono.=

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Ten. Col. Umberto De Martino)

Subject: [illegible] Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. 027 - 16
9 Jul 45

6030

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE
ST
Ord

1. Herewith copy of 1 District letter 10/2706/Q of 6 Jul 45 forwarded to you for action.

2. [illegible] Forms 23 (copies 1 - 5) Voucher No.5 are returned herewith duly countersigned by this HQ.

3. Please submit Copy No.3 to this HQ as soon as possible after the supplies have been drawn.

4. Copies No.3 of Vouchers 2, 3 & 4 for previous maintenance supplies have not yet been received by this HQ. Please expedite rendition if the supplies have been drawn.

5. If these previous maintenance supplies have not yet been drawn, please submit a report to this HQ showing why collection has been so long delayed.

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Lt.Col.
G.S.

SUBJECT :- EFI Supplies for Folgore Group

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1D/2706/Q

53 BLU

6 Jul 45

5832

Ref your letter Q 27-14 of 29 Jun 45.

Arrangements have been made for the toilet articles demanded in the above letter to be available for collection at 32 BIS BOLOGNA. All items less the tooth paste are in stock and may be drawn now. The tooth paste will be ready for collection in 7 days' time.

1571

DA & QMG,
No. 1 District.

GHE
JWS/MRM
Copy to :- EFI

5855

Subject: EFI Supplies for Gruppi.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 15
1 Jul 45

To :- Land Forces Sub.Comm A.C. (MMIA)
R O M E

1. Ref your Q/2/3/1 of 14 Jun 45.

2. Herewith details of EFI Supplies purchased by the I.C.G. FOLGORE during June 45 :-

NIL.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1/5832

Subject: EFI Supplies for Combat Groups.

55 B.L.U.
Ref. 427 - 16
29 Jun 45

To :- H.Q. 1 District
H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE
EFI
Ord

1. Under authority AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) of 27 Sep 44, 126665 of 15 Feb 45 and FX 38094 of 26 Feb 45. Italian Combat Groups are entitled to purchase certain toilet articles from EFI.

2. Procedure for accounting for these supplies is outlined in MEDA Q/2/3/1 of 31 Mar 45.

3. H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE now desires to obtain the articles as shown below which comprise the maintenance issue for July :-

	Voucher No.5 Maint for July RS 9000
Razor Blades	18,000
Tooth Brushes	2,250
Shaving Soap	2,250
Tooth Paste	9,000

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4. It is requested that this HQ be given instructions to arrange collection of a/m supplies.

[signature]
Lt.Col.
G.S.

M40738/1444 350M 11/43 M. Ltd. 51-7553

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

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
			5804

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.

FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin.	Office Date Stamp
	53 BLU.	291200B	

For Action.

MMIA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No. 427-13

O Reference your Q/390 of 27 June O Maintenance supply of E.F.I. toilet articles for month of May for 7020 ORS [illegible] NOT yet drawn O Copy No 3 of [illegible] 23 will be forwarded to you immediately items have been drawn —

1569

Maintenance supply of 2¾ [illegible] toilet articles for month of May for [illegible] groups [illegible]

NOT yet drawn. Copy No 3 of [illegible] 1569

23 will be forwarded to you immediately items have been drawn —

			Time	System	Op.
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.	THI or TOR		
Signed. [illegible]	Signed.		Time Cleared		

R 2640

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INC NR 8236

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

RESTRICTED

INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: MMIA	PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE	TIME DATE GROUP JUNE 271920B
REF. NO. Q/390	CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED	TIME DATE RECD 280725B

TO: 51 BLU : 56 BLU : "F" BLU RTC ICF CESANO : 53 BLU

Q/390 RESTRICTED .

REQUEST YOU SUBMIT URGENTLY EFI FORM MMIA 23 FOR MONTH OF MAY OR NIL RETURN

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COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "FOLGORE"
Ufficio Commissariato

N° 1306 /Comm. di prot. P.M.146 li 20/6/45

OGGETTO: Rifornimenti E.F.I.

AL 53 B.L.U.

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Con riferimento al foglio Q 27-10 del 18 corrente, si trasmette in quintuplice copia, su mod. MEIA 23, l'unita richiesta di generi EFI per il mese di luglio 1945.-

per Il CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE a.p.s.
(Ten.Col. U. De Martino)

- Maggiore L. Dessy -

Dessy

1567

Subject: EFI Supplies - S & T.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 12
23 Jun 45

5679

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Herewith copy of message received from 32 BIS for your action.

2. This HQ letter Q27 - 8 of 14 Jun refers.

3. Please ensure that the 1500 Razors are drawn on MMIA Forms 23 which have already been approved by this HQ.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

COPY

From NCO i/c BIS 32 BOLOGNA 20 Jun 45
To 50 BLU : 53 BLU
Info AC/EFI DISTONE

1566

RESTRICTED (.) B/32/10 (.) Q5 ARMY LETTER 170/1Q DATED 24 May 45 REFERS (.) S & T ITEMS FOR FOLGORE AND FRIULI GRUPPI BEING FORWARDED TO 3 ASP 26/Q45 (.) 1500 RAZORS EACH FOR BOTH LEGNANO AND FOLGORE GRUPPI BEING FORWARDED SAME DAY (.) FORMS S & T 8 REQUIRED (.)

DT 201610 B

Subject: Purchase of Beer.

5? B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 11 5673
22 Jun 45.

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Herewith permit from the Deputy Provincial Commissioner authorising you to purchase beer from Forst's Brewery, MERANO.

2. Please note that you are allowed to purchase up to 1000 litres of beer until the end of this month, after which period a new permit will be issued for July.

Lt.Col. 1565
G.S.

QVRI, TO 50 BLU R 2157

5652

2 JUN 1945

LOAO V LRAR NR 8789/90
QVR 1/2

FROM NCO I/C BIS 32 BOLOGNA 20/6/45
TO 50 BLU : 53 BLU :
INFO AC/EFI DISTONE :
GR -- BT.

5034

RESTRICTED (.) B/32/10(.) Q5 ARMY LETTER 170/1Q DATED 24/5/45
REFERS (.) S AND T ITEMS FOR FOLGORE AND FRUILI F// GRUPPI BEING
FORWARDED TO 3 ASP 26/645 (.) 1500 RAZORS EACH FOR BOTH LEGNANO
AND FOLGORE GRUPPI BEING FORWARDED SAME DAY (.) FORMS S AND T S
REQUIREF(.)

BT 201610 B
CCN- 3 ASP26/6/45
SENT NR 8789/90 AT 1955/20 DM B 1
RECD AT 1955B S B C B2 KKKKK

1564

Ref 1199/Comm. di prot. PM 146 June 18/45.

5625
20 JUN 1945

Subject: Canteen supplies

To: 5 3 B L U

Inf: Folgore Welfare Office

(further to 1187/Comm of same date)

1563

Re. 9272/14 June of the above HQ - 5504 we signal that necessary instructions have been given to the S+T Unit for collection of canteen supplies assigned by 5 Army HQ for the month of June.

We state however that, on the basis of the ration scale fixed by Land Forces Sub Commission 12 (MMIA) ... 135-3 of Apl 24/45 (forwarded to B L U with

Re. Q 272/14 June of the above HQ we signal that necessary instructions have been given to the S+T Unit for collection of canteen supplies as assigned by 5 Army HQ for the month of June.

We state however that, on the basis of the ration scale fixed by Land Forces Sub Commission 12 (MMIA) as per ref Q/1/35-3 of Apl 24/45 (forwarded to B.L.U. with ref 1083/Comm of 26/5/45) there is not shown as allotted for the current month, sugar, tinned meat or fish.

It is evident that without these items it is not possible to make together with the flour & oil sweet cakes or small filled rolls, as is normally done with the canteen supplies; neither is it possible to issue coffee sugarless.

Therefore so that the supplies handed over can be utilized for the reason for which they have been assigned, we request the above HQ to point out the above to the higher authorities concerned so that there may also be handed over for the current month all the canteen supplies as provided by the ration scale laid down as per the letter of Land Forces Sub Commission.

At the same time we think it opportune to signal that the monthly allowance of salt is 15.5 lb and not 5.5 lb as stated in above ref. No

1562

Ref 5735/Bodi fort. — PM 146 June 18/45. 5683

Subject: Request of supplies for mobile canteens

To: 53 B.a.v.

This HQ in order to carry out the task of guarding the frontier assigned it, is organising patrols that must go higher than 2800 & 3000 metres with frequent permanent stations at the post.

1561

In consideration of the above we request the above B.a.v. to ask the 5 Army branch concerned the possibility of a special allotment of cognac & other confections with plenty of sugar content.

[illegible]

patrols that must go higher than 2,200 to 3,000 meters with frequent pernoctations at the post.

1561

In consideration of the above we request the above B.A.V. to ask the 5 Army branch concerned the possibility of a special allotment of cognac & other confections with plenty of sugar content.

How many [illegible]

Subject: EFI Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 10 24
18 Jun 45 5601

To - HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Ref this HQ letter Q1 - 93 of 18 Mar 45.

2. Please submit to this HQ without delay demands for EFI Sups Maintenance for July on MMIA Forms 23 (in quintuplicate) for approval.

Lt. Col. 1560
G.S.

18 JUN 1945
5581

Subject: Accounting for NAAFI Supplies to Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M.I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

14 June 1945

To: OC 50 BLU
OC 51 BLU
OC 52 BLU
OC 53 BLU
OC 56 BLU
OC "F" BLU, RTC ICF CESANO

3805

1. Further to this HQ letter Q/2/3/1 dated 31 March 1945.

1559

2. A consolidated return has to be submitted to the Financial Advisor, AFHQ, stating the total monthly purchases from NAAFI made by the Combat Gps and Rft Centre. It is requested therefore that you submit a NIL return to this HQ if no goods are bought during any one month.

