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7 BRITISH INDIAN DIV
PERSONAL
Code : 20340 / 25

Ref : [illegible]

8 June 47

Subject : Records & Returns - 7 Bde/Reinforcements (with Annex)

To : [illegible]

1. Reference HQ/113 dated 27 Dec. 1946.

2. Ref (in quadruplicate) are the following :-

(i) 7 Bde/Reinforcements Month Report as at 1 June 47.

(ii) As Annex "A" to Location Statement of 7 Bde. and enclosure to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Quadrilateral Command down to Bns. and equivalent Units.

(iii) As Annex "B" to Unit List of 7 Bde.

(iv) As Annex "C" to Unit List of all Italian Officers in the Command of the rank of Lt. Col. and above.

(v) As Annex "D" to Progress Report on C.S.M.'s [illegible].

(vi) As Annex "E" to Ordnance Returns.

(vii) As Annex "F" to G.S. Report for December 1946.

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[signature]
A.A.A. Quarter
Major,
[illegible]
7 Bde.G.

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Subject: 7 H.A.A. Bn/Instns: Lieut Report as at 3.1.47

1. GENERAL.

(a) Personnel (RAD)

(i) 2 Dec'46 . Major H.W. HAMILTON CO II 7 HAA, slot in Canberra.

(ii) 6 Dec'46. Lieut. Col. C.C. [illegible], CO I 7 HAA, reverted to 6 Field Hospital [illegible].

(iii) 7 Dec'46. Lieut. Col. [illegible] departed [illegible] for [illegible].

(iv) 7 Dec.'46. No. 5671433 L/C [illegible] left for Privilowe in UK.

(v) 9 Dec'46 Major H.W. [illegible] returned by duty.

(vi) 11 Dec.'46 No.2[illegible]0 Pte [illegible] left for Privilowe in UK.

(vii) 16 Dec'46 Lieut. Col. C.C. [illegible] left [illegible] on route for UK.

(viii) 21 Dec'46. No. 2067677 L/C [illegible] granted 7 days local leave.

(ix) 22 Dec'46. Major H.W. [illegible] granted 7 days local leave.

(x) 23 Dec'46. HQA Signal ref G3/5 dated 23 Dec'46 closing 7 HAA received.

(xi) 30 Dec.'46 Major H.W. [illegible] reported sick to Base quarters (RAD).
31 Dec'46 American M.O. brought Major [illegible] from [illegible] to U.S. M.I. Base [illegible], preparatory to despatching him to 42nd American Military Hospital [illegible].

(xii) Postal arrangements as outlined in para 1, (vii) of last section report working smoothly.

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(i) 2 Dec'46 . Major H.F. [redacted] GSO II 7 HQN, sick in quarters.

(ii) 6 Dec'46. Lieut. Col. O.C. [redacted], GSO I 7 HQN, recalled to 5 Field Regional [redacted].

(iii) 7 Dec'46. Lieut. Col. [redacted] departed [redacted] for [redacted].

(iv) 7 Dec.'46. No. 567443 L/C [redacted] left for furlough in UK.

(v) 9 Dec'46 Major H.W. [redacted] returned to duty.

(vi) 11 Dec.'46 No.3136910 Pte [redacted] left for furlough in UK.

(vii) 12 Dec'46 Lieut. Col. O.C. [redacted] left [redacted] en route for UK.

(viii) 21 Dec'46. No. 10667877 L/C [redacted] granted 7 days local leave.

(ix) 24 Dec'46. Major H.W. [redacted] granted 7 days local leave.

(x) 24 Dec'46. HQEA Signal msg' 0836 dated 23 Dec'46 closing 7 HQN received.

(xi) 30 Dec.'46 Major H.W. [redacted] reported sick in local garrison (NAIROBI)
31 Dec'46 American M.C. brought Major [redacted] from [redacted] to U.S. M.I. Base [redacted], preparatory to despatching him to 61st American Military Hospital [redacted].

(xii) Postal arrangements as outlined in para 1, (vii) of last months report working smoothly.

(b) British.

(i) Gent. [redacted], [redacted] (total 7 HQN), visited HQ. [redacted], during the month and I understand will continue to do so.

(ii) 2nd Dec'46 217 Area on request to close down, closing finally on 15 Dec'46.

(iii) 15 Dec'46 239 sub Area, [redacted] opened.

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(iv) 17 Dec'46. Farewell party given by Officers [redacted] Area in [redacted]. Personal members of this H.Q. attended.

(c) Italian.

(i) 1 Dec'46 Lieut. [redacted]'s leave cancelled as he was sick.

(ii) 15 Dec.'46 Lieut. [redacted] granted 15 days leave.

(iii) 23 Dec'46 Lieut. [redacted] granted 15 days leave.

(iv) S. [redacted] (P.W. 7 MG) granted 7 days leave.

(v) 29 Dec'46 Lieut. [redacted] granted 15 days leave.

(d) Visits & Visitors.

(i) 3/4 Dec'46. Lieut. Cols [redacted] and [redacted] visited 7 P.W.I.U.
All outstanding "P" Cat's points were discussed.

(ii) 12 Dec'46. GSO II visited [redacted] Regt. [redacted] Bureau re, [redacted].

(iii) 13 Dec'46 GSO II visited 7 Inf. Regt. [redacted] Bureau re [redacted].

(iv) 16 Dec'46. GSO II visited 7 C.I.I. [redacted].

(v) 17 Dec'46 GSO II visited [redacted] Regt. [redacted].

The following visits were made by S & T Officer 7 P.W.I.U.; -

6 Dec'46 No. 76 Food Distribution Depot- [redacted] See [redacted]/S&T/3 30 dated 12 Dec'46

9 Dec'46 . No. 77 Food Distribution Depot -[redacted] See [redacted]/S&T/3 30 dated 12 Dec.

18 Dec'46 No. 6 Food Distribution Depot- [redacted] See [redacted]/S&T/3 30 dated 20 Dec.

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(iii) 15 Dec'46 Lieut. [redacted] granted 15 days leave.

(iii) 21 Dec'46 Lieut. [redacted] granted 15 days leave.

(iv) A. [redacted] (A.P. 7 RE) granted 7 days leave.

(v) 22 Dec'46 Lieut. [redacted] granted 15 days leave.

(d) Visits & Liaison.

(i) 16 Dec'46. Lieut. Cols [redacted] and [redacted] visited 7 S.A.A.D.
All outstanding "O" & "A" points were discussed.

(ii) 18 Dec'46. GSO II visited [redacted] Regt. [redacted] Bourne e, [redacted].

(iii) 24 Dec'46. GSO II visited 7 Inf. Bgde. [redacted] Bourne, [redacted].

(iv) 26 Dec'46. GSO II visited 7 S.A.A. [redacted].

(v) 27 Dec'46 GSO II visited [redacted] Regt. [redacted].

The following visits were made by S & T Officer 7 S.A.A.D.:-

6 Dec'46. No. 76 Prod Distribution Depot- [redacted] See DDT/S/A 19 dated 12 Dec'46

9 Dec'46. No. 77 Prod Distribution Depot -[redacted] See DDT/S/A 19 dated 12 Dec.

28 Dec'46 No. 6 Prod Distribution Depot- [redacted] See DDT/S/A 20 dated 28 Dec

2. Ops

(a) Organisation.

(i) Pilots being processed in accordance with MRA signal 0226 dated 23 Dec.& G 99/1 of 16 Dec'46.

(ii) Local Bde warned that 7 RTC shortly closing down and only work in connection with winding up being done.

(iii) Letter Ref DDT/A dated 27 Dec'46 (copy HQD) sent to 21B Sub Area.
No far no reply has been received.

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(iv) Italian. N.T.E.

(b) Employment of Troops.

(i) [redacted] General duties.

(ii) [redacted] Normal guard duties.

(iii) [redacted] Telephone exchanges and W/T operators.

(iv) [redacted] General duties.

(c) Training.

(i) "[redacted]"

(a) [redacted]

1. [redacted]
P.T.
Fire Position: Theoretical training of aiming and firing.
Only five practices with the rifle were carried out, owing to the bad weather.
Combat training: Individual training completed. Squad training started.
Weapon training: Practice with all the weapons of the Bn. (including 81 Mortars)
Regulations: Discipline, hygiene, penal code.
Marching: Normal route marches between 12 and 15 kms.
Various courses: Courses for W/T operators, Mortar operators and cooking groups.

2. Senior Soldiers Bn.
The Company in the attack in defence.
Patrols during all phases of battle.
Route marches.
Fire practice, training in various arms.
Army regulations.

3. Mortar Course.
P.T. as for recruits.
Practical training and fire practice.
Theoretical training only in aiming and firing

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(iii) 7th. Regt. Normal guard duties.

(iii) 7 Signal Coy. Telephone exchanges and W/T operators.

(iv) 7 Engineer Coy. General duties.

(c) Training.

(i) "

(a) Infantry.

1. Regular Bn.
W.T.
Fire Practice: Theoretical training of aiming and firing.
Only fire practices with the rifle were carried out, owing to the bad weather.
Combat training: Individual training completed. Squad training started.
Weapon training: Practice with all the weapons of the Bn. (including 3" Mortars)
Regulations: Discipline, hygiene, penal code.
Marching: Several route marches between 12 and 15 km.
Various courses: Courses for W/T Operators, Mortar operators and reading gunners.

2. Senior Territorial Bn.
The Company in the attack in defence.
Patrols during all phases of battle.
Route marches.
Fire practice, training in various arms.
Army regulations.

3. Mortar Company
P.T. as for recruits.
Sectional training and fire practice.
Theoretical training only in aiming and firing due to lack of aiming devices.
The squad in the attack and defence.
Army regulations.

Gunners.
Regimental course for W/T drivers.

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Cadre training.
At the NIMBO Regt: The Inf. Bn. in the defence.
At GARIBALDI Regt.: The Inf. Bn. in the advanced guard.
Conferences to show the difference between Italian and British training.
Some Officers took part in courses at C.A.R. SIENA

(b) Artillery

P.T. as in Inf. Bns.
Tactical training and fire practice; theoretical training on aiming and firing only, due to shortage of petrol.
Arms training: theoretical and practical training in individual arms, service at the gun, maintenance of the equipment.
Army Regulations.
Courses. Following courses were carried out: Radio operators, telephone operators, M/T drivers.
Cadre training. The Officers of the Regiment took part in Cadre training with the Officers of the Inf. Regts.

(c) Engineers Bn.
P.T. as in Inf. Bns.
Firing practice with rifle.
Theoretical and practical training in the arms of the Unit.

(ii) 7 Infantry Regiment.
P.T.
Fire practice in Breda Muching gun and 81 mm. Morters
Tactical training:
Recruits. The squad in the various phases of the battle.
The platoon as advanged guard.
Sen Soldiers. The company as advanced guard.
The company as a strong point.
The Bn. advancing.
Army Regulations
Parade training of Bn.
Route marches
Cadre training. The Inf. Bn. in the attack. Some Officers took part in the course at C.A.R. SIENA.

(iii) 7 Pioneer Coy and 7 Signal Coy
Both Units.
Parade training every morning.
P.T. every morning.
Army regulations
Fire practice for individual arms

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Both Units.
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P.T. every morning.
Army regulations
Fire practice in individual arms
M.T. training for drivers
Training with 7 Inf. Regt.

Pioneer Company

Training :Anti- tank mines (Teller Mod 35,41, S Mine)
Barbed wire erection. Trenches.

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Signal Company
Theoretical and practical training on radio equipment. Laying down and erecting of telephone lines. Training on C.B. Mod. 33 telephones and 10 line exchange.
Cadre training.
Officers and NCOs took part in courses at Central Signal School in [redacted], and at Central Pioneer School, [redacted].

(d) Intelligence.

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3. [redacted]

(e) Remarks (Cont'd)

(1) Deficiencies

Officers. 1 Capt. R.A.M.C.

Men.

Batt Sgt.	1
Cook MT	1
RASC L/Cpl. cook	1
RASC L/Cpl. cook	1

(2) Welfare. Three Cinema shows were given during the month. A football match was given at [redacted] on 16th Nov. as the Div were leaving the [redacted] the following week. Football has been impossible owing to the frozen state of the ground.

(b) Visits.

(1) Deficiencies in strength.

2 Lieut Special Grade	30% below W.E.
Medical Officers	5% " "
Padre Grade	20% " "
Vet. and Remount Unit	25% " "
Officers Cleaned.	20% " "
2 Lieut. Tank.	40% " "
Vet Lieut Grade (R-T)	20% " "
Lieut RAC (Adm. & Instruc.)	5% " "

(2) Deficiencies in Provisions

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(d) Intelligence.

N.T.S.

3. WAAF

(a) Trade (WAAF)

(i) Deficiencies

Officers. 1 Capt. R.A.M.C.

Other ranks.

Sgt.	1
Cpl. A/C	1
Cpl. L/Cpl. clerk	1
L/Cpl. clerk	1

(ii) Welfare. Three Dances have been given during the month. A Farewell dance was given at WILLA [illegible] on 14th Dec. as the CO were leaving to WILLA the following week. Football has been impossible owing to the frozen state of the ground.

(b) Health.

(i) Deficiencies in strength.

Total Establishment	20% below W.E.
Medical Officers	5% " "
Nursing Sisters	10% " "
W/T. and Transport Drivers	20% " "
Cpl. Cooks	20% " "
Clerks (Medical)	40% " "
Total Strength	12% " "
WAAF Camp (Hospital)	5% " "

(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists.

Total Establishment

M.T. Drivers	33% below W.E.
Cooks	30% " "
* Other Specialists	35% " "

* Includes typists clerks, barbers, cooks, storekeepers, orderlies, steam boiler operators, carpenters, sanitary valets, masons, chiefs, electricians, Medical and pathologists.

(iii) Discipline.

Satisfactory

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(iv) Pay

As for last report.

(v) Morale

Satisfactory considering the high cost of living.

(vi) Leave

Normale.

(vii) P.R. & Welfare.

Relations with civil population are good.
Press shows little interest at the moment in the Italian Army.
Any injust criticism have been at once denied through the leading newspapers.
The following Welfare programme was carried out at Xmas.

(a) Extra rations issued.
(b) Xmas trees and lotteries
(c) Money prizes for various sports.
(d) Free Cinema and Variety shows
(e) Dances with free drinks etc.
(f) 900 Xmas parcels sent to sick in hospital, and many other parties were given.

4. "G"

(a) Domestic (HQ)

(i) For full details see return forwarded under this HQ. letter HQ/23 dated 2 Jan'46.

(ii) Accommodation

(a) On 16 Dec. the ORs moved from Villa PRIMAVERA to 252 Via Gabriele D'Annunzio SETTIGNANO where considerable work had been carried out by 7 T.C. Engrs. An Italian guard took over PRIMAVERA and is still there, pending receipt of instructions as to whom the various premises are to be handed over

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(b) DAA & QMG has not moved to SETTIGNANO

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(vi) Leave

Normale.

(vii) P.R. & Welfare.

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(c) Money prizes for various sports.
(d) Free Cinema and Variety shows
(e) Dances with free drinks etc.
(f) 800 Xmas parcels sent to sick in hospital, and many other parties were given.

4. "Q"

(a) Domestic (HQ)

(i) For full details see return forwarded under this HQ. letter HQ/23 dated 2 Jan'46.

(ii) Accommodation

(a) On 16 Dec. the CRs moved from Villa PRIMAVERA to 352 Via Gabriele D'Annunzio SETTIGNANO where considerable work had been carried out by 7 T.C. Engrs. An Italian guard took over PRIMAVERA and is still there, pending receipt of instructions as to when the various premises are to be handed over

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(b) DRA & QMS has not moved to SETTIGNANO owing to disbandment of HQ.

(c) Interpreter Officers have not moved into new billets with CRs but have made private arrangements in the town.

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(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.

7 Inf. Regts. and 7 Transport Coy still short of vehicles. 11 of 7 have received distribution shortly.
Some tyres for trucks and cars have been received.

(ii) Arms & Ammn.

Ammn to W.E. Scale received.
Ammn for new units at [illegible] received [illegible] each month.
An ammunition depot for [illegible] grenades is being built near [illegible].

(iii) Clothing & Equipment.

Model "43" uniforms for next call up have been completed, and these and other clothing for next call up have been sent to ? C.A.E.

(iv) Rations & Fuel.

Rations for next call up completed at ? C.A.E.

(v) Barrack Stores.

Officers furniture made and distributed.

(vi) Accommodation.

(a) [illegible]
Western Command Barracks ; Six units at the Instruction School have been completed.

Semi-fixed Barracks; Several repairs are being carried out.

Improvised Mess -Accommodation Camps; do

Bivouac Barracks; do

(b) [illegible]
Cadre Canal Barracks Officers and [illegible] billets are being built

(c) [illegible]

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received.

(ii) Army & Navy

Army to W.E. Scale remains.
Army for new units of [illegible] granted within the month.
An amplification depot for RAF & NAVAL garrisons is being built near [illegible].

(iii) Clothing & Equipment

Total "G" uniforms for next call up have been completed, and these and other clothing for next call up have been sent to 7 C.A.D.

(iv) Buildings & Fuel

Stocks for next call up completed at 7 C.A.D.

(v) Barrack Stores

Officers furniture made and distributed.

(vi) Armaments.

(a) [illegible]

Ordnance Depot Bermuda ; the units at the installation should have been completed.

Coastal Defences; Improvements are being carried out.

Inshore Minor Craft Defences; do

Submarine Defences; do

(b) [illegible]

Garrison Guard Bermuda: Officers and NCOs billets are being built

(c) [illegible]

Ordnance & Ammunition: outer installations have been completed.

(vii) Bombs.

The assignment of A.O.I. for the month of December was decreased by 50%.
Consequently the use of transport has been strictly limited.

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(viii) Medical.

The "VASA SECCO" T.B.C. Hospital at LIDO
has been closed by order of A of W.
Inspections have been made at 7 C.A.R. AREA
and the detachment at ADRIANO.
No results were satisfactory.
All sanitary precautions have been carried
out for the next arrival of recruits at 7 C.A.R.
The anti-V.D. campaign is continuing in
cooperation with the Questura.
Only way for cases of infections diseases reported

2 full trucks of captured Medical Stores arrived
at the INFETTO during the month of November.
INFETTO continue to occupy 3 buildings belonging
to the ENTENTE CHIATO FASHINGTON INFETTO,
which are urgently required by the Italian Military
Authorities for stores coming from MIDDLE and
Allied Forces. See previous Re ports.

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Appendix "A" to 7 HII Indoor
HQ/29 dated 2 January 1947

LOCATION STATEMENT 7 H.Q.

OFFICE		
Major GENERAL	Hotel PIAZZA DELLA STAZIONE - FLORENCE	
Major HAMILTON (In Grat U.S. Hosp. LEGHORN)	Villino "VILLA FIORAMORA"	Tel.293638
Capt. TAYLOR	Via LORENZO MAGNIFICO 10	Tel.293601
Capt. STEVENS (attached)	Via PIAZZA DEI GIGLIATI 33	Tel.293606
Capt. NELSON	Via LORENZO MAGNIFICO 10	Tel.293601
	BOLOGNA	

[redacted]

British C.R.E's 46 SECTIONING - 252 Via CARDUCCI D'ANTEZZO -
Tel. [redacted] 67249.

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Appendix "A" to 7 Inf Div letter
AG/ dated 8 January 1947

LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS IN 7 INFANTRY
DIVISION AREA AS OF 1 JANUARY 1947

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
Hq. 7 Inf. Regt.	[illegible]	XIX - XVI
1st Bn. (ex 309)	[illegible]	" "
2nd Bn. (ex 341 Bn)	[illegible]	" "
3rd Bn. (ex 342 Bn)	[illegible]	" "
Northern Coy	[illegible]	" "
Hq. 7 C.A.C.	[illegible]	" "
1st Bn	[illegible]	" "
2nd Bn	[illegible]	" "
3rd Bn	[illegible]	" "
Hq. "[illegible]" Inf. Div.	[illegible]	" "
Nembo Regt.	[illegible]	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	" "
"[illegible]" Inf. Regt.	[illegible]	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	" "
164 Arty. Regt. Hq.	[illegible]	" "
No. 1 25-Pr Bty	[illegible]	" "
No. 2 25-Pr Bty	[illegible]	" "
No. 3 25-Pr Bty	[illegible]	" "
No. 4 25-Pr Bty	[illegible]	" "
No. 5 17-Pr Bty	[illegible]	" "
No. 6 m/m A.A. Bty	[illegible]	" "
164 Engr. Bn. Hq. [illegible]	[illegible]	" "
Central Schools	[illegible]	" "
Hq. 3 Brigade	[illegible]	" "
Hq. Hdq. Bn. Group	[illegible]	" "
[illegible] Legion	[illegible]	" "
Ext. Group	[illegible]	" "
Int. Group	[illegible]	" "
[illegible] Group	[illegible]	" "
[illegible] Group	[illegible]	" "
[illegible] Group	[illegible]	" "
[illegible] Legion	[illegible]	" "
CC. Group	[illegible]	" "
CC. Group	[illegible]	" "
CC. Group	[illegible]	" "
CC. Group	[illegible]	" "
CC. Group	[illegible]	" "

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Appendix "B" to 7 SEC letter
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STAFF LIST 7 S.E.C. as at 1.1.47

General Staff

G.S.O. II — Major H.W. HAMILTON (To Gen U.K. Comp. London) — Suffolk

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General

DA & QMG — Major D.S.I. [illegible], MC — 5 Lancs. Fus.