F J Noakes

F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

FJN/le

Copy to:

AFHQ for Q(Maint)
AFHQ for EFI
AFHQ for F.A.
HQ 15 Army Group
CG Fifth Army
CG Fifth Army for Br Incr.
HQ Rear Eighth Army
HQ 1 District
HQ 2 District
HQ 3 District

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PFF/1c

F J Nimmo

F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command
Ministry of War
MMIA LO 5 Army
MMIA LO Br Increment 5 Army
MMIA LO 8 Army
MMIA LO 52 BLU
MMIA LO 53 BLU
Sr MMIA LO

Subject: EFI Supplies for April.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1
15 June 1945

5580
18 JUN 1945
927

To: 53 BLU

5444

Ref this HQ letter Q/2/3/1 of 27 May 45.

May this HQ please be informed whether a reply may now be given to the above quoted letter.

P. P. [illegible]

F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Forwarded 16-6-45

end 5558

1558

Subject: **EFI Supplies to I. .a**	53 B.L.U.
	Ref Q27 - 9
To:- **Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA) R O M E**	16 Jun 45

5558/

1. Ref your Q/2/3/1 dated 27 May 45.

2. EFI Form MMIA 23 is forwarded herewith in support of the EFI account for goods purchased by the Combat Group FOLGORE.

3. Please note that the items were originally drawn on MMIA Form ST8 in error (the original copy of which is also forwarded), and that the MMIA Form 23 is a certified true copy of the original voucher.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1557

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

Subject: Canteen Supplies

To:- H. Combat Group FOLGORE

SF

53 B.L.U.
Ref 27 - 8
14 Jun 45

5504

1. The following SF canteen supplies have been allotted to your Group by 5 US Army for welfare purposes for the month of June:

Flour	1007 lbs
Coffee	251 lbs
Olive oil	335.6 pints
Salt	5.5 salt

2. These supplies will be drawn from Army Supply Point 3 VALLEGGIO on SFS form under S & T arrangements.

Lt.Col.
G.S. 1556

5463

13 JUN 1945

SUBJECT: Canteen Sups - Italian Armed Forces

British Increment (Q Branch)
HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Tele No: LIGHTNING 129

285/1 Q

12 Jun 45

50 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
231 Italian Div

Copy to: G-4 Rear
ST
M I L LO (2)

Ref this HQ letter 170/1 Q dated 24 May.

1. Please alter the reference of the letter to read 285/1 Q.

2. The allocation of canteen sups for the month of Jun is as follows:-

1555

Fmn	Flour	Coffee	Olive Oil	Salt
	lbs	lbs	pints	lbs
HQ 231 Italian Div	2013	502	671.1	56.7
Friuli	1007	251	335.6	5.5
Folgore	1007	251	335.6	5.5
Legnano	1007	251	335.6	5.5
Total	5034	1255	1677.90	75.20

3. Form SF 8 clearly marked "CANTEEN" will be used when indenting for sups - canteen ration items only being entered.

R. Millard

R. MILLARD, Maj

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R. Millard

R. MILLARD, Maj
for Lt Col
AQMG

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RM/JET

S/ A/1

5444

Subject: EFI Supplies for April.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

27 May 1945

To: 53 BLU.

A statement of account has been received from EFI for goods supplied on 5 Apr to the FOLGORE Gp, copy of which is attached. Will you please forward EFI Form MMIA 23 to support this account as soon as possible.

PPF/le

P.P. Fardell
P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Colonel, DAAQMG
M. M. I. A.

Noted. In hand

1554

C O P Y

Form 494 (Short)
(ME-2/43-2M.P.)

Z No. 4003

Date rendered 30-4-45 19__
For supplies
up to ________________ 19__

LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C.
MMIA ROME

IN ACCOUNT
WITH NAVY, ARMY & AIR FORCE INSTITUTES

Space for institute address stamp: E.F.I. HQ. C.M.F.

Description of Account ________________________________

Cheques should be crossed and payable to Navy, Army & Air Force Institutes or to N.A.A.F.I.

12 G.M.A. FOLGORE GRUPPE

April 5	7000 Razors	8d	23 - 6 - 8
	1300 Razors	10d	54 - 3 - 4
	3400 Tooth Brushes	1/2d	198 - 6 - 8
	9386 Shav. Brushes	7½d	293 - 6 - 3 ✓
	37544 Razor Blades	1d	156 - 8 - 8
	18772 Tooth Powder	1/1d	1016 -16 - 4
	4000 Shav Brushes		583 - 6 - 8
			2325 -14 - 7
		10%	232 -11 - 6
			£2093 - 3 - 1

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

5435.

SUBJECT :- Toilet Articles for Gruppi

British Increment (Q Branch)
HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Tele No: LIGHTNING 164

170/1 Q

9 Jun 45.

52 BLU
53 BLU

Copy to :- 32 BIS

1552

1. Advice has been received from AFHQ sig F 09410 dated 7 JUN 45, that 3,000 razors are being fwd from 56 BCD, ANCONA to 32 BIS, BOLOGNA.

2. 1,500 razors are allotted to both LEGNANO and FOLGORE Gruppi.

3. For 32 BIS - please arrange to have these razors available at Army Sup Pt 3, VALEGGIO when your rep calls there on 13 JUN.

K Pascall Capt

K PASCALL, Capt
for Lt Col
AQMG

KP/IEB.

Subject: E.F.I. Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 7
7 Jun 45

5360

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

1. Herewith Vouchers (in quintuplicate) Nos. 2, 3, & 4 of EFI Form MMIA 23 duly approved.

2. Please arrange collection of these items from 32 BIS, Army Roadhead 53, BOLOGNA, according to the procedure outlined in this HQ letter Q14 - 44 dated 7 Apr 45.

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1551

Lt.Col.
G.S.

Subject: Canteen Supplies - Combat Group FOLGORE.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 6
6 Jun 45
5341

To :- Rear HQ 10 Corps

Receipt of draft for 2,830 lire in respect of overpayment for Canteen Supplies by Combat Group FOLGORE is hereby acknowledged.

R

Lt.Col. 550
G.S.

SUBJECT: EFI Sups

British Increment (Q Branch)
HQ Fifth Army
CMF

5262

Tele No: LIGHTNING REAR 164

170/1 Q

PA

Rear HQ 53 BLU

28 May 45

Copy to: EFI

Ref your Q 27-27 dated 23 MAY 45.

1. Att copies (5) of EFI Form MMIA 23 Voucher Nos 2, 3, and 4 are returned to you for countersignature by OC 53 BLU.

2. When completed these forms should be passed direct to 32 BIS, Army Rdhead 53, BOLOGNA for necessary action.

K Pascall Capt

K PASCALL, Capt
for Lt Col
AQMG

1549

KP/JET

5143

Subject: Canteen Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 5
27 May 45

To:- HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

ST

1. The following ST canteen supplies have been allotted to your Group by 5 US Army for welfare purposes:-

Flour	930 lbs
Preserved Meat and Fish	484 lbs
Sugar	383¼lbs
Coffee	232¼lbs
Olive Oil	310 pints
Salt	14¼lbs

2. These supplies will be drawn from Army Supply Point 3 VALEGGIO on STC form under S & T arrangements.

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Lt.Col.
C.S.

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

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5015

MAY 1945

Distone 17 1730

Action: 5 Army

Info: 56 BLU 53 BLU

Copy: 217 Area

Q 42

as FRIULI and FOLGORE no longer under comd this HQ NO action taken to obtain AFHQ sanction for issue on repayment canteen supplies additional to the allotment notified to armies under AAI letter Q 27/3 dated 9 apr and to 53 BLU under 13 corps letter 1001/4/Q dated 8 apr

ST N.K. R

1547

Routine

5003
24 MAY 1945

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

OUTGOING MESSAGE

REF. No.: 4314 CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED DATE: 22 MAY 45

TIME DATE: 221306B PRECEDENCE: IMMEDIATE

ORIGINATING SECTION: MMIA LO BRIT INCR FIFTH ARMY APPROVED: A.M.NEWTON, CAPTAIN

TO: MMIA - ACTION
50 BLU)
53 BLU) - INFO

RESTRICTED PD FIVE LOVE OBOE SLANT FIVE FIVE PD SUBJECT IS CANTEEN RATIONS PD REFERENCE YOUR QUEEN TWO TWO ZERO OF TWO SEVEN APRIL PD THIS ALLOCATION HAS BEEN DIVIDED BETWEEN UNCLE SUGAR ITEM TARE ITEM COMMA BAKER ROGER ITEM TARE ITEM CATEGORY THREE COMMA ITEM TARE ITEM DASH ITEM TARE ITEM AND LEGNANO PD PLEASE INFORM SOONEST ALLOCATION FOR FOIGORE AND FRIULI RECENTLY PASSED UNDER COMMAND FIVE ARMY PAREN FROM MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE LOVE OBOE BRITISH INCREMENT FIFTH ARMY TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE INFORMATION FIVE ZERO BAKER LOVE UNCLE FIVE THREE BAKER LOVE UNCLE PAREN

1546

Subject : EFI Supplies Re Combat Groups.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 27
23 May 45.

4997

To : CG Fifth Army
(attention 'Q' Brit Inc)
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HQ Combat Group FOLGORE
SF
Ord

1. Under authority AFHQ/2594/Q(Maint) of 27 Sep 44, F 26665 of 14 Feb 45 and FX 36001 of 26 Feb 45 Italian Combat Gps are entitled to purchase certain toilet articles from EFI.

2. Procedure for accounting for these supplies is outlined in ESXA Q/2/3/1 of 31 Mar 45.

3. HQ Combat Gp FOLGORE now desires to obtain the articles as shown below, which comprise deficiencies in the initial issue, and maintenance issues for May and June :

Item	Voucher No.2 Initially Deficient	Voucher No.3 Maint for May RI 9730	Voucher No.4 Maint for June RI 9730	Total
Razors	2693	-	-	2693
Razor Blades	-	19460	19460	38920
Tooth Brushes	5906	-	-	5906
Tooth Paste	-	9730	9730	19460
Shaving Brushes	693	-	-	693
Shaving Soap	-	2433	2433	4866

4. Herewith enclosed five copies of EFI Form ESXA 23 Voucher Nos 2, 3 and 4, duly countersigned, covering items demanded as listed in para 3 above.

1545

5. It is requested that this HQ be given instructions to arrange collection of a/m supplies.

Albright Maj. f
Lt. Col.
C.S.

Ref. 1021/ Comm. di prot.   T. M. 146 May 14/40

4886

16 MAY 1940

Subject: E.F.I. issue.

To: 53 B.L.V.

In answer to your telephone request of today's date we forward the following E F I Issue notes (5 copies of each) for:

a) Completing initial issue

b) Request for month of May

c) " " " " June

1544

COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "FOLGORE"
Ufficio Commissariato

N°.1021/Comm. di prot. P.M.146, lì 14 maggio 1945

OGGETTO: Distribuzioni E.F.I.=

AL 53° B. L. U. SUA SEDE
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In esito alla richiesta telefonica odierna si trasmettono i seguenti buoni di prelevamento EFI, in cinque copie, per:

- a)- completare la distribuzione iniziale;
- b)- spettanza mese di maggio;
- c)- spettanza mese di giugno.=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Ten.Col. Umberto De Martino) 1543
U. de Martino

4859

Subject: EFI Supplies f Combat Group FOLGORE

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q27 - 3
14 May 45

To:- 'Q' Rear 10 Corps

1. Reference this HQ letter Q1 - 102 of 27 Apr 45, and Q1 - 103 of 29 Apr 45.

2. This HQ is now in communication with HQ 217 Sub Area re this matter. No further action by you is necessary.

3. New EFI demand vouchers have been made out. Please destroy vouchers submitted to you.

1542

Lt.Col.
G.S.

(1)

File : 2706/1

MESSAGE FORM

Call : Srl No : Priority : Transmission Instructions

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FROM	Originator Distone	Date-Time Of Origin. 09 1800	Office Date Stamp
TO	ACTION : 53 BLU COPY : ST	ST MR AC	Message Instrns GR

Originators No.

Q 47

RESTRICTED (.) ref your AQ/Q27-2 of 8 May subject canteen supplies (.) scale laid down in 13 Corps 1001/4/Q dated 8 Apr cannot be exceeded

Seen 10/9.1 [illegible]

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Sgd. [signature] Capt	Sgd.	

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4830

SUBJECT : Canteen Sups - ITALIAN Personnel

REAR HQ 50 BLU

Q/5/14

11 May 45

1 District
rptd : REAR HQ EIGHTH Army Q
53 BLU

The following letter regarding the issue of canteen sups has been put up by FRIULI ICG, and is forwarded for your consideration.

" As soon as the FRIULI ICG ceased to be under comd of 10 CORPS, the same trouble as previously experienced during change of comd has been found, i.e. issue of rations for the preparation of tea and cakes which is so much to the liking of my soldiers, has been stopped.

This cannot help but have a damaging effect on the efficiency of the Welfare services, to which the Higher Allied Authority gives such importance, and also on the activities of the Mobile and Static Canteens, which deprived of these commodities, have very little else to offer to the tps.

I should therefore be obliged if the BLU would take the necessary steps to ensure that the issue inquestion is restarted with the least possible delay, and regularly maintained.

(sgd) Arturo Scattini Maj Gen
GOC "

14 MAY 1945

1540

Maj
DAA and QMG

C F
JDM/SYB

[illegible]

SUBJECT :- Welfare - Br-Itis

1D/2706/1/Q
14 May 45

4868
15 MAY 1945

53 BLU ✓

Ref conversation GIBB - GREEN of even date.

Herewith copy of HQ 13 Corps letter 1001/4/Q dated 8 Apr 45 as requested.

CMF
JG/KJM

[signature] Capt
DA & QMG,
No. 1 District.

1539

COPY

SUBJECT :- Welfare - Br-Itis

Rear HQ 13 Corps
1001/4/Q
8 Apr 45

53 HLU
HQ 417 Italian Lab Regt
ST
Welfare
CCA

Copy to :- 52 HLU
HQ 46 Gp Pnr Corps
HQ 55 Gp Pnr Corps
Camp 127 FMC
HQ 23 CC FMA
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1. Authority has been received for issue of canteen sups to Italian clubs and canteens.

2. It has been ruled that sups for these canteens will be provided from the sav-ing on the ration scale caused by Italian personnel on leave not drawing rations. HQ Fifth (US) Army and MMIA have agreed that for this purpose the total personnel on leave at any one time shall be accepted as being 5%.

3. (a) Locations of canteens in 13 Corps area, and responsibility for organisation thereof and allotment of rations will be as under :-

CASTEL DEL RIO	-	FOLGORE Gp	- 675 rations daily
BORGO SAN LORENZO	-	HQ 417 Italian Lab Regt	- 245 rations daily

(b) Necessary assistance in siting and est of these canteens will be given by DADAWS 13 Corps.

(c) Allotment of rations may be varied by this HQ to conform with future redistribution of troops.

4. Scale of issue of canteen sups per 100 men per day is as under :-

1538

(a) from the ration element provided from Allied sources :-

Flour	12 lbs
Fish or preserved meat	6¼ lbs
Sugar	4½ lbs
Coffee	3 lbs

(b) from the ration element provided from Italian sources :-

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(b) from the ration element provided from Italian sources :-

Olive Oil	4 pints
Salt	3 ozs

5. Corps Catering Adviser is available for advice on economical preparation of canteen items from these rations.

6. Issues for canteens will be made through normal channels as for rations, but will be shown separately on all demands and indents. The cost of sups will be a charge against the Italian Government.

7. Detailed accounting procedure for issues to canteens are to be notified separately by Brit Inc Fifth Army through ST channels.

8. Mobile canteens are expected shortly for which separate instrs will be issued. Their arrival will not however permit an increased issue of rations and they will therefore be based on static canteens now to be organised.

(Signed) ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?
Brigadier,
DA ' QMG.

M4073B/1444 350M 11/43 M. Ltd. 51-7353

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin.
	Maj Gth 33 Div	08 1435

For Action.

TO Maj Frampton DAQMG 1 District

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. | GR

Originator's No. 14 a 27-2

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9 Apr [illegible] [illegible]

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Subject: EFI Supplies for Italian Combat Groups.

53 B.L.U.

Ref. Q1 - 103

29 Apr 45

4654

30 APR 1945

To :- Q Rear HQ 10 Corps .

HQ Combat Group FOLGORE (covering letter only)

1. Further to this HQ letter ref Q1 - 102 of 27 Apr and telephone conversation your Staff Captain Q and DAA & QMG this HQ of this morning.

2. Herewith five copies of EFI Form MEXA 23 Vouchers No. 2 and 3 as requested.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1536

[redacted]

46 45
30 APR 1945

Subject:- [illegible] Supplies for Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.F.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/5/11

28 April 45.

50 B.L.U.

— No COPY

Reference your [illegible]/5/11 dated 23 Apr/45.

The return called for in our letter AQ/[illegible]/3 dated [illegible] Dec/44 is cancelled. Under the new accounting procedure all necessary information is consolidated on [illegible] Form [illegible] 23.

P. P. Fandell
P. P. FANDELL, [illegible]
for Major General,
[illegible]

Copy to:- 51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
"F" BLU

1535

PPF/ab

Subject: EFI Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q27 - 1
29 Apr 45

4637

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

Herewith, copy of MMIA letter Q/2/3 dated 26 Apr 45 passed to for information.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1534

Subject: EFI Supplies

To:- "F" BLU, RTC ICF

Land Forces Sub Commission
(MMIA) ROME
Q/2/3

26 April 45

Reference your letter AQ/4/2/310 dated 13 Apr 45.

1. Authority is given by AFHQ under their reference AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 21 Apr 45 for an initial issue on repayment of 15,000 sticks of shaving soap and a maintenance issue thereafter of 3,000 sticks per month. These will be obtained in the usual manner through EFI on EFI Form MMIA 23.

2. This will ensure that each man is provided with a stick of shaving soap before he is posted to a Combat Group. On arrival at the Combat Group he will be eligible for the authorised issue of one stick every four months. BLUs will instruct Groups to ensure that men posted to them from the RTC do not obtain a maintenance issue until four months after the date of their reporting at the RTC.

(Signed) ??????????????
for Colonel, DA&QMG
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- AFHQ for Q(Maint)
50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
Welfare, MMIA

1533

4614
28 APR 1945

Subject: NFI Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

26 April 1945

To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CD/52/FA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of March 45 is as follows:

		£	s.	d.
(a)	FRIULI Gp	1,363	19	8
(b)	CREMONA Gp	1,695	12	10
(c)	LEGNANO Gp	1,962	3	9
(d)	FOLGORE Gp	NIL		
(e)	MANTOVA Gp	NIL		
(f)	RTC ICF	NIL		
	TOTAL	£ 5,021	16	3

P. P. Fardell

PPF/le

P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

30 APR 1945
1532

Copy to: 50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
"F" BLU, RTC ICF
Welfare, MMIA

4611
28 APR 1945

Subject: EFI Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3

26 April 1945

To: "F" BLU, RTC ICF

Reference your letter AQ/4/2/310 dated 13 Apr 45.

1. Authority is given by AFHQ under their reference AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 21 Apr 45 for an initial issue on repayment of 15,000 sticks of shaving soap and a maintenance issue thereafter of 3,000 sticks per month. These will be obtained in the usual manner through EFI on EFI Form MMIA 23.