Services

R of O — Capt. C.E. [illegible] — R.A.S.C.

ADC — Capt. P.H. [illegible]

Attached

Medical I.O. — Capt. E.G. [illegible], MC — R.A.M.C.

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Annex "C" to 7 DEC letter
DEC/SO dated 3 January 1947

ZELLE DEC DEC 7 DECLASS. DECLD DOCS

DEC AND SECRET DOCS ATTACHED

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ADDITIONS TO THE LIST OF OFFICERS ON DUTY WITH 7 TERRITORIAL ARMORED DIVISION

UNIT	FROM	NAME AND DESIGNATION	ASSIGNMENT
Artillery			
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	To dispose
Col.	Div.	[illegible]	To dispose
Infantry			
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	Assigned to the [illegible]
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	Assigned to the [illegible]
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	Assigned to Terr. [illegible]
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	Assigned to the [illegible]
Col.	Med.	[illegible]	Detailed
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	Detailed to Legion

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[illegible] ADDRESSEE

[illegible] As signed
[illegible] As signed

[illegible] Assigned to the Navy
[illegible] Assigned to the Army
[illegible] Assigned to Terr. Coml. Offs.
[illegible] Assigned to the Reserve
[illegible] Unassigned
[illegible] Transferred to Inactive Army Status

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ASSIGNMENTS TO BE EFFECTIVE ON OR ABOUT 1 APRIL 1 MONTH IN GRADE EXCEPT

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	ASSIGNMENT
Generals			
Lt.Col.	Vet.	PRICE	Director Veterinary
Lt.Col.	Adj.	LEVY	Adj. Section Occupied
Lt.Col.	Art.	PRYZBYLSKI	Commanding Ammunition
Lt.Col.	Art.	TUCKER	Commanding Mobile
Lt.Col.	Inf.	FLANAGAN	AC of S, G-1
Lieutenants			
Lt.Col.	Inf.	GUEST	Assigned to the
Majors			
Lt.Col.	Med.	MANN	Transferred to the
Lt.Col.	Med.	BUTERBAUGH	Transferred to the
Lt.Col.	Corps.	ALBRIGHT	Transferred to the

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Annex "C" to TAB I letter
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NAME AND GRADE OR RANK	ASSIGNMENT
[illegible]	Director Veterinary and Remount Depot
[illegible]	Adj. Station Hospital Fort [illegible]
[illegible]	Quartermaster Intermediate Depot
[illegible]	Quartermaster Depot [illegible]
[illegible]	At disposal 7 Zone Comd. Florida
[illegible]	Assigned to the Remount
[illegible]	Transferred to the Military Hospital Local
[illegible]	Transferred to the School Combination Depot
[illegible]	Transferred to the General Store Florida

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Encl "B" to 7 BDU letter
BDU/20 dated 8 Jan. 1947

REPORT ON 7 C.A.R. FOR MONTH ENDING
31st DECEMBER 1946

1. Personnel

(a) The main recruits course finished on 23 Nov.46 but tardy arrivals (about 330) finished their course on 21 Dec. 46.

(b) To obviate these constant late arrivals of small batches of recruits, in future courses 7 C.A.R. have received notice that any one reporting to Districts after the finish of the call up period (21 Jan 47) will be ordered to return to their homes and report again between 21 - 26 Feb.47. This procedure will result in a block of recruits commencing their training one month after the set date. This is an improvement on the constant late arrivals of dribs and drabs throughout the course.

(c) Recruits for the next course should arrive between 8 - 21 January 47 to commence trg on 26 Jan. 47.

2. Training.

In addition to the normal trg of the 330 recruits (late arrivals) carried out this month the following courses have been held.

(a) SIGNA

(i) 2 - 11 Dec. 21 Officers from 7 Territorial Command. Subjects taught were W/T on Br Eqp and tactical trg to pl level.

(ii) 12 - 21 Dec. ditto. with 16 Officer students.

(iii) 12 - 21 Dec. 26 NCO students from 7 Terr. Comd. Subjects taught were W/T on Br. eqp. and tactical trg to pl level.

(iv) Detailed programmes of above courses are attached.

(b) ARMO

2 - 21 Dec. Course for 64 'Graduati' . Detailed programme is attached.

3. General.

(a) No spare parts have yet arrived for small arms. These are in a bad state owing to constant use without proper repair.

(b) No progress has been made on finding quarters for married families for instructors of 7 CAR. The proposals put forward

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(c) Recruits for the next course should arrive between 8 - 21 January 47 to commence trg on 26 Jan. 47.

2. Training.

In addition to the normal trg of the 350 recruits (late arrivals) carried out this month the following courses have been held.

(a) SIERRA

(i) 2 - 11 Dec. 21 Officers from 7 Territorial Command. Subjects taught were W/T on Br Eqp and tactical trg to pl level.

(ii) 12 - 21 Dec. ditto. with 16 Officer students.

(iii) 12 - 21 Dec. 26 NCO students from 7 Terr. Comd. Subjects taught were W/T on Br. eqp. and tactical trg to pl level.

(iv) Detailed programmes of above courses are attached.

(b) ARROW

2 - 21 Dec. Course for 64 'Graduati' . Detailed programme is attached.

3. General.

(a) No spare parts have yet arrived for small arms. These are in a bad state owing to constant use without proper repair.

(b) No progress has been made on finding quarters for married families for instructors of 7 CAR. The proposals put forward have been turned down on account of their being too expensive.

(c) Demo pl at 7 CAR is formed of ex-recruits who are held on the W.E. of 7 Inf. Regt.

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BLU/20 dated 8 January '47

ORDNANCE WARRANT OFFICER's REPORT
DECEMBER 1946

The closing down of this B.L.U. brings to an end not just the liaison of one body of men with that of another but rather the fermenting of the true understanding and goodwill that has been born and will continue to grow between the British and Italian people as a whole.

We have by our efforts shown, consciously and unconsciously to the Italian Army, and thereby it's people, how we can work, live and die.
We have assisted them in no mean manner to regain once more their prestige and rightful place in the world.

By their patience and true understanding they have blended their Army into the shadow of our own, their mistakes can now become our mistakes, in like manner their Victories can be watched with a certain measure of pride.

We leave them now, abruptly 'tis true, but by no means floundering. Our last visits were smooth and quiet routine. There were no major observations or queries. They are carrying on the good work with all zeal and every efficiency.

Ordnance is satisfied if in parting we can say - "HONI SOIT QUI MAL I PENSE".

J. I. Walton Lieut.

Ordnance Warrant Officer
7 British Liaison Unit

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
FLORENCE
Tele: 23618-23

Ref: BLU/20

27 Dec. 1946

Subject: Monthly Reports

To : HQ. LMTA.

In view of the close down of 7 BLU, will you please state if a monthly Report for the month of December, should be prepared and forwarded to HQ. LMTA?

D.S.L. GRAGSON
Major
DA & QMG

7 [illegible] LIAISON UNIT
[illegible]
Ref : 29/18 / 33

Ref : MLO/20

4 Dec. 1945

Subject : Records & Returns - Bn/Bn during Month Report.

To : M.L.O.s.

1. Reference 60/115 dated 27 Dec. 1945.

2. Attd (in quadruplicate) are the following :-

(i) Bn/Regiment Month Report as at 1 December 1945.

(ii) As Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 M.L.O. and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bns. and equivalent Units.

(iii) As Appx "B" is Staff List of 7 M.L.O.

(iv) As Appx "C" is Staff List of all Italian Officers in the Command of the rank of Lt.Col. and above.

(v) As Appx "D" is Progress Report on U.N.R.R.A. Stills.

(vi) As Appx "E" is M.L. Packet referred to in para 3 of this M.L. letter ref. MLO/20 dated 4 Nov. 1945. (Please return packet).

(vii) As Appx "F" is special Urban Report referred to in para 1 (iv) of this report.

(viii) As Appx "G" is NAAFI report called for in HQTA letter 003 G dtd. 19 November 1945.

(ix) As Appx "H" is Ordnance Report.

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C.O. [illegible]
Lt.Col.,
GSO I
7 M.L.S.

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Subject : Records & Reports - 7th/Beginning Month Report.

To : A.A.I.B.

1. Reference 60/115 dated 27 Dec. 1945.

2. Attd (in quadruplicate) are the following :-

(i) End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 December 1945.

(ii) As Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 D.I.G. and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bns. and equivalent Units.

(iii) As Appx "B" is Strength List of 7 D.I.G.

(iv) As Appx "C" is Strength List of all Italian Officers in the Command of the rank of Lt.Col. and above.

(v) As Appx "D" is Progress Report on G.A.R. STELLA.

(vi) As Appx "E" is P.W. Packet referred to in para 3 of this H.Q. letter ref. 12A/20 dated 6 Nov. 1945. (Please return packet).

(vii) As Appx "F" is special Adm Report referred to in para 1 (iv) of this report.

(viii) As Appx "G" is [illegible] report called for in [illegible] letter 00[illegible] dtd. 19 November 1945.

(ix) As Appx "H" is Reference Report.

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C. Q. MARKES
Lt. Col.,
GSO I
7 D.I.G.

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Subject: 7 B.L.U. End/Beginning Month Report as at 1.12.46

1. GENERAL

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) 7 Nov.'46. Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKES, GSO I, 7 BLU, was admitted to 6 Field Hospital BOLOGNA, with fractured left ankle.

(ii) 13 Nov.'46 No. 14770237 Sgt. ALEXANDER, Monmouthshire Regt, reported for duty with RASC detachment 7 BLU.

(iii) 15 Nov.'46 Sub Condr PATTERJOHNS reported ex leave UK.