2. This will ensure that each man is provided with a stick of shaving soap before he is posted to a Combat Group. On arrival at the Combat Group he will be eligible for the authorised issue of one stick every four months. BLUs will instruct Groups to ensure that men posted to them from the RTC do not obtain a maintenance issue until 4 months after the date of their reporting at the RTC.

P. P. Fardell
P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Colonel, DA&QMG
M. M. I. A.

PPF/le

Copy to: AFHQ for Q(Maint)
50 BLU)
51 BLU)
52 BLU) Please instruct ICG in accordance para 2.
53 BLU)
56 BLU)
Welfare, MMIA.

1531

Subject: NAAFI Supplies to Combat Group FOLGORE.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Qi - 102
27 Apr 45

4597

:- Q Rear 10 Corps

H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE .
92
Cmd

1. Ref this HQ letter Qi - 101 dated 17 Apr 45 and Unit Inter (Q) 5th Army's reply 170/1 Q dated 22 Apr 45.

2. HQ Combat Group FOLGORE now desire to obtain the articles as shown below, which comprise the deficiency in the initial issue (~~word~~ a/l letters refer) and in addition the maint issue for May as per AFHQ letter Q/2/3 dated 19 Mar 45.

Item	Def.	Maint for May (R S 9730)	Total
Razors	2693		2,693
Razor Blades		19,460	19,460
Tooth Brushes	5986		5,986
Tooth Paste		9,730	9,730
Shaving Brushes	693		693
Shaving Soap		2,433	2,433

3. It is requested that this HQ be given instructions to arrange collection of the a/m supplies.

1530

[signature] Maj. for
Lt. Col.
G.S.

[redacted]

PA

4571

27 APR 1945

COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "FOLGORE"
Ufficio Commissariato

N°.891/Comm. di prot. P.M.146, lì 26 aprile 1945

OGGETTO: Distribuzioni EFI.=

AL 53° B. L. U. SUA SEDE

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In ottemperanza a quanto prescritto con nota Q14-44 del 7 aprile c.a. si trasmettono le accluse richieste di articoli da toeletta per:

-a)- completare la distribuzione iniziale;

-b)- spettanza mese di maggio.-

Le richieste suddette sono state compilate in cinque copie sul prescritto modello.=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Ten. Col. Umberto De Martino)

U Martino

COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO FOLGORE

1529

Subject: Issue E F I

To 53 B L U

3984 44

Replying to your ref. Q 14-44 of Apl 7th we forward requirements of toilet articles for:

a) - completion of initial issues
b) - distribution for the month of May.

Requests have been made in quintuplicate on the pro formal prov.

BEST COPY POSSIBLE

55 B.L.U.
Ref. GA - 105.
26 Apr 45.

4560

Sub : Unit Canteens.

HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

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ST

1. As a purely temporary measure while under 10 Corps in this area it has been possible to arrange for your Gp to purchase certain commodities to be used to establish unit canteens and to run the mobile canteen shortly to be assigned to your Gp.

2. The following commodities can be purchased in the quantities shown per week per 500 men :

Tea	8 lbs	Marmalade	5 lbs
Sugar	220 lbs	Flour	375 lbs
Milk	49½ lbs	Salt	1 lbs
Margarine	110 lbs	Egg powder	20 lbs
Baking powder	5 lbs	Dried fruit	28½ lbs
Jam	15 lbs	Coffee	23 lbs

3. Payment for the above will be made in cash to Welfare Officer 10 Corps and must be made within 24 hrs after the a/c has been rendered.

4. This concession has been obtained by this HQ and the prompt payment of the a/c has been made a condition of its continuance. If this condition is not observed the whole scheme will be cancelled immediately.

5. In addition the following items can be purchased out of the 20 lire a a man a day authorised to be expended :

1 oz F Meat)
5 oz Flour) Total cost - 2.695 lire

These items will be purchased weekly on Sundays.

1528

6. The balance of the 20 lire a man a day can be expended by you on any commodity other than those already supplied in the daily ration.

7. Please arrange all details of the above purchases with ST this HQ.

Lt. Col.
G.S.

4479
24 APR 1945

Subject:- EFI Sups

Brit Increment (Q Branch)
HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Tele No: Lightning Rear 164

170/1 Q

22 Apr 45

HQ 53 BLU

Copy to:- Rear 10 Corps 'Q'

4341

Ref your Q1 - 101 dated 17 Apr 45.

1. AC/EFI this HQ states that ample stocks of tooth brushes and shaving brushes are held to meet requirements of Italian Gruppi.

2. Razors have now been released by Ord to EFI and on arrival from base, issues will be made to cover deficiencies.

K Pascall Capt

K PASCALL, Capt
for Col
DA & QMG

KP/J.

1527

P.A.

ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 10

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FROM	REAR 10 CORPS	190910B

Office Date Stamp: 19 APR 1945

For Action

TO: 5 ARMY

(W) For Information (INFO)

53 BLU

Message Instructions	GR
QQX	13

Originator's No.

Q 585 @ restricted @ kindly accept action on 53 BLU QI-101 of 17 apr 45.

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4341

: EFI Supplies.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q1 - 101
17 Apr 45

To : CG 5 Army (attention G-4 Brit Incr)
Q 10 Corps
Q 13 Corps

1. The following deficiencies exist in the initial issue of EFI supplies to Combat Group FOLGORE as per MMIA letter Q/2/3 dated 19 Mar 45

Razors	2593
Tooth Brushes	5986
Shaving Brushes	693

2. It is requested that these deficiencies be made good as soon as possible.

1525

Lt.Col.
G.S.

4331

Subject: EFI Supplies - Italians.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q1 - 100
17 Apr 45

To :- Combat Group FOLGORE

1. This HQ has been informed by higher authority that it is not possible to take accounting action on attached ST/8 Form.

2. Please have this issue recorded on MMIA Form ST/23 in accordance with the procedure laid down in this HQ Q14 - 44 dated 7 Apr 45.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

1524

4294
10 APR 1945

SUBJECT: EFI Supplies - Italians

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/1/29-102
13 April 1945

TO : 53 BLU

4022

1. Reference your Q4-89 of 8 April and the attached ST/8.

3805/41

2. In terms of MMIA Q/2/3/1 of 31 Mar. 45, issues of EFI supplies to Italian Units should be made on MMIA Form ST/23.

3. As it is not possible to take accounting action on the attached ST/8 Form, please have this issue recorded on ST/23 forms and submit to this HQ as laid down in Q/2/3/1.

R.T.M. WAREHAM, Major
for DA & QMG
M. M. I. A.

1523

RTMW/ri
1 Incl. - MMIA Form ST/8

S/C Act

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53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q4 - 98
15 Apr 45

Subject: Purchase of Supplementary Rations.

To :- H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

SP

Ref your 1276/Serv dated 12 Apr.

Permission has now been granted by higher authority for the whole 20 lire per head to be spent on local purchase by the Group under your command.

[signature] Capt
Lt. Sec.
G.S.

1522

[redacted]

1. 1276/ Serv. di prot.   P.M. 14. Apl. 12/45.

4198

Subject: Purchase of supplementary ration.

To : 5 3 B.L.U.

3680

According to what was signalled by B.L.U. on Ref. AG/94-71 of Mar. 30th, this H.Q. has instructed that all units spend only 10 lire of the 20 lire provided for ration supplements w.e.f. April 1st. and that they save the remaining 10 lire to meet any expenses caused by any eventual supply of goods from the Allied authorities.

1521

Since up till today there has not been received any more news about this matter, we must point out that the question of employment of the supplementary ration fund is of a very urgent nature, in so much as, due to the price of commodities, with the ten lire at present available the units are not able to provide an adequate supplementary ration

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MESSAGE FORM

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S.3 BLU	12 2230B

For Action

TO HQ Combat Gp FOLGORE

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE STAMP

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No.

A/Q/66-060 Ref your 1159/SA [illegible]
of EFI supplies [illegible] Italian [illegible]
will be [illegible] British [illegible]
in Italian [illegible] will [illegible]
My Q14-44 of 7 April refers

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SIGNED [illegible signature]

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TRANSLATION.

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Very Urgent

From: Folgore Combat Group
To: 53 B.I.U.

Ref 1159/S.M. di prot.
We request you to confirm if razor blades, toothpaste, shaving soap and brushes recently issued are understood to be gratis or otherwise.

Castemaggiore di Martino

2048/Q4

Subject : Welfare Cante...

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q4 - 92
8 Apr 45

To : HQ Combat Group FOLGORE
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ST

1. Authority has been given for issue of canteen supplies to your Gp under Rear HQ 13 Corps letter 1001/4/Q of 8 Apr.

2. The scale of issues per day for this purpose will be as follows :

(a) From British sources

Flour	81 lbs
Fish or preserved meat	42.1875 lbs
Sugar	30.375 lbs
Coffee	20.25 lbs

(b) From Italian sources

Olive oil	27 pints
Salt	20.25 ozs

3. The above issues will be made through normal channels as for rations but will be shown separately on all demands and indents. The cost of the supplies will be a charge against the Italian Government.

4. Detailed accounting procedure for issues are to be notified separately through ST channels.

5. Mobile canteens are expected shortly for which separate instructions will be issued. Their arrival will not however permit an increased issue of rations and they will therefore be based on static canteens now to be organised.

6. Necessary assistance in siting and est of these canteens will be given by DADAWS 13 Corps. Corps Catering Advisor is available for advice on economical preparation of canteen items from these rations.

G. H. Brown (signature)

Lt. Col.
G.S.

1519

Subject: RFI Supplies - Ital [illegible]ns

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

53 B.L.U. 4022
Ref Q4 - 59
8 April 45

Herewith receipt in respect of RFI supplies issued to Combat Group [illegible] 1518
on 5 April 45.