(iv) 21 Nov.'46 DAA & QMG & Capt RASC 7 BLU visited C RASC 21 Area to discuss future maintenance plans for 7 BLU (See Admin Report at Appx "F")

(v) 23 Nov.'46 Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKES was discharged from 6 Field Hospital BOLOGNA.

(vi) 30 Nov.'46 No. 2665171 Sgt. BLUNT R. Coldstream Gds reported for duty.

(vii) Consequent upon the departure of the detachment R. Sigs and the closing down of the B.D.S., some difficulty has been experienced over the despatch and receipt of personal mail.
A system is going to be tried out whereby 6 BLU collect from the A.P.O. BOLOGNA & deliver to UNRRA BOLOGNA.
UNRRA have a daily courier Service between BOLOGNA and FLORENCE and will deliver to this HQ. daily, collecting mail for despatch at the same time and transporting it to their Office in BOLOGNA, from whence 6 BLU will collect.

(b) British.

(i) 5 Nov.'46 Det. R. Sigs. left FLORENCE to rejoin their HQ. in BOLOGNA.

(ii) 7 Nov.'46 The two ambulances and drivers rejoined their HQ. in BOLOGNA.
The medical orderly is staying on in FLORENCE He is attd to 7 BLU and works in the U.S. M.I. Room.

(iii) 27 Nov.'46 Gdsmn. BREWER. A. who deserted from the Grenadier Guards after the fall of CASSINO

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gave himself up to the British Consul, FLORENCE. He was collected from the Consulate by this HQ. and handed over to the U.S. Military Police for safe custody until collected by DAEM 217 Area on 28th Nov.

(c) Italian

(i) Lieut. APOSTOLI was granted 15 days leave w.e.f. 30th Nov.

(ii) More Italian born wives of British Personnel have been despatched from FLORENCE for onward routing to U.K.

(d) Visits & Liaison

1st Oct/1st Nov.'46 DA & QMG's visit to GROSSETO.

1. Military District GROSSETO. (Lieut.Col.STELLINI)

(a) Strength : 10 officers -10 NCOs - 3 ORs
These have all been posted by the M of W but are in excess of W.E. by 3 officers and 5 NCOs.
These latter personnel, (8), do not receive rations and in consequence are at a great disadvantage, as they have to buy all their food on the open market and find the greatest difficulty in making ends meet.
STELLINI stated that these facts had been represented to 7 T.C., but so far without result.

(b) Messing & cooking arrangements need improvement.

(c) There is the usual difficulty of finding suitable accn for married members of the permanent staff.
The above difficulties have been represented to 7 T.C. Other arrangements appeared satisfactory and the last call up worked most smoothly.

2. Remount Depot (Lieut Col. NISIVOCCIA)
This is really a misnomer as the depot is in fact a Stud Farm.
It is a first class show and very well run. Officers appear very knowledge-able and keen on their job. A wonderful spirit of camararderie was evident between the OC and all other officers. The vety Officer Major CONFORTI appeared to be outstanding.

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2 Nov.'46 CO 11 at TRIESTARO Cemetery (See full report under P.R. & Welfare)

4 Nov.'46. Lieut. Cols HENRY & CURRIE visited 7 HAD, FILOONI Div. MCPS and later had a conference with Gen. FIALDINI & Staff.

4 Nov.'46 A special Italian Armistice Day Service was held in the S. GIOVE church. This was attended by representatives of this HQ. The ceremony was most impressive and very well attended.
Amongst those present were:-

Gen. DE SIMONE and Staff.
Gen. FIALDINI and Staff.
The British Consul.
Representative of all Units in 7 T.C.
Widows and families of the fallen.
War Veterans.

The band of the GARIBALDI Regt supplied the music.

10 Nov.'46 A special Armistice Day Service was held in the British Church.
All available ranks of this HQ. attended.

11th Nov.'46 Laying of wreath at British Empire Cemetery. (See full report under P.R. & Welfare)

24th Nov'46 Major [redacted], D.A.D.V.S. 6th visited FARRIER and inspected the horses attd to 7 HAD.

28th Nov'46 A special Thanksgiving Day Service was held at the British Church. Representatives of this HQ. attended the service.

The following visits were made by S & T Officer 7 HAD:-

1st Nov'46	No. 76 Food Distribution Depot, PESARO	See HAU/SF/G 10 dated 6 Nov'46
2nd Nov'46	No. 77 Food Distribution Depot, ANCONA	See HAU/SF/G 10 dated 6 Nov'46
25 Nov.'46	No. 7 Admn. Transport Coy and No. 7 Amb. Car Section - FORTEZZA DA BASSO	See HAU/SF/G 10 dated 30 Nov'46

2. [redacted]

(a) Organization
Remarks (HAU)

(1) Correspondence concerning the return of Sgt. FARRIER (See report for last month para 2 (1))

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ies passed between this HQ., GOC and Sgt. MAYER concerning his return to 7 INF. Nothing definite has as yet transpired.

(ii) 7 T.C. is now being used as the channel of communication between this HQ. and HQ. MRIA. So far this method of communication appears to be satisfactory.

(iii) Xmas N.T.R.

(b) Employment of troops.

(i) VICTORY DAY. Normal Guard duties. Various Units stood by during the elections in case they were needed for Public Security duties.
They were not called upon as there were no disturbances.

(ii) 7 Inf. Regt. Normal Guard duties.

(iii) 7 Signal Coy. Telephone exchanges and W/T operators.

(iv) 7 Engineer Coy. General duties.

(c) Training.

(i) "VOLTURNO" Division

(a) Infantry.

-2nd training period Bns. (1st INFNO, 1st GARIBALDI formed with recruits of the 1st and 2nd groups of 1924 class).
- P.T.
- Firing practice field firing
- Tactical training of the rifle Coy: Tactical training of Bn.
- Route marches.

-3rd training period Bns (2nd NEDDO 3rd GARIBALDI formed with senior soldiers of 1924 class)
- P.T.
- tactical training of Bn.
- Route marches.

-Cadre Bns (3rd NEDDO 2nd GARIBALDI formed with officers, NCOs and some ORs)
- Potential NCOs courses
- P.T.
- Musketry training not yet carried out owing to lack of aiming devices.

Cadre training
- rifle Coys in the attack.
- rifle Coy in defence.
- Inf. Bn supported by a group of Art and Engr in the attack and defence.

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(b) Artillery.

. P.T.
-Firing practice - Recruits have carried out the classification lessons. Firing practice with the guns not yet carried out owing to shortage of petrol.
- Tactical training of Bty not carried out owing to shortage of petrol.
- Courses for M.T. drivers.
- Art Officers took part in cadre training either at the Regt. of the Div.or at 7 Inf. Regt.

(c) Engineers

- Pioneers and F.P.- Practice on explosives and mines - training on the Bailey Bridge.
-Signal Coy. practice on 19 radio Station exchanges.
-Course for M.T. drivers being carried out, will Finish on 10th Dec.
-Potential NCOs Course.

(ii) 7 Infantry Regiment

- P.T.
- Route Marches of 24-26 Km.
- Use of Field kitchens
- Tactical drill of platoon and Coy.
- Firing practice with British rifles, just received
- Cadre traning of Bn in the offensive.

(iii) 7 Signal Coy and 7 Pioneers Coy

(a) Both Units

- P.T.
- Firing practice -Throwing hand grenades.
- M.T. course. 5 soldiers have carried out a course for M.T. drivers at 7 Transport Coy.
- Officers took part in a cadre training at 7 Inf. Regt.

(b) Pioneers Coy

- Training on the various types of mines, building of a range, wire fencing, trenches.

(c) Signal Coy.

- Training in laying and rewinding of telephone lines. Exchanges of 30 and 60 lines.
The training programme for the month of November could not be carried out entirely owing to bad weather and shortage of petrol.
Some exercises had to be done in the barracks.

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(d) Intelligence.

(i) During the month the Municipal elections were held in Massawa. They passed off very quietly and not a single incident was reported.

(ii) Rumours have been heard that Italian Prisoners of War returning to ERITREA from India, are complaining about their treatment when prisoners. They are said to have anti British feelings. It is stressed that this information was received 2nd or 3rd hand.

3. "A"

(a) Domestic (HQ)

(i) Reinforcements.

Officers. 1 Capt. R.A.O.C.

Other Ranks: R.S.M. Sjt. 1
Duty W/O Sjt. 1
Cook A/C 1
R.A.O.C. L/Cpl. Clerk 1
R.E.M.E. L/Cpl. Clerk 1

(ii) Welfare.

Three cinema shows and one dance were held during the month. In spite of there being no other British formations in ERITREA, these were well attended.
A 7 RIF Foot Ball team, mixed British and Italian, has been formed.
Three matches have been played.

7 RIF versus a Local Club - won 3-2
7 RIF versus MECHA - won 3 - 1
7 RIF versus MECHELI lost 4- 2

The latter is a 3rd Division Side.

(b) Italian.

(i) Reinforcements in Strength

HQs. 7 Territorial Command	12% below W/S
Medical Directorate	2% " "
Vehicle Repair Directorate	10% " "
Vets. and Remount Depot	15% " "
Artillery Command	25% " "
Gov. Rome	50% " "

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VI Inf. Group (IS-IVI)	10%	below	W/E
Inf. Gov (7 Bis. 7 Barsers)	5%	"	"

(ii) Deficiencies in specialists.

7 Territorial Command

M.T. Drivers	10%	below	W/E
Mechanics	35%	"	"
+ Other Specialists	13	"	"

+ Includes typists clerks, barbers, shoemakers, cooks hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, carpenters, sanitary workers, masons, tinsmiths electricians, blacksmiths, paperhangers, tailors.

(iii) Discipline

Improving steadily.

(iv) Pay. The 70% increase in Officers pay that is about to become operative is much appreciated. Bachelor officers talked to say, that it will give them (unlike the British Army ! !) a sufficiency to live on, in a very quiet way. This increase had had a good effect on morale, but officers with families say that even with the increase their pay is still insufficient.

(v) Morale.

Improving but many people still worry about the final terms of the Peace Treaty.
The continually mounting cost of living and lack of accomodation tends to have a bad effect on morale.

(vi) Leave. N.T.R.

(vii) Public Relations and Welfare.

(a) Ceremony at Cemetery 2 Nov'46

At 0930 hours on 2 Nov. 46 (Festa dei Morti) a ceremony to commemorate the fallen of the Italian Army was held at [illegible] Cemetery, [illegible]. GSO II accompanied by Lt/Col. [illegible], of 7 MD attended the ceremony and laid a wreath inscribed "In Homage to the fallen of the Italian Army From their British comrades in Arms."
Two companies of the "GARIBALDI" Regt. formed the guard of honour, there were present also many veterans Garibaldini in their traditional red caps

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and jackets. A stone commemorating the fallen soldiers of the "GARIBALDI" in this war, was unveiled by Col. RAVNICH, Commander of the "GARIBALDI" Regt.

At the conclusion of the ceremony Col. CROSSO thanked the Officers and men of 7 BLU on behalf of the Italian Commander, for their wreath.

A cordial letter of thanks was subsequently received from 7 T.C.

(b) Ceremony at British Empire Cemetery on Nov. 11th

A small memorial ceremony was conducted at the above cemetery by the resident civilian C. of E. Padre. Local British civilians, including the British Consul, and also members of 7 BLU, were present. A guard of honour was provided by the FOLGORE Division, and three Italian Officers were present, one of whom laid a wreath on behalf of 7 T.C. and the Italian Army.
Wreaths were laid by the B.L.U. on the graves of 1 officer and 9 OR's of 11 Bn. The Lancashire Fusiliers who fell in action at or near FIORENCE while under the Command of G30 I 7 BLU.
(See photos in HR packet)

4. "Q"

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Transport.

For full details see return forwarded under BLU/23 dated 1.12.46.
(a) A 3 tonner was collected from 18 Vehicle Park CASERTA on 9th Nov. This appears to be an excellent vehicle and will be most useful.

(b) The H.U.P. that was to come from 4 BLU was B.L.R.
It is understood that HQ. MMIA are providing a Jeep in lieu of this vehicle.
This Jeep is most urgently required.

(ii) Accommodation.

Considerable correspondence and several telephone conversations between 7 BLU and HQ. MMIA have taken place on this subject during the month. The salient fact that emerges is that both the DAA & QMG and the Br. other Ranks will have to vacate VILLA PRIMAVERA.

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Alternative accomodation has been found for the Offs at No. 252 Via Gabriele D'Annunzio GETTIGHANO - MODENA.
Italian sappers are at present carrying out necessary works on this house and it is hoped to move in about 20th Dec.
DA & QM has found accomodation at GETTIGHANO.. This is within a few hundred yards of the OFS billet. He hopes to move in before Xmas.

(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.

Still deficiencies in vehicles of the W.E.
The Ministry of War promised to assign as soon as received.
Still shortage of tyres for cars. The Ministry of War has assigned a few.
The allotment of funds for repairs to vehicles has been decreased. Owing to this, the number of inefficient vehicles will increase.

(ii) Arms and Amn.

(a) "FOLGORE" Div.
Ammunition allotment completed on the basis of new W.E.
Vickers M.G. substituted by MOD 31, ammunition W.E. completed.
Recce Group 8th Lancers -Ministry of War has assigned the allotment of ammunition for 37 mm. gun and Browning 300 M. (Staghound armoured cars). This ammunition is arriving from T.C. of MANI.

(b) 7 Inf. Regt. British arms issued.

(c) Other Units. Ammunition W.E. is being completed.
A powder magazine has been built at MADONNA dei BASSO to store 1st line and training ammunition of GARIBALDI Regt, 7 Inf. Regt, MOBO Regt, and other units.

(iii) Clothing and Equipment

(a) Mattresses are being manufactured.
(b) Another winter uniform is being issued.
(c) Clothing and equipment for the next call up is being made.

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(iv) Rations & Fuel.

The Military Bakery, FLORENCE, commenced to function on the 1st Nov.

(v) Barrack Stores.
Furniture for Messes manufactured and issued.

(vi) Accommodation.

(a) FLORENCE

Work being carried out: -
- At ROVEZZANO Barracks.
- Commissariat Depot VIA PORTANUOVA GIULIANI
- SCANDICCI Barracks
Heating system roof.
- PORTENZA DA RASO- Anti fire precautions.

(b) PISA.

UMBERTO I Barracks - Work being carried out and water system improved.

(c) LUCCA

UMBERTO I Barracks - Kitchen and baths being repaired.

(vii) P.O.L.

The allotment of petrol, already decreased by 30% has been reduced by 50%, owing to difficulties in import.
Only urgent and necessary duties are being carried out.

(viii) Medical.

(a) 4 Rail Trucks of captured Medical Stores arrived at the ISTITUTO during the month of November.
47 Rail Trucks of Medical Stores and Equipment arrived from MILANO during the same month.
MILITARE continue to occupy 4 buildings belonging to the ISTITUTO CHIMICO FARMACEUTICO MILITARE, which are urgently required by the Italian Military Authorities for storage coming from MILANO and Allied Sources. See previous Reports.

(b) The Field Hospital and disinfectant section went to PORTO S. STEFANO on 27 October to help

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the population during the typhus epidemic, has returned.
During the period they were in that wone, they carried out following duties: -

-Organization of a temporary hospital.
-Disinfection of houses.
-Transport of sick
-Water system at the barracks was controlled.

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LOCATION STATEMENT 7 M.I.U.

OFFICE

Lt. Col. MARKS — No. 1 Piazza della Stazione — FIRENZE
Major [redacted] — Via Lorenzo Magnifico 20 — Tel. 23601
Major HARRISON — Villino "VILLA PRIMAVERA" Tel. 23658
Capt. TAYLOR — Via Lorenzo Magnifico 20 Tel. 23601
Capt. [redacted] (Asst) — Via Pian dei Giullari 38 Tel. 20360
Capt. [redacted] — Via Lorenzo Magnifico 20 Tel. 23601

Capt. [redacted] — [redacted]

[redacted]

British CRI's at VILLA PRIMAVERA - Tel. FIRENZE 23624.

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Appendix 'A' to 7 TAU letter
AAG/30 dated 4 December 1944

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Mission statement of all units in 7 Tactical Bombardment Wing as of 4 Dec 44

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
Hq. 7 Bmf. Bmgt.	Florence	
1st Bn.	Florence	
2nd Bn	Florence	
3rd Bn	Florence	
Martlesham Hgt	Florence	
Hq. 7 O.A.F.	Pisa	
1st & 2nd Bns	Pisa	
3rd Bn	Arezzo	
Hq. "Thunderbolt" Bmf. Bmt	Florence	
"Thunderbolt" Bmf. Bmgt. Co	Pistoia	
1st Bmf. Bn.	Pistoia	
2nd " "	Pistoia	
3rd " "	Pistoia	
"Thunderbolt" Bmf. Bmgt.	Serravezza	
1st Bmf. Bn.	Serravezza	
2nd " "	Serravezza	
3rd Bmf. Bn.	Serravezza	
12th Army Bmgt. Co.	Lucca	
No. 1 (B) = 1st Bdy	Pisa	
" 2 (B) = 1st Bdy	Lucca	
" 3 (B) = 1st Bdy	Pisa	
" 4 (B) = 1st Bdy	Lucca	
" 5 (F) = 1st Bdy	Lucca	
" 6 (B) = M/M A.A. Bdy	Pisa	
Bmoon Group	Florence	
12th Bmgt. Co. "Thunderbolt"	Florence	
Central School (Combined)	Florence	
1st Bmt Brigade	Florence	
12th Mob. Bmt. Group	Florence	
Florence Region	Florence	
Reserve Group	Florence	
Internal Group	Florence	
Pistoia Group	Pistoia	
Arezzo Group	Arezzo	
Siena Group	Siena	
Leghorn Region	Leghorn	
Combined Group	Leghorn	
Combined Group	Leghorn	
Combined Group	Siena	
Combined Group	Grosseto	
	Lucca	

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STAFF LIST 7 B.L.U. as at 2.12.46.

General Staff

G.S.O. I. Lieut. Col. C.C. MANNERS R. Fus.

G.S.O. II. Major H.W. HARTLEY Buffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General

DA & QMG Major D.S.L. GREGSON, MBE 5 Inns. D.G.

Services.

S & T Capt. C.W. LOCKYER - Suffolk R.A.S.C.

RE(E) Capt. P.H. BELSEY R.E.M.E.

Attached

MEDICAL L.O. Capt. H.J. [illegible], MBE R.A.M.C.

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7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND FLORENCE
Personal Staff

LIST OF LT. COLS. AND OTHER RANKS ON SITE UNDER HIS COMMAND

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME		APPOINTMENT
Lt. Col.	Carabinieri	BONI	ANDREA	At disposal - Carabinieri FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	GRAZIANI	GUIDO	Carabinieri Legion O.C. - FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	GRIMALDO	LUIGI	At disposal 3rd Bde Carabinieri FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	DI MARCO	CASTELLO	Vice O.C. Carabinieri Legion FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	GRASSO	CARLO	Vice O.C. Carabinieri Legion LEGHORN
"	Carabinieri	BUFFONI	ENZO	O.C. Internal Group Carabinieri FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	GIULIA	ROMEO	O.C. Carabinieri Group PISTOIA
"	Carabinieri	VENTURA	ULISSE	At disposal Carabinieri Legion FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	CARLETI	CARLO	O.C. Carabinieri Group SIENA
"	Carabinieri	FUOCO DI FILIGAIA	UGO	At disposal 7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Adm.	CERULLO	GIOVANNI	Carabinieri Legion FLORENCE
"	Col.	BONDI	ANTONIO	Carabinieri Legion FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	ROSA CARMINI	GIULIANO	Vice O.C. Central Carabinieri School FLORENCE
"	Carabinieri	BUONO	MASSIMINO	Carabinieri Central School FLORENCE
"	Medical	BERNARDO	GIULIO	Carabinieri Central School FLORENCE
"	Inf.	DE MARTINO	ROBERTO	Chief of Staff "FOLGORE" Div.
"	Inf.	CANTARATI	ADRIANO	"FOLGORE" Div. H.Q.
"	Inf.	GIANNONE	LORENZO	"FOLGORE" Div. H.Q.
"	Inf.	(BORGHESE DI ORIGNANO MORMANNO)		"FOLGORE" Regt. Vice O.C.
"	Inf.	SANTAGATHEM	MARIO	"FOLGORE" Regt.
"	Inf.	ORIOLI	ELIO	"FOLGORE" Regt. Vice O.C.
"	Art.	SALVATI	ADRIANO	"FOLGORE" Arty Regt. Vice O.C.
"	Art.	OCCHI	ALBERTO	"FOLGORE" Arty Regt.
"	Art.	AVARINO	VINCENZO	"FOLGORE" Arty Regt.
"	Art.	CROCIATI	CARLO	"FOLGORE" Arty Regt.
"	Art.	CHIAROTTI	ENRICO	Asst. Chief of Staff 7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Engr.	SAVOY	Luigi	"FOLGORE" Engr. Bn. O.C.
"	Inf.	CARACCIO	RICCARDO	702 Refugee Centre LEGHORN
"	Inf.	ARIDO	MARCELLO	702 Refugee Centre LEGHORN
"	Comm.	ALBERTI	PIETRO	Military Commissariat Directorate FLORENCE
"	Comm.	MORERI	CESARIO	Military Commissariat Directorate FLORENCE
"	Inf.	CAPITANI	MARIO	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Inf.	ARDU	LORENZO	Infantry Bn.