E. J. Miller Capt
Lt.Col.
GSO.

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

Army Form C348
(Lifts of 100 in duplicate)

[ME]MORANDUM

[illegible] APR 1945 4001/Q4

From	To
S+T	Q' 53 Div.
53 Div.	

Date 5/4/45 19

Please find attached receipt for items drawn from [illegible] on 5/4/45 for [illegible] Groups.

[illegible] 2,000 4.65
[illegible] 3400 [illegible]
[illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ 4000 [illegible]
[illegible] 1386 ✓
[illegible] 37944 ✓
[illegible] 18773 ✓

[illegible]
Major
RASC

1517

Subject: EFI Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref ~~434~~ - 44
7 April 45

HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

41 EIS BORGO SAN LORENZO

Q4

1. In order to simplify the present system of supplying and accounting for NAAFI goods available to Combat Group the following procedure will be adopted forthwith.

2. HQ Combat Group will make a consolidated demand in quintuplicate on 41 EIS BORGO SAN LORENZO 14 days in advance on the attached pro-forma. This demand will be signed by the OC Group and countersigned by this HQ as a guarantee that it is within authorised scales.

3. When the Group draws its monthly quota 41 EIS will fill in columns (c) and (d) according to availability and issue the goods to the officer nominated by the Gp to collect and the proforma completed with the necessary signatures. The copies will be disposed of as follows

No.1 Copy - retained by 41 EIS
No.2 Copy - forwarded by 41 EIS to HQ EFI
No.3 Copy - passed by Gp to this HQ for onward transmission to MMIA.
No.4 Copy - passed by Gp to Ministry of War
No.5 Copy - retained by Gp

4. Payment will be made by Ministry of War direct to HQ EFI. The method by which the Ministry of War exacts payment from lower formations is purely an Italian Military affair.

5. It is repeated that all EFI goods supplied must be drawn by an officer and at the dates and times notified by this HQ.

6. Copies of the necessary pro formas are attached.

[signature] 1516
Lt.Col.
G.S.

41 EIS: Copy of pro-forma referred to above is enclosed.

3939

6 APR 1945

Subject: Accounting for NAAFI Supplies for Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

31 Mar 1945

To: OC 50 BLU
OC 51 BLU
OC 52 BLU
OC 53 BLU
OC 56 BLU
OC "F" BLU, RTC ICF CASANO

1. Reference this HQ letter Q/2/3 dated 19 Mar 45, para 3.

2. In order to simplify the present system of supplying and accounting for NAAFI goods available to Combat Groups and also to avoid causing unnecessary work for the BLUs, AFHQ have agreed that the following procedure will be adopted forthwith. Authority is AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 21 Mar 45.

(a) Each Gp (or its equivalent) makes a consolidated demand in quintuplicate on the appropriate BIS 14 days in advance on the proforma attached. This demand to be signed by OC Gp and countersigned by the BLU, as a guarantee that it is within authorised scales.

(b) When the Gp draws its monthly quota the BIS will fill in columns (c) and (d), according to availability, and issue the goods to the representative of the Gp and the proforma will be completed with the necessary signatures. The copies will then be disposed of as follows:-

No. 1 copy retained by BIS.
No. 2 copy forwarded by BIS to HQ EFI.
No. 3 copy passed by Gp to OC BLU for onward transmission to MMIA.
No. 4 copy passed by Gp to Ministry of War.
No. 5 copy retained by Gp.

(c) HQ EFI collates acceptance notes monthly and makes a demand for NAAFI goods available to Combat Groups and also to avoid causing unnecessary work for the BLUs, AFHQ have agreed that the following procedure will be adopted forthwith. Authority is AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 21 Mar 45.

(a) Each Gp (or its equivalent) makes a consolidated demand in quintuplicate on the appropriate BIS 14 days in advance on the proforma attached. This demand to be signed by OC Gp and countersigned by the BLU, as a guarantee that it is within authorised scales.

(b) When the Gp draws its monthly quota the BIS will fill in columns (c) and (d), according to availability, and issue the goods to the representative of the Gp and the proforma will be completed with the necessary signatures. The copies will then be disposed of as follows:-

No. 1 copy retained by BIS.
No. 2 copy forwarded by BIS to HQ EFI.
No. 3 copy passed by Gp to OC BLU for onward transmission to MMIA.
No. 4 copy passed by Gp to Ministry of War.
No. 5 copy retained by Gp.

(c) HQ EFI collates acceptance notes monthly and makes a demand for payment on the Ministry of War through MMIA, quoting relevant voucher numbers.

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(d) Ministry of War pays EFI by cheque through MMIA.

(e) HQ EFI send receipt through MMIA to Ministry of War.

5. It will therefore be seen from the above that the only action required on the part of the BLUs is

(a) for them to certify that the indent is within authorised scales and
(b) to ensure that the third copy is returned to them by the Gp and is forwarded to this HQ without delay.

F. J. Noakes

F. J. NOAKES, ~~Col.~~
for ~~Major~~ General,
M. M. I. A.

FJN/ie

Copy to:
(see over)

Copy to:

AFHQ for Q(Maint)
AFHQ for EPI
AFHQ for F.A.
HQ 15 Army Group
CG Fifth Army
CG Fifth Army for Br Incr.
HQ Rear Eighth Army
HQ 1 District
HQ 2 District
HQ 3 District
Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command.
Ministry of War
MMIA LO 5 Army)
MMIA LO Br Incr 5 Army)
MMIA LO 8 Army) With copy of Q/2/3 of 19 Mar 45.
MMIA LO 52 DLU)
MMIA LO 53 DLU)
Sr MMIA LO)

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FROM (A)	53 British Liaison Unit	021030 B

For Action

TO M M I A

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR —

Originator's No.

AQ/Q1-99 O Restricted O Ref your AQ/2/3 of 22 Dec xx O EFI supplies to Combat Group FONGORE O NIL return

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SIGNED [signature]

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FROM (A) Originator: 53 BLU

Date-Time of Origin: 01 1125 A

For Action.

HQ COMBAT GP FOLGORE

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

ST ORD

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No.

AQ-Q1-98 Ref this HQ Q1-97 copy to Combat Gp the following EFI supplies are now available for collection at 41 BIS BORGO S LORENZO O Razors 1700 Tooth Brushes 3400 Shaving Brushes 4400 together with full maintenance issue for March and April as laid down in a/m letter of Shaving Soap Razor Blades and Tooth paste ie Shaving Soap 9386 Razor Blades 37544 Tooth paste 18772 O Drawings will be from 41 BIS 1400 hrs Apr 2 OA responsible Italian officer will sign for these articles two copies of receipt to this HQ for onward transmission to ITMIA

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AG-41-48 Ref ltr HQ Q1·97 copy to Combat·Gp the following
EFI supplies are now available for collection at 41 BIS
BORGO S LORENZO ⊙ Razors 1700 Tooth Brushes 3400
Shaving Brushes 4400 together with full maintenance
issue for March and April as laid down in a/m letter
of Shaving Soap Razor Blades and Toothpaste ie Shaving
Soap 9386 Razor Blades 37544 Toothpaste 18772 ⊙
Drawings will be from 41 BIS 1400 hrs Apr 2 ⊙ a responsible
Italian officer will sign for these articles two copies of receipt
to this HQ for onward transmission to MMIA

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-3 APR 1945

Subject: EFI Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

31 Mar 1945

To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CD/52/FA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of EFI goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of Feb 45 is as follows:-

		£	s.	d.
(a)	FRIULI Gp	432	10	0
(b)	CREMONA Gp..........................		NIL	
(c)	LEGNANO Gp..........................		NIL	
(d)	FOLGORE Gp..........................		NIL	
(e)	MANTOVA Gp..........................	1277	2	0
(f)	RTC ICF		NIL	
	TOTAL	£ 1709	- 12	- 0

P. P. Fardell
P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

PPF/le

Copy to: 50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
"F" BLU

Welfare MMIA

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2 APR 1945

3 APR 1945

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MESSAGE FORM

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Office Date Stamp — 3 APR 1945

FROM (A) Originator: Rear 13 Corps

Date-Time of Origin: 031340

For Action: 53 BLU DO EFI. 40 BIS

TO (W) For Information (INFO): 41 BIS

Message Instructions.

GR 45

Originator's No. Q525 restricted ⊙ confirmation ⊙ one ⊙
folgore gp will draw EFI sups detailed
my 1001/4/Q of 31 mar para 1 exc 41 BIS
am 5 apr ⊙ two ⊙ 53 BLU will ensure respons-
ible english speaking offr supervises issue
⊙ three ⊙ DO EFI will forward summary of
issues made soonest after am 5 Apr to Q Rear
Corps

1511

Q 23 restricted ⊙ confirmation ⊙ one ⊙

folgore gp will draw EFI sups detailed my 1001/4/Q of 31 mar para 1 exc 41 BIS am 5 apr ⊙ two ⊙ 53 BLU will ensure responsible english speaking offr supervises issue ⊙ three ⊙ DDO EFI will forward summary of issues made soonest after am 5 Apr to Q Rear Corps

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Signed.

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

Signed.

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-1 APR 1945

SUBJECT: EFI Sups - FOLGORE Gp.

Rear HQ 13 Corps
1001/4/Q

31 Mar 45.

53 BLU

Copy to: Q Brit Increment
Rear Fifth Army
DO EFI 40 BIS
41 BIS

3594.

Ref Q1 - 97 dated 27 Mar 45 not to all and conversation MILLER - HERVEY of 31 Mar 45.

1. EFI items as detailed in coln (d) of Appx "A" attached are now available at 41 BIS BORGO SAN LORENZO, and will be issued on application.