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(Cont'd) LIST OF IT OFFICERS WHOSE TRUE IDENTITIES COULD NOT BE DETERMINED

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME		APPOINTMENT
Lt. Col	Inf.	LEANDRI	GUALDO	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Admn.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Administration Directorate
"	Inf.	SPAGNOLO	ARTURO	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	VIRGINIO	Garrison H.Q. FLORENCE
"	Inf.	GIANNELLI	ELIO	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Inf.	CARDARO	GIOVANNI	Garrison H.Q. FLORENCE
"	Engr.	CERONI	MARZIO	Military Engr. H.Q. FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	RENZO	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Engr.	LENZI	PIERO	Military Engr. H.Q. FLORENCE
"	Art.	CERESA	MARIO	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Med.	PIAGGIA	[illegible]	Military Medical Directorate FLORENCE
"	Med.	CARDI	[illegible]	Military Medical Directorate FLORENCE
"	Inf.	PACIOCCHI	NELLO	Comando Nazionale "Giovani" Pavia
"	Art.	BONI	ILIO	Artillery H.Q. FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Infantry H.Q.
"	Inf.	[illegible]	ARTURO RICH.	7 Territorial Command FLORENCE
"	Engr.	POMI	ULDINO	O.C. R.C.M. Zone FLORENCE
"	Engr.	[illegible]	[illegible]	O.C. R.C.M. Sub-Zone PISA
"	Engr.	PANTANI	[illegible]	Engr. Works Directorate FLORENCE
"	Engr.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Engr. Works Directorate FLORENCE
"	Engr.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Engr. Works Directorate FLORENCE
"	Engr.	CORSI	[illegible]	Engr. Works Directorate FLORENCE
"	Engr.	CASTIANO	[illegible]	O.C. Engr Works LEGHORN
"	Inf.	BARBAROSSA	[illegible]	Vice O.C. C.A.R. PISA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	C.A.R. PISA
"	Art.	SORTINI	GIOVANNI	C.A.R. PISA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	C.A.R. PISA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	C.A.R. PISA
"	Art.	[illegible]	[illegible]	6th Bde Group
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Medical Directorate FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Medical Commander War Zones FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Hospital FLORENCE

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d) LIST OF IT COLS ON DUTY WITHIN THE COMMAND - 4 -

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME		ASSIGNMENT	
Lt. Col.	Art.	MECOZZI	SPARTACO	Military Geographical Institute FLORENCE	
"	Inf.	LIGNR	GIUSEPPE	Do	Do
"	Adm.	MILIMINI	LUIGI	Do	Do
"	Inf.	CABAFIGURA	CARLO	Military District FLORENCE	
"	Inf.	FRASSINETI	GUIDO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	COSTANTINO	MARIO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	CALABRESE	GIUSEPPE	Do	Do
"	Inf.	NERI	GIOACCHINO	Do	Do
"	Art.	GRIMALDI	UBERTO	Do	Do
"	Med.	DI GASCIA	GIUSEPPE	Do	Do
"	Inf.	LARI	ALFREDO	Do	Do
"	Art.	FERRARA	ALBERTO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	LUCIFERO	CARMELO	O.C. Military Station FLORENCE	
"	Inf.	DELLA CHIA	FRANCESCO	Military District SIENA	
"	Inf.	CROCI	ADALBERTO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	ARRIGHUCCI	ANGELO	P.O.W. LATERINA Camp	
"	Art.	STELLINI	CARLO	Military District GROSSETO	
"	Art.	MARMU	ENZO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	TOMASELLI	ERMINIO	Military District MASSA	
"	Inf.	GIORGI	LINO MARIO	Do	Do
"	Cav.	RICCI ARMANI	MASSIMO	Military District MASSA	
"	Just.	MARINA	FEDERICO	Military District Massa - LA SPEZIA Tribunal	
"	Just.	PETRELLA	GIOACCHINO	Do	Do Do
"	Inf.	MERLINO	GIOVANNI	Military District LUCCA	
"	Inf.	CONTI	NICOLA	Military District PISTOIA	
"	Inf.	PALMERANI	TULLIO	Do	Do
"	Cav.	GROSSI	ANTONIO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	PESCA	FRANCESCO	Military District PISA	
"	Inf.	PIGA ALFIERI	ANTONIO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	DE MAS	GIULIO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	SCUTO	CARMELO	Do	Do
"	Inf.	CARLINI	IVO	Do	Do
"	Cav.	NERVOCCIA	ROBERTO	Remount Depot, GROSSETO (Director)	
"	Cav.	VITUCCI	GIOVANNI	Remount Depot, GROSSETO	
"	Art.	COSCO	ARMANDO	Remount Depot GROSSETO	
"	Inf.	FEDERICA	EMILIO	A.M. 7 Inf. Regt FLORENCE	
"	Inf.	BONDONI	PERUCCIO	A.M. 7 Inf. Regt FLORENCE	
"	Inf.	CIPELLI	RENATO	Military District AREZZO	

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RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT	
Lt. Col	Cav.	SPICHI	GARIBALDI	Stable Depot AREZZO Director
"	Inf.	AVILA	VITO	Military District of Florence - civil functions
"	Inf.	BOCCHINO	ADRIANO	Military District of Florence - civil functions
"	Inf.	Basti	ANTONIO	Military District of PISA - civil functions
"	Inf.	FARACI	SALVATORE	Military District of PISA - civil functions
"	Art.	VANNUCCHI	FRANCESCO	Military District of PISA - civil functions
"	Art.	MAIOLI	GIUSEPPE	Military District of PISA - civil functions
"	Inf.	CROCCHI	ORESTE	Military District of LUCCA - civil functions
"	Cav.	GIGLA	ARTURO	Military District of LUCCA - civil functions
"	Inf.	DE VITA	SALVATORE	Military District of PISTOIA - civil functions
"	Art.	D'ALESSANDRO	SALVATORE	Military District of AREZZO - civil functions
"	Inf.	PIACCHI	ALFREDO	Military District of MASSA - civil functions
"	Inf.	FIMAZZO	VITO	Military District of SIENA - civil functions
"	Inf.	GARDI	ANTONIO	Military District of AREZZO

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LIST OF OFFICERS OF DUTY WITH 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND AND SUBORDINATE UNITS

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	ASSIGNMENT
Col.	Carabinieri	RAVENNA	GIACOMO	3rd Bde Carabinieri O.C.
"	Carabinieri	GARRAI	CINO	O.C. of [illegible] Legion (Carabinieri)
"	Carabinieri	MARTINI	FRANCESCO	Mobile Sn. Florence O.C.
"	Carabinieri	POLANI	ENIO	Central School Carabinieri Florence O.C.
"	Inf.	DE ANGELO	NINO	"PISTOIA" Div. O.C.
"	Inf.	CARONNO	EMILE	"[illegible]" Regt. O.C.
"	Art.	SAVIOLI	CARLO	"GARIBALDI" Regt. O.C.
"	Art.	MIRANDA	MARIO	"PISTOIA" Arty Regt. O.C.
"	Inf.	[illegible]	ARMANDO	502 Refugee Centre O.C.
"	Gen.	[illegible]	GIUSEPPE	Military Governor at Direttorale FLORENCE
"	Auto.	PASQUATO	ANGELO	Repair Unit Director, FLORENCE
"	Art.	[illegible]	[illegible]	At disposal - 7 Terr. Comd.
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Medical Director M. [illegible]
"	Art.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Chief of Staff - 7 Terr. Comd.
"	Engr.	[illegible]	ARMANDO	Military Engr. Command, FLORENCE
"	Art.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Arty Command, FLORENCE
"	Engr.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Engr. Works Director, FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	At Disposal - 7 Territorial Command.
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	O.C. C.A.S. SIENA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	6th Bsn. Group O.C.
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military Med. School Director, FLORENCE
"	Med.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Medical School - FLORENCE
"	Art.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Artillery Director FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	84 Inf. Depot O.C. FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	O.C. Depot 22 Inf. PISA
"	Art.	[illegible]	[illegible]	O.C. Depot 19 Arty Regt. PISA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Vice Director Military Geographical Institute FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military District O.C. FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military District O.C. SIENA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military District O.C. MASSA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Military District O.C. LUCCA

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LIST OF OFFICERS OF UNIT WHICH YOU COMMAND

RANK	ARM	NAMES AND CHRISTIAN NAMES	APPOINTMENT
Col.	Inf.	[illegible]	Military District O.C. PISTOIA
"	Art.	[illegible]	Military District O.C. LUCCA
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Military District O.C. AREZZO
"	Inf.	[illegible]	7 Inf. Regt O.C. FLORENCE
"	Art.	[illegible]	"FRECCIA" Arty Div. O.C.
"	Inf.	[illegible]	At disposal - 7 Terr. Comd FLORENCE
"	Inf	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Adjutant Judge of Florence Military Tribunal
"	Inf.	[illegible]	At disposal - 7 Terr. Comd FLORENCE
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Inf.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do
"	Art.	[illegible]	Do Do

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(CONT'D) LIST OF OFFICERS OF DUTY UNDER THE COMMAND

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CERTAIN RANK	ASSIGNMENT	
Col.	Art.	OWENS	ENRICO	At disposal - 7 Territorial Command Platoons
"	Art.	SUTTON	S SICO	Do Do
"	Art.	MEANS	ENRICO	Do Do
"	Engr.	BRICE	MONETO	Do Do
"	Inf.	HUNTER II	MARIO	Do Do
"	Inf.	MORRIS	MARIO	Do Do
"	Inf.	RAGO	CIVARRI	Do Do
"	Inf.	LAWTER	RICCARDO	Do Do

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Personnel Office

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LIST OF GENERALS OF THE 5TH 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND AND DEPENDENT UNITS

RANK	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	ASSIGNMENT
Lt. Gen	[illegible]	Military Territorial C.O. of Florence
Div. Genl.	[illegible]	At Disposal
Div. Genl.	[illegible]	At disposal
Div. Genl.	[illegible]	Military Geographical Institute Director
Gdo. Gen	[illegible]	"FOLGORE" Div. G.G.
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	At disposal
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	At disposal
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	At disposal
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	At disposal
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	Military Tribunal President
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	At disposal
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	Terr. Engr. C.C.
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	Terr. Inf. C.C.
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	Terr. Arty. C.G.
Bde. Gen.	[illegible]	At disposal

Appendix "D" to 7 MAU letter
MAU/20 dated 4 December '46.

REPORT on 7 C.A.R. for month ending 30 Nov. 1946

1. Personnel

(a) 1483 Recruits arrived at 7 CAR at the commencement of this last course, 527 were lost on strength for various reasons or were transferred because of former Army service, 1 died and 1603 were sent on specialists courses or to undergo advanced training which left 2352 to complete the course at 7 C.A.R. as infantry.
For full details of this breakdown see our MAU/352 of 27 Nov. 1946.

2. Training

(a) The main course finished on 25 Nov.46 but training of late arrivals (about 200) still continues and is expected to finish about 15 Dec. 1946.

(b) Refresher courses are being run at 7 C.A.R. for Officers selected from all Units in 7 Territorial Command, the duration of the course is 10 days and approx 20 Officers attend each course. Similar courses are being run for NCOs.

3. Accomodation

All proposed repairs both at SIENA and AREZZO have been completed with the result that all barracks occupied by 7 C.A.R. are of a very high standard.

4. Employment

(a) The lack of armourers tools and spare parts for rifles and automatic weapons is causing great difficulty in maintaining the arms of 7 C.A.R. As reported last month, a large percentage of weapons have been rendered u/s by the lack of pare parts.

(b) One set of armourers tools has been promised to 7 Territorial Command by S/C RAOC 6 B.L.O. who is also endeavouring to manufacture the most needed spare parts.

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Appendix "F" to 7 BLU letter
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LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. 7 B.L.U. Location : [redacted]

2. Reptg. Strength

(a) Own Unit 22 (Includes 7 wives and children)

(b) Attached personnel 35 (Includes 23 wives and children mostly awaiting repatriation UK.)

(c) Details of unit concerned in (b). (Allied Screening Commission) (& Transit Personnel)

3. R.A.F. Services

(a) Supplies

(i) Hard : 1 Month collected from 20 BLU BOLOGNA

(ii) Fresh : 1 Month sent from 20 BLU BOLOGNA and stored in Cold Storage [redacted]. 1 Month flour drawn. Local Bakery baking bread. Potatoes, fresh veg. fruit, eggs, fuel & fodder on local purchase.

(b) P.O.L. : Drawn from C.L.P. [redacted]

(c) MT/AFL. : Drawn from D.I.S. BOLOGNA

4. RAF SERVICES

(a) If any, what and where located. : I. of C. Section BOLOGNA. Unit vehicles maintained and repairs carried out by 7 Repair Unit, Italian Army, [redacted].

5. Medical Services

Hospitals etc with whom liaison has been established : American M.I. Room in [redacted] with British Med. Orderly in attendance. Nearest British Field Hospital is in BOLOGNA.

6. Postal Services

How arranged.

(a) Official : Delivered and collected 3 days weekly by 217 Area (Mon - Wed and Fridays) to H.Q. MBLA through 7 Corps Command.

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(c) Details of unit concerned in (5). (Allied Screening Commission)
(6 Lt. Malt Armoured)

3. R.A.F. Servicing

(a) Supplies

(i) Hard : 1 Month collected from 20. BRD BOLOGNA

(ii) Fresh : 1 Month sent from 20. BRD BOLOGNA and stored in Cold Storage FLORENCE. 1 Month flour drum. Local Bakery baking brand. Meatcan, fresh veg. fruit, eggs, fuel & fodder on local purchase.

(b) P.O.L. : Drawn from C.I.P. FLORENCE

(c) MAPE/ET. : Drawn from B.I.S. BOLOGNA

4. RAF SECTION

(a) If any, what and where located. : 1. off C. Section BOLOGNA. Unit vehicles maintained and repairs carried out by 7 Repair Unit, Italian Army, FLORENCE.

5. Medical Services

Hospitals etc with whom liaison has been established : American M.I. Room in FLORENCE with British Med. Orderly in attendance. Nearest British Field Hospital 591 is in BOLOGNA.

6. Postal Services

Now arranged.

(a) Official : Delivered and collected 3 days weekly by 247 Area (Mon - Wed and Fridays) to HQ MTA through 7 Base Command.

(b) Private Mail: Collected by 6 B.I.U. from APO BOLOGNA and despatched to FLORENCE by UNRRA Courier daily.

7. Pay Services.

(a) Officers) 21 Cash Office BOLOGNA.
(b) ORs)

8. Miscellaneous

Any other arrangements for Welfare, Recreation etc. : Mobile Cinema weekly - Unit arrangements.

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"Pegasus" Division w/those were visited every second day.

Work is progressing steadily and the majority is heavy, approaching bed line.

There is a shortage of skilled tradesmen of all trades.

Stores, and spare parts, are in short supply, although the "Pegasus" Division have a good flow of engines being repaired by Ordnance, this does not assist in other services. Carburettors, dynamos and starter motors are being manufactured and repaired by another Div.

Visits.

Lt.Col. [redacted], Lt.Col. Curtis, Lt.Col. [redacted] and Capt. [redacted] visited "Pegasus" Division on the 6th December '44.

(A.Dill Capt)

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Appendix "A" to 7 ALU letter
ALU/20 dated 4 Dec. 1945

CHRONICLE WARRANT OFFICER'S REPORT
FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1945

Ammunition.

1. In accordance with Hq. ICTA 139 Q dated 29th November '45 action has been taken to ascertain the various locations of the British Ammunition which has now been transferred to the Italian Army.

2. From requests made I am informed that sites have been established for the storage of this Ammunition at VERONA and CECINA. I have been given to understand that the tonnage of ammunition involved is approximately 13,500 tons.

3. I have arranged with the Artillery Directorate for visits to be made to the two sites commencing 5 Dec.'45.

4. Pending the arrival of the ammunition examiner and Mobile Ammunition Repair Unit, the issue to B.L.Os of the Ordnance Technical Directives will undoubtedly prove invaluable.

J. E. S. [illegible]
[illegible].
Ordnance Warrant-Officer
7 British Liaison Unit.

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Ref: BLU/20
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Subject: Reports and Returns - End/Beginning Month. Report.

To : M.M.I.A.

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2. Att (in quadruplicate) are the following: -

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(ii) At appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 B.L.U. and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bns. and equivalent Units.

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As there will be only one of each item available it is earnestly requested that the "P.R. PACKET" with contents intact, be returned to this HQ. as soon as possible after being seen by those interested at your HQ.

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Subject: 7 B.L.U. End/Beginning Month Report as at 1.11.46

1. GENERAL

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKS, GSO I 7 BLU, reassumed Command 7 BLU w.e.f. 7 Oct., on his return from leave in UK.

(ii) Sub. Comdr PATTERSONS left on Privleave UK w.e.f. 15 Oct.

(iii) L/Cpl. TYE and Pte. BARNELL have applied to extend their service for 6 months.
Their applications have been forwarded and recommended.

(iv) The two ambulances and drivers attd. 7 BLU are being withdrawn.
The medical orderly is staying on in FLORENCE and does duty in the U.S. M.I. room.

(v) The detachment R. Sigs is also being withdrawn.
This will probably mean the cessation of the S.D.S. from BOLOGNA.
The method of handling 7 BLU mail is under consideration by 217 Area.

(b) British.

(i) Rear party HQ. GR & E left FLORENCE 23 Oct.

(ii) It is understood that the New Sub Area vice 217 Area will definitely be at RICCIONE.

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(d) Visits and Liaison.

Gen. DE SIMONE (Comd 7 T.C.) has been away on duty in ROME since 14 Oct.46. Due to return early Nov.

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3 Oct. '46 The Adjutant General (Gen. Sir R.H O'CONNOR K.C.B., D.S.O., MC) paid a 3 days visit to FLORENCE.

6 Oct. '46 Brig. M.W. HOPE DSO paid a 3 days visit to FLORENCE and during his stay visited: -

GARIBALDI Regt.	(ROVEZZANO Bks FLORENCE)
CASA DEL SOLDATO	(FLORENCE)
7 INF. Regt.	(SCANDICCI Bks FLORENCE)
FOLGORE Eng. Bn.	(SCANDICCI Bks. FLORENCE)

Brig. and Mrs. HOPE also entertained Gen. and Mrs. PIAZZONI and officers of 7 BLU to dinner on 8 Oct.

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COMANDO PRESIDIO	LEGHORN
702 Accomodation Centre	PISA
1 Bty FOLGORE Arty Regt	PISA

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17 Oct.'46 Capt. NELSON (S.C REME) visited FOLGORE Div. workshops, 7 T.C. workshops and Director of Repair 7 T.C.

21 Oct.'46 C.O.C. French Gps in AUSTRIA visited FLORENCE. His A.D.C. visited 7 BLU.

24 Oct.'46 GSO I visited 7 C.A.R. SIENA and SIENA Military District HQ. See separate report BLU/25 of 25 Oct'46

The following visits were made by S & T Officer 7 BLU : -

10 Oct'46 No. 184 Transport Supply Coy "FOLGORE" Div. COVERCIANO Bks FLORENCE and "FOLGORE" DMA See BLU/ST GEN of 11 Oct'46

11 Oct. '46 Ufficio Servizi "FOLGORE" Div. FLORENCE

14 Oct'46 No 78 Food Distribution Depot-LEGHORN See BLU/ST/GEN of 15 Oct'46

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11 Oct. '46	Ufficio Servizi "FOLGORE" Div. FLORENCE	
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30 Oct.'46	No. 7 Food Distribution Depot. FLORENCE	See BLU/ST/G 10 of 31 Oct'46

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2. "G"

(a) Organisation

Domestic (HLN)

(i) Sgt. BARKER, late Chief Clerk 7 HLN, at present on Release leave in UK, has applied to rejoin the Army and 7 HLN.
This matter has been taken up with O/S and was discussed with Lieut.Col. GARDNER.
His return is being closely followed up by this HQ.