2. Outstanding deficiency as shown in coln (e) to this Appx will be made good as and when stocks now due in from Base are received. Availability will be notified by this HQ.

3. Q Brit Inc Rear Fifth Army are requested to ensure that highest priority is given to move forward of items required to complete this demand.

Charles Hervey Capt
for Brigadier,
DA & QMG.

Appendix "A" to

2. Outstanding deficiency as shown in coln (e) to this Appx will be made good as and when stocks now due in from Base are received. Availability will be notified by this HQ.

3. Q Brit Inc Rear Fifth Army are requested to ensure that highest priority is given to move forward of items required to complete this demand.

Charles Seavey
for Brigadier, Capt
DA & QMG.

Appendix "A" to
13 Corps 1001/4/Q
dated 31 Mar 45.

1510

EFI Sups - FOLGORE Gp

Serial (a)	Item (b)	Total Demanded (c)	Now Available (d)	Deficiency (e)	Remarks (f)
1	Razors	4,693	1,700	2,993	
2	Razor blades	37,544	37,544	-	
3	Tooth brushes	9,386	3;400	5,986	
4	Shaving brushes	4,693	4,400	293	
5	Toothpaste	18,772	18,772	-	
6	Shaving soap	9,386	9,386	-	

[redacted]

3594.

Subject: N.A.A.F.I. Supplies to Combat Gp FOLGORE.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. 04 - 97
27 Mar 45

To :- Q Rear 13 Corps

H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE
SS
Cml

1. Under authority AFHQ/2534/Q(Maint) of 27 Sep 44, F 26665 of 14 Feb and FX 31094 of 26 Feb 45, certain NAAFI supplies can be purchased by Italian Combat Groups.

2. Combat Group FOLGORE has made no previous purchases of the NAAFI supplies in question.

3. This Combat Group now wishes to obtain the articles as shown below, including an initial issue of these supplies and the maintenance issues for both March and April.

	Initial Issue	Maintenance issue for March	Maintenance issue for April	TOTAL.
Razors	4603			4603
Razor Blades		18,772	18,772	37544
Tooth Brushes	9386			9386
Shaving Brushes	4603			4603
Toothpaste		9386	9386	18772
Shaving Soap			9386	9386

4. It is requested that this HQ be given instructions to arrange collection of these a/m supplies. In accordance with the a/m AFHQ letter of 27 Sep 44 this HQ will give a bulk receipt for all NAAFI goods received. 150

Lt.Col.
G.S.

843/S.M. di prot   P.M. 146 Mar 25/45.

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28 MAR

Subject Toilet articles

1) The complete requirements of toilet articles for units & auxiliary units attached to the Combat Group for ~~primary~~ initial issue and for the first issue relative to the month of April are:

Article	Initial issue	Issue for April
Razors	9386 4693	
Blades	9386 4693	18,772
Tooth Brushes	9386	

for the first issue relative to the month of April are:

Article	Initial issue		Issue for April
Razors	9386 4693		
Blades	9386 4693		18,772
Tooth Brushes	9386 ✓		✓
Shaving "	4693 ✓		
Tooth Paste	4693 ✓		4693 9386
Shaving soap	4693 ✓		

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2) The Commissariat (supplies) office will issue the toilet requisites above, taking into account, as a basis, the present strength of the units on 25.th Mar.

proper file copy

Subject: NAAFI Supplies

53 B.L.U.
Ref Q4 - 62
26 Mar 45

3546

To:- Q Rear 13 Corps

1. Herewith copy of Combat Group FOLGORE letter 5077/Ass of 25 Mar 45.

2. In the event of it being found impossible to accede to the Group Commander's request may the provision of such supplies to Up hospitals for the benefit of sick and wounded personnel be considered.

Lt.Col.
D.A.

C O P Y

HQ COMBAT GROUP FOLGORE

TRANSLATION

5077/Ass

25 Mar 45

Subject: Extra Rations for Easter Festival

To:- 13 Corps (via 53 BLU)

On the occasion of the approaching Easter Festival, which is near, it would be our intense desire to give every soldier of this Combat Group extra confectionery rations.

We therefore ask the BLU to arrange for the authorisation for purchasing the u/m commodities from a British Depot:

Chocolate
Jam
Biscuits
Cigarettes

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in a sufficient quantity for one issue.

(Signed) Giorgio Morigi
Group Commander.

M40738/1448 350M 11/43 M. Ltd. 51-7551

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

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FROM (A) Originator: 53 BLU

Date-Time of Origin: 261145A

Office Date Stamp

For Action.

TO HQ Comdt [illegible] Group Folgore

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. | GR

Originator's No. AQ/QI-96

Restricted. Ref this HQ letter QI-93 of 15 Mar [illegible] [illegible] extent demand, if required, referred to in para 2 of above letter to this HQ [illegible]

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3470
2 - MAR 1945

Subject: EFI Sups for Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3

19 Mar 1945

AFHQ
15 Army Group
HQ Fifth Army
HQ Fifth Army Br Incr
Rear HQ Eighth Army
HQ 1 District
HQ 2 District
HQ 3 District
Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command

50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
"F" BLU, RTC ICF CESANO

1. All previous authorisations by AFHQ for the supply of EFI items are consolidated as under.

2. The five Italian Combat Groups, FRUILI, CREMONA, LEGNANO, FOLGORE, MANTOVA and the RTC ICF at CESANO may obtain toilet articles from EFI on the following scale:-

Authority	Item	Initial Issue	Maintenance
AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 27 Sep 44 and F26665 dated 14 Feb 1945.	Razors	1 per 2 men	NIL
	Razor Blades	-	2 per 1 month
	Tooth Brushes	1 per man	1 per 4 months
	Shaving Brushes	1 per 2 men	NIL
FX34091 dated 26 Feb 1945	Toothpaste	-	1 tube per month
	Shaving Soap	-	1 stick per 4 months

3. The system for accounting for these supplies is at present under discussion at AFHQ but pending a ruling the original system as laid down in AFHQ letter AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 27 Sep 44 will continue to operate.

1134 (BACK OF LETTER)

1505

R A Curties

R. A. CURTIES, Lt. Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

PPF/lc

24 MAR 1945

Copy to: Ministry of War.

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2 [illegible] 45

BJECT :- Maint - BR-ITIS

- Rear HQ 13 Corps
1001/2/Q

19 Mar 45

Q Main 10 Ind Inf Div	RA
53 BLU	RE
16 AGRE	CSO
CRE 13 C Tps	A
13 Corps Sigs	ST
23 CC FMA	Med
Camp 127 FMC	Ord
HQ 46 Gp Pnr Corps	EME
HQ 55 Gp Pnr Corps	Pro
	40 BIS (2) (One for Lieut WILLIAMS).
	41 BIS

1. This letter is issued to clarify the posn with regard to certain sups concerning BR-ITIS.

RATIONS

2. Under MMIA letter AQ/2-53 dated 18 Feb the previous ration scale for BR-ITIS was cancelled and the following introduced wef 20 Feb :-

(a) From Brit Army stocks

	Per man per day
Flour	15 ozs
Dried Vegetables	2 "
Meat Canned or Fish Preserved	3 "
Cheese	1 oz
Sugar	1 "
Macaroni	3 ozs
Rice	1 oz
Vegetables Dehydrated	1 "
Catsup or Tomato Paste	1/2 "
Coffee	1/2 "
Pepper	1/200"

From Italian War Ministry stocks

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Coffee	½ "
Pepper	1/200 "

From Italian War Ministry stocks

Fruit Fresh		4 "
Vegetables Fresh		8 "
Olive Oil		1½ "
•Nuts Shelled, or	1 oz	~~2 "~~
Nuts Unshelled	2 ozs	
Salt		½ oz
Wine		½ litre
Matches		1 box or 2 books weekly.

1504

(b) Wef 1 Apr 45 units drawing the Brit portion of the ration from DIDs are instructed to draw the 4 ozs Fruit and 8 ozs Fresh Vegetables also from DIDs under MMIA form ST8.

(c) As an emergency measure until 1 Apr 45 only, an additional issue of 3 ozs flour and 1 oz Preserved Meat to all tps fwd of Army rear bdy is authorised. This addition will be known as the 'Combat Increment' and will not be shown on MMIA Form ST 8. The issue will however be shown on loading lists, be signed for, and pass through Accounts records in the normal manner. The foregoing instrs to date back from 1 Mar 45.

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3. The above ration scale is now effective.

CIGARETTES

4. (a) Free Issue

The scale is 5 cigarettes per man per day for all tps of all categories and is issued through DIDs.

(b) Additional Free Issue

An additional free issue of 5 cigarettes per man per day was authorised wef 7 Mar and is applicable to all Combat Gps wherever located and all BR-ITIS fwd of Army rear bdy. This issue is made by arrangements HQ 231 Div.

(c) Repayment Cigarettes

The Italian Government sup certain quantities of cigarettes for issue through HQ 231 Div on repayment. The scale of provision is 5 per man per day as far as sups will permit. Responsibility for obtaining payment from the tps rests with the Italian mil authorities.

EFI

5. EFI scale of issue to BR-ITIS in Combat Gps is as under :-

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Toothbrushes	1	1 per 4 months
Shaving brushes	1 per 2 men	Nil
Toothpaste	-	1 tube per month
Shaving Soap	-	1 stick per 4 months

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6. 53 BLU will submit consolidated demands to 41 BIS to whom bulk receipts will be given for goods received, these receipts constituting the EFI certificate of issue.

7. 53 BLU will obtain receipts for all articles - which are issued on credit - from the responsible Italian offr and then fwd such receipts to MMIA LO Rear HQ Fifth Army.