(ii) With the close down of MTO Area it is considered that it will probably be necessary to make use of Italian channels of Communication, vide HQMA letter Ref. X500/1/1 of 4 Sept'45 and this HQ. letter ref. HLN/74 of 24 Oct.
This matter has been discussed with 7 T.C. and they are willing to put all their facilities at our disposal.

(iii) Italian. N.T.R.

(b) Employment of troops

(i) FOLGORE Div. Normal guard duties. Instructors have been sent to 7 Medical Coy at LECCE to train recruits.
A Field Hospital and disinfecting Unit has been sent to PORTO S. STEFANO to assist the civil authorities in an epidemic of typhoid fever.
Engineers have been sent to PORTO S. STEFANO to assist the civil authorities in repairing damage caused by a violent storm.

(ii) 7 Inf. Regt. Normal guard duties on barracks and installations. Station duties under the Italian R.T.O. at FIANONE Station.

(iii) 7 Signal Coy. All trained soldiers employed as telephone exchange and W/T operators.

(iv) 7 Engineer Coy. 30% of trained soldiers are employed on general permanent duties.

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(c) Training

(i) "FOGGIA" Div.

(a) Infantry. Two recruits Bns have completed Pl. Trg. and commenced Coy Trg. Field firing by sections has been carried out. Selected good shots have been trained on snipers rifle.

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One transport exercise on road column discipline has been made. Instruction on weapons and army regulations continue. P.T. and sports are carried out regularly. Old soldiers Bns. have carried out revision of individual trg, tactical route marches. Completed fire practices on rifle and LMG. Courses are being run for NCOs and W/T operators. Officers TEWTS are held weekly.

(b) Artillery. Three days live firing has been carried out on the range at BAGNO di CASCIANO, 1925 class recruits have commenced advanced Artillery training. Officer TEWTS are being run.

(c) Engineers. Continued first period of training for two Sapper Coys. Pioneers and Signal personnel commenced second period of training. Recruits of 1925 class carried out infantry training including section approach and attack schemes. A driving course is being run for recruits holding civilian driving licenses.

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Fifteen days intensive training has been carried out on a platoon level, approach, attack and defense schemes together with patrolling were performed. Three route marches of 20-24 Kms have been completed this week.
Weapon training on Italian Arms continues. A few British arms are held by each Coy and training is being carried out on these, remainder will be issued when this training is completed. Four Officers TEWTS have been held this month.

(iii) 7 Engineer Coy & 7 Signal Coy. Both Coys have completed rifle practices and all personnel have thrown three hand grenades. Anti gas training is being carried out. Signal Coy is carrying out specialist training on electrical theory. Engineer Coy is training on explosives and the erection of Bailey bridges.

(iv) General Reports have been received from both 7 Terr. Const. and "FORCES" Div. on the training of recruits received from CARs. These reports were received too late to be included in this monthly report but will be forwarded separately in the next few days MIA letter Try/27 of 10 Sept. refers.

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(d) Intelligence.

(i) No coolness has been noted on the part of Italian officers or civilian although the local newspapers have published several articles against the alleged harsh treatment meted out to Italy in the peace treaty terms.

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3. "A"

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Deficiencies

Officers. 1 Capt. R.A.O.C.

ORs
RASC Sjt. 1
Duty NCO Sjt. 1
Cook ACC 1
RAOC L/Cpl. Clerk 1
RENC L/Cpl.Clerk 1

(ii) Welfare.

Four Cinema shows and three dances have been held during the month at the ORs billet.
These were all well-attended and the farewell dance to G.I. & E on 4 Oct. was a great success.

(iii) Civil Labour.

A Sjt. Inspector from 2900 C.L.U. (BOLOGNA) visited the BLU on 30 Oct.
He was both helpful and highly satisfied with the accounting and administration of Civil Labour in the Unit.

(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in Strength

HQ. 7 TerritorialCommand	14%	below W/E
Medical Directorate	2%	" "
Vehicle Repair Directorate	1%	" "
Vet. and Remount Depot	19%	" "
Artillery Command	27%	" "
7 Ind. Bgrt.	54%	" "
VI Bns Group (EB-EMI)	7%	" "
Engr. Coy (7 Sig. 7 Sappers)	4%	" "

(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists

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	Unclear.	1 Capt. R.A.O.C.
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7 Territorial Command

M.T. Drivers	8% below W/E
Mechanics	30% " "
+ Other Specialists	13% " "

+ Includes typists clerks, barbers, shoemakers, cooks, hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, carpenters, sanitary workers, masons, tinsmiths electricians, blacksmiths, paperhangers, tanners.

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(iii) Discipline.is definitely improving.

(iv) Pay. Nothing to report.

(v) Morale. The terms of the peace treaty and the alleged ingratefulness of the Allies for the help given by ITALY during the war is the cause of bad feeling.

(vi) Leave. Nothing to report.

(vii) Public Relations and Welfare.

(a) G50 I visited 7 CAR soldiers' Club (CASA DEL SOLDATO) at SIENA on 24 Oct. and was satisfied that winter arrangements for Welfare and entertainment are well in hand.

(b) Italian Army Exhibition

A ceremony to open the Italian Army Exhibition took place on Sunday 13 Oct. at 1730 hrs in the PALAZZO MICHELIO and was well attended by the local authorities, both Civil and Military.
This exhibits are mostly photographs and maps showing the history of the Italian forces from the days of the C.I.L. to the present day. The whole Exhibition was very well displayed and showed clearly the continuous activities of the Italian Army since the liberation.
Many photographs were shown of Italians co-operating with British Commanders during the battle; these photographs usually included some ANZIA representative.
There was a conspicuous absence of any photographs or mention of the King of Italy, throughout the complete exhibition.

(c) Ceremony at CASTEL DEL RIO Cemetery

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GSO I at the invitation of Gen. [redacted] (Comd [redacted] Inf. Div) went to CASTEL DEL RIO on Sunday 13 Oct. to attend a ceremony and Requiem Mass at the [redacted] Div. Cemetery, which is very well laid out and carved -for. There are 115 graves of all ranks, fallen during the period after the [redacted] Div. had taken over the line from 6 Brit. Armd. Div. in Feb.45.
Italian General Officers present were:

Gen [redacted]	(Comd 6 T.C. also Rep of M. of W)
Gen. [redacted]	(Rep. Comd 7 T.C.)
Gen. RONCO	(Former Comd [redacted] Div.)
Gen. [redacted]	(Former Comd [redacted] in CIL, later of [redacted] Combat Gp)
Gen. SCATTINI	(Inspector of Inf. M of W)

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Almost all Commanders Staff Officers, and many other officers of FOLGORE Div. were present, including former Mn. Comds of the SAN MARCO Regt. There was also a guard of honour, and Band, of the FOLGORE Div. and a few ex-FOLGORE war- wounded.
Special arrangements had been made by FOLGORE Div. to transport bereaved members of soldiers'families to the cemetery of whom there were a considerable number.
The ceremony, which was most impressive, was conducted by the Vicar-General (MONSIGNOR TROISI) who gave a stirring address, followed by Gen.ITALICUS, from the alter: followed later by a War widow who expressed gratitude on behalf of all bereaved present.
Copies of the FOLGORE Magazine, together with a Commemorative Medal and pictures, were presented to all present.
The ceremony was well reported in local papers (including the presence of the G.S.C. I) See also "PR Packet".

(d) Aid to the population of PORTO S. STEFANO
The population of PORTO S. STEFANO (already damaged by bombing during the War) has been infected by an epidemic of typhus. This District has now been damaged by landslips and floods which caused very great damage and casualties. 7 Terr. Comd. sent a Field Hospital of the "FOLGORE" Div. and an Engineer Unit to remove the rubbb (See para 2 G. (b))

4. "G"
(a) Domestic (ZNU)

(i) Transport. For full details see return forwarded under ZNU/23 dated 1 Nov. Of the three vehicles allotted by MMIA, the 3 Tonner has arrived, no news has been received about the arrival of the H.U.P. from 4 ZNU, and Jeep allotted was collected and arrived 7 ZNU on 29 Oct. in good condition.

(ii) Accommodation. This was the subject of a conversation with Col. CURTIS during his visit to FLORENCE, and of subsequent telephone calls. GSO I and A/Q visited the U.S. Consul FLORENCE, to discuss this matter but the position is still obscure.
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Letters to the Town Major BOLOGNA and the U.S. Consul (copies MMIA, ref MLU/9 dated 23 Oct. 46) have been sent asking them to clarify the position.
In the meantime a Villa, as alternative accommodation for the Br. ORs of this Unit, is held requisitioned by the Town Major, BOLOGNA. This has been hitherto occupied by British personnel of G.R. & E and is in reasonably good order.

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(b) Italian.

(i) Transport. Requests have been sent to the Ministry of War for delivery of at least a part of the outstanding vehicle shortages on the W/E of 7 Inf. Regt. and for the replacement of 3rd and 4th class vehicles of 7 Repair Unit.
The large deficiencies in tyres remain unchanged - the Ministry of War have been informed.

(ii) Arms and Ammn.

(a) FOLGORE Div. Deficiencies in 1st and 2nd line a.m. holdings have been made up. Further stocks of amn. are arriving to complete the increased W/E.
3.inch Mortars have now been replaced by 81 mm Mortars. Eight Mortars have been issued to the regimental mortar Coys of both NEMBO and GARIBALDI Regts.
Amn for these mortars is expected daily.
2250 sets of web equipment have been received from the Artillery Directorate of NAPLES. Forty eight BREDA 37 M. Gs have been received from the Artillery Directorate of VERONA. Twenty four have been issued to each the GARIBALDI and the NEMBO Regts, to replace vickers M.Gs at present held.

(b) 7 Inf. Regt.
All British arms have now been checked and hand-over .
These arms will be issued as soon as the web equipment arrives.

(iii) Clothing and Equipment.

The new khaki winter uniforms (Model 46) are being manufactured locally in order to issue a second winter uniform to all tps in 7 T.C. This second uniform will be used as a walking-out dress. The issue of the normal khaki or grey/green winter uniforms to all units has been completed.

(iv) Rations and Fuel.
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(iv) Rations and Fuel.
Local civilian contracts have been made for the supply of fuel and food for the financial year.
The Military Bakery at RIFREDI has been fully repaired and will start to supply all Units in the FLORENCE Area on 1 Nov.46.
Contracts for the supply of fresh meat to troops in the FLORENCE Area, and pasta for troops in all 7 T.C. are under consideration.

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(v) Barrack Stores
Canvas mattresses and pillows are being manufactured and issued