8. The BIS will transfer accounts to Offr i/c Accounts EFI AFHQ for financial adjustment.

9. No other EFI facilities exist for BR-ITIS.

SOAP

10. (a) The scale of issue through Italian sources at Base is 300 grammes per man per month for all BR-ITIS fwd of Army rear bdy and 200 grammes per mule or horse per month; the scale varies with the fat content of the soap.

(b) Issues are made through RASC channels.

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11. It is recognised that in some cases the scale may be insufficient and authority is given for low scale issues from Brit sources at the discretion of Brit comds.

12. (a) Owing to the shortage of soap in this theatre, issues from Brit sources for [illegible] will be kept to a minimum.

(b) Authorities for such issues will be as follows :-

LEGNANO GRUPPO	-	"Q" Fifth Army
FOLGORE GRUPPO	-	"Q" Rear 13 Corps
Pack Tpt Coys	-	SF Fifth Army
Pnr & Lab Coys	-	"Q" Fifth Army through "Q" Rear 13 Corps.

13. In order to debit the Italian Government, vouchers covering issues will be serially numbered and will show the following infm :

(a) Date of Issue
(b) Authority for Issue
(c) Depot or Installation making issue
(d) Unit to which issue was made
(e) Quantity
(f) Price
(g) Signature of receiving Italian offr (with name typed or printed)
(h) Countersignature of the issuing unit

The original signed voucher will be sent to MMIA LO Rear HQ Fifth Army, one copy being retained by the issuing and receiving units.

14. A special scale for hosps and Italian med units additional to the normal ration of 300 grammes per month is as follows :-

Gen Hosps	300 grammes per month per bed occupied
Evac Hosps	60 kilos per month per hosp
Med Secs	4 " " " " sec
FSUs	2 " " " " unit
Unit Med Offrs	600 grammes per month per med offr.

... issued only after the normal scale

(b) Authority for Issue
(c) Depot or Installation making issue
(d) Unit to which issue was made
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15. This scale is intended to be implemented only after the normal scale requirements have been met.

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16. Applications for issue from Brit stocks will be made through "Q" channels to "Q" Brit Increment, Rear HQ Fifth Army.

DUBBIN

17. Due to the shortage of Dubbin from Italian sources, authority is given for issues from Brit stocks on the normal scale from Ord: authority for issues and system of debiting will be the same as for Soap at paras 12 (b) and 13.

N Hamilton Leach
Major
for Brigadier.
DA & QMG.

[redacted]

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Subject: Toilet Articles.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. 91 - 93
18 Mar 45

To: H.Q. Combat Group FOLGORE

The following toilet articles will shortly be available for Italian military personnel.

Items	Initial Issue	Maint Issue
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
Tooth-paste	"	1 tube per month
Shaving Soap	"	1 stick per 4months

1. HQ Combat Group will submit a consolidated demand to this HQ in respect of maint sups required for the following month by the 12th of each month. Great care will be taken to ensure that this demand is accurate. On receipt of the articles they will be handed over to a responsible Italian officer to be nominated by HQ Combat Gp and a receipt obtained from him for these articles. Payment will be made through Italian military channels on instructions from the Ministry of War.

2. Demands for initial issue articles and for maint articles for this month will be submitted to this HQ forthwith.

Schofield Major [signature]

Lt.Col.
G.S.

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TO HQ [illegible] Group Fergotiff

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. | GR

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FROM (A)	MMIA	121714SA

For Action

53 BLU

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE STAMP

BLU 12 III 45 SIGNALS

Message Instructions	GR
QQX	9

Originator's No.

Q68 restricted expedite return EFI goods supplied during february 1945

SENT. 11 Mch. - 3161.

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CO^M 53 British Liaison Unit	111000A	

For Action

TO MMIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR —

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AQ/Q1-87 ⊙ Restricted ⊙ Ref your AQ/2/3 of 22 Dec ref ⊙ EFI supplies to Groups for February ⊙ NIL return

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FROM (A)	MMIA	1217HSA

For Action: 53 BLU

TO (W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions: QQX — GR: 9

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For Action

TO MMIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Office Date Stamp

Message Instructions — GR —

Originator's No.

AQ/K1-87 ⊙ Restricted ⊙ Ref your AQ/2/3 of 22 Dec 44 ⊙ EFI supplies to Greece for February ⊙ Nil return

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A/Q 2154
5 MAR 1945

Subject: EFI Supn to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3/1

25 Feb 1945

To: HQ 15 Army Group.

Reference your CM/52/AFA dated 13 Dec 44.

The total value of EFI goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of Jan 45 is as follows:-

(a) Friuli Gp . . . . Nil
(b) Cremona Gp. £743-15-2
(c) Legnano Gp. . . . . Nil
(d) Folgore Gp. . . . . Nil
(e) Mantova Gp. . . . . Nil

PPF/le

P. P. Fardell
P. P. FARDELL, J/Cond.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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2951
E 5 MAR 1945

B/8

Subject:- Toilet Articles for Italian Gruppi

Rear HQ Eighth Army, CMF
Tele Extn : 216

R 2051/9 Q

Rear 5 Corps
Rear 10 Corps
Rear 2 Polish Corps

28 Feb 45

Copy to :- Fifth (US) Army (Brit Increment)
MMIA ROME
26 BLU att Rear 2 Polish Corps
50 BLU
51 BLU
53 BLU
Ord
EFI
MMIA LO

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Ref AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) of 27 Sep 44 and AFHQ signal FX 34091 of 26 Feb 45, neither to all addressees.

Recd

1. Following info regarding sup of toilet articles to Italian Combat Gps from EFI, and payment therefor, is republished.

2. Scale of issue :-

Items	Initial Issue	Maint issue
Razors	1 per 2 men	Nil
Razor Blades	-	2 per 1 month

1498

50 BLU
51 BLU
53 BLU
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Toothbrush	1	1 per 4 months
Shaving Brush	1 per 2 men	Nil
Toothpaste	-	1 tube per month
Shaving Soap	-	1 stick per 4 months

3. BLU attached each Gp is responsible for submitting a consolidated demand to EFI in respect of their Gp by the 15th of each month for the maint sups required in the following month (in accordance with AAI letter 2049/12/Q2 of 26 Nov 44) and for the accuracy of such demand. OC BLU will give a bulk receipt to EFI for goods received and this receipt will form EFIs certificate of issue. OC BLU will obtain a receipt for the articles from the responsible Italian offr and fwd such receipts to MMIA ROME. EFI will submit their account for articles supplied to MMIA who will arrange payment.

H. Altrey Capt
for Brigadier,
DA & QMG, Eighth Army.

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2654

Subject : Sups - Unit Canteens.

53 B.L.U. 12 FEB 1945
Ref Q4 - 32
10 Feb 45

To : H.Q. Combat Group Folgore
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1. As a purely temporary measure while in this area, it has been possible to arrange for your Gp to purchase certain commodities to be used to establish unit canteens.

2. 12,500 rations can be purchased each week, each ration consisting of

Sugar	3 oz	Dried Fruit	4/7 oz
Milk	2½ oz	Cheese	1 oz
Baking Powder	1/30 oz	T. Bacon	2½ oz
Jam or)		Rice	1 oz
Marmalade or)	1½ oz	Curry Powder	1/30 oz
Syrup)		Herring	4/7 oz
Salt	½ oz	Sardines	3/7 oz

3. Payment for this food - approximately £300 (120,000 Lire) will be by cash to Welfare Officer 10 Corps and must be made within 24 hrs after the a/c has been rendered.

4. This concession has been obtained by this Hq and the prompt payment of the a/c has been made a condition of its continuance. If this condition is not observed the whole scheme will be cancelled immediately.

5. If it is desired to effect these purchases please arrange all details with ST this Hq and arrangements will be made for the first purchases to be made on 16 Feb.

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B Hts
Canc'l Prov
[illegible]

C H Brooke
Lt. Col.
G.S.

2621
10 FEB 1945

Subject: N.F.I. Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
62/2/3

2 Feb 1945

To: HQ 15 Army Group

Reference your GS/32/AFA dated 13 Dec 1944.

The total value of N.F.I. goods supplied to the Gruppi during December is as follows:-

		£	s	d
(a)	FRIULI GP.	378 -	0	- 2
(b)	CREMONA GP.		NIL	
(c)	LEGNANO GP.		NIL	
(d)	FOLGORE GP.		NIL	
(e)	MANTOVA GP.		NIL	

P. P. Fardell

P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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(e) BANTOYA GP. .... NIL

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P. P. PANDELL, J/Cmd.
for Major General,
N. M. I. A.

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2107
14 JAN 1945

Subject: S.F.I. Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(S. M.I. A.) S C M F
AG/2/3

Jan 1945

To: HQ 15 Army Group.

Reference your CS/52/APA dated 13 Dec 1964.

The total value of S.F.I. goods supplied to the Gruppi up to 30 Nov 1944 is as follows:-

	£	s.	d.
(a) [illegible] Gp.	1104 -	13 -	0
(b) [illegible] Gp.	1142 -	14 -	3
(c) [illegible] Gp.		NIL	
(d) [illegible]		NIL	
(e) [illegible]		NIL	

PPT/1e

F. F. FARRELL, C/Comd.
for Major General,
S. M. I. A.

Copy to: 50 BLU)
51 BLU) Please forward return
52 BLU) for Dec 44 as requested
53 BLU) in our letter AG/2/3 dated
56 BLU) 22 Dec 44.

Spec. Sec. SMIA

14 JAN 1945
1495

31 DEC 1944

RESTRICTED

Subject:- Distribution of EFI Goods to Combat Groups

51 British Liaison Unit

Q 5/4

To:

HQ MMIA.

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50 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
DADST

Ref your S/Q/29/1 dated 18 Dec 44 received 24 Dec 44.

1. I consider that the present system of settling for EFI goods supplied to Gruppi is satisfactory inasmuch that the process of accounting is the responsibility of base HQ and NOT fwd units.

2. The amount of EFI supplies involved is so limited and their nature is such (razor blades, toothbrushes) that to talk of them as something over which the Ministry of War has no control seems irrelevant.

3. To my mind it is undesirable for a Br officer to become involved in the handling of Italian money, and in any case, I do NOT consider I have the staff to detail an officer to collect EFI for the ITALIANS which, in fact, is what your suggestion would involve.

4. I therefore recommend the continuance of the present system.

Field.
Dec 44.
RWI/KS.

Lt Col.
General Staff.

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Dec 44.
RWH/KS.

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Lt Col.
General Staff..

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31 DEC 1944

Subject:- Toilet Articles for Gruppi.

51 British Liaison Unit.

Q 5/4

To:

HQ MMIA

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10 Corps
50 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU

Ref your S/Q/29/1 of 6 Oct 44. please note that the EFI supplies referred to therein ie razors, razor blades, toothbrushes and shaving brushes, have now been drawn.

1. CREMONA GRUPPO now point out that the personnel of the Gruppi have no issue of shaving soap. Beside the fact that Black Market prices for soap are prohibitive the article is also in very short supply in civilian shops.

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Field.
28 Dec 44.
DWWO /KS.

B W Webb Carter
Brig
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General Staff.

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[redacted]

Q 1811
31 DEC 1944

Subject: N.F.I. Supplies for Italian Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/2/3
28 Dec 1944

To: Ministry of War

Ref your 22942/V dated 26 November 1944.

1. The question of payment for N.F.I. goods supplied to the combat Groups has been investigated.

2. It is regretted that the proposal in your a/m letter cannot be agreed to.

3. The method of payment for N.F.I. goods will continue as heretofore.

D.S.L.GREGSON, Major,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

DSLG/lc

Copy to: 50, 51, 52, 53, 56 BLUS
(This HQ letter S/Q/29/1 of 18 Dec 44 refers)
Eco Sec MMIA

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31 DEC 1944

2 JAN 1945

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26 DEC 1944

Subject: EFI Supplies to [illegible]

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
[illegible]
HQ/[illegible]/3

27 Dec 44.

50, 51, 52, 53 & 56 BLUs

1. Enclosed is copy of a letter received from 15 Army Group.

2. In order that this information may be forwarded to 15 Army Group, will you please forward to this HQ

(a) The total value of EFI goods supplied to your group up to 30 Nov 1944.

(b) Thereafter monthly.

Nil returns are required.

26 DEC 1944

D.S.L. [illegible], Major,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

DSLG/wk

Copy 15 Army Group (your CR/52/AFA dated 18 Dec refers)
Spec. Sec.

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COPY

Subject:- E.F.I. Supplies to Gruppi.

Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.
Tel:- Flipot 268.
CN/52/AFA.

13th Dec 44.

M.M.I.A.,
HQ, Allied Commission,
A.P.O. 394.

Will you, please forward to this office a statement of the total value of E.F.I. goods supplied to the Gruppie up to 30th November 1944 under the terms of A.F.H.Q. memo AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 27 Sept 1944 and arrange to forward a monthly statement in the future.

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sgd I.W. BURNETT,
Lt. Col.,
Assistant Financial Adviser.

1703 26 DEC 1944

Subject : E.F.I. Supplies for Italian Combat Group.

50 British Liaison Unit.

Ref Q/5/11.

HQ
M.M.I.A.

21 Dec. 44.

A change in the procedure for paying for E.F.I. supplies does not appear to be warranted for the following reasons :-

(a) The accounting procedure in use at the moment is perfectly simple, and is in line with the accounting procedure for other supplies. The suggested change would merely increase the paper transactions hitherto avoided.

(b) It is considered that the B.L.Us have more than sufficient other work without being involved in financial transactions involving cash payments.

Lt Col. [illegible]
G.S.

C.M.F.
FG/V/LGB.

Copy to : 51, 52, 53 & 56 B.L.Us.

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Subject: Distribution of EFI goods to Combat Groups.

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA)

55 B.L.U.
Ref. Q1 - G4
24 Dec 44

1. Ref your S/Q/29/1 of 18 Dec 44.

2. It is suggested that the BLU should not be given this added responsibility which would fall on the DAA & QMG who is already fully occupied. It is agreed, however, that the Combat Gp must be made entirely responsible for accounting and the settlement of their accounts.

If EFI have any difficulty in their transactions with the Gp, the MMIA LO would carry out the necessary liaison.

3. It is considered that no British officer should be made responsible for the settlement of accounts, which is entirely a matter between the EFI and the Gp.

4. In the case of any default on the part of the Gp, the concession should be immediately withdrawn.

G. H. Brooks

Lt.Col.
G.S.

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21 DEC 1944

SUBJECT: Distribution of EFI goods to Combat Groups

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. S/Q/29/1
18 Dec 44

TO : 50, 51, 52, 53, 56 BLU's

1. It is suggested that a cash transaction between each Combat Group and EFI would be a better means of distributing EFI goods to Combat Groups than the present system whereby the account is presented afterwards to the Ministry of War. Each Group would then be entirely responsible for accounting for such goods and the Ministry of War would not be involved in something over which it has no direct control.

2. The Ministry of War states that the Groups' Canteen organisation (Spaccio) has the necessary cash resources to do this.

3. It would, however, be necessary for the money to be paid to EFI through a British Officer who would be responsible for each account being settled. Provided the transaction were left on a strictly cash for goods basis there would seem to be no difficulty about this.

4. You are requested to inform MMIA if you agree with the above proposal, and if the BLU can undertake the task of being the necessary link between the Combat Group and EFI on the question of handing over the cash.

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Major General
M. M. I. A.

Internal: A/Q

G.S. Ucb 22/12 It is suggested that the B.L.U should not be given this added responsibility which would fall on the D.A.A.G. one, who is already fully occupied. It is agreed, however, that the Combat G.s must be made entirely responsible for accounting and the settlement of their accounts. P.T.O.

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Subject:- Toilet Articles for Italian Gruppi.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

Tel:- FILBOT 207.

2049/12/Q2.

26 Nov 44.

SmB

CG, Fifth Army (For attention Br Incr)
Rear HQ Eighth Army
1 District
2 District.

Copy to:- AFHQ (2)
MMIA
OsC, 50 BLU att Friuli Group
51 BLU att Cremona Group
52 BLU att Legnano Group
53 BLU att Folgore Group
54 BLU att Mantova Group
Q(AE)
Ord
AFA
EFI.

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Pz

Attached is copy of letter received from AFHQ addressed to MMIA, reference AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 27 Sep, 44, outlining the policy regarding the issue of toilet articles to Italian Gruppi.

The method of issue and payment within the AAI Operational Zone will be as laid down in the letter under reference, except that in para.4 where the consolidated demands and bulk receipts for goods received will be submitted instead to DC EFI this HQ.

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for [signature] Lt Col
Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

P.T.O.

COPY.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint).

27 Sep 44.

Subject:- Toilet Articles for ITALIAN GRUPPI.

To:- MMIA.

1. Three Italian Combat Groups are being formed and equipped in accordance with the following programme:-

(a) By end Sep - First Gruppo

(b) By end Oct - Second and Third Gruppi.

2. It is intended to provide these Italian Gruppi, as they are formed with toilet articles from EFI as follows. This authority must not be quoted as a precedent for the issue of EFI supplies to other Italian forces.

3. (a) The scale of issue will be as follows:-

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.

(b) The maintenance scale is subject to availability.

(c) The first maintenance issue of razor blades may be made at the same time as initial issue, subject to availability.

4. BLU attached each Gruppo will be responsible for submitting a consolidated demand to EFI in respect of their Gruppi and for the accuracy of such demand. OC, BLU, will give a bulk receipt to EFI for goods received and this receipt will form EFI's certificate of issue. OC, BLU, will obtain a receipt for the articles from the responsible Italian Officer and forward such receipts to MMIA. EFI will submit their account for articles supplied to MMIA who will arrange payment.

5. Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy will lay down the method of issue and payment to be followed when Gruppi enter the Operational Zone.

(Sgd.) HUGH McLEAN, Lt.Col.,
for Major-General,
D.Q.M.G.

Copies to:- Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy
EFI.

SUBJECT: Toilet Articles for Italian Gruppi

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
File No. S/Q/29/1
Oct 44

TO : A, B, C, D, E, F MLUs

1. Further to this office letter of even date, copy of AAI letter 2049/12/Q2 date 5/10/44 is forwarded for information and for action.

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Maj Gen
M M I A

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SUBJECT: Toilet Articles for Italian Gruppi

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tele:- FILPOT 209

2049/12/Q2

5 Oct 44

MMIA

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Reference AFHQ letter 2554/Q (Maint) dated 27 Sep 44.

1. When Italian Gruppi enter the operational zone, the procedure laid down in para 4 if the above quoted letter will apply, demands being submitted to the DC EFI at this HQ.

Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

Copy to:- AFHQ
DC EFI - with copy of letter under reference. Please note that no action should be taken until Gruppi enter the operational zone.

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SUBJECT: Toilet Articles for ITALIAN GRUPPI.

MILITARY MISSION
ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
[illegible]
5 Oct 44.

TO : [illegible] H.Qs.

1. The attached copy letter A.F.H.Q./2554/Q(Maint) dated 27 Sept 44 is forwarded for information and/or necessary action.

2. It has been pointed out to A.F.H.Q. that supplies for 4 Gruppi will be required by end October and for a further 2 Gruppi by end of November.

3. Arrangements for bulk payment are being made with Ministry of War.

for Maj Gen
M M I A

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

[illegible]-Toilet articles for
ITALIAN GRUPPI.

AFHQ/[illegible]

27 Sep 44.

To [illegible]

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[illegible], Lt.Col.,
for Major-General,
[illegible]

Copies to:- Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy.
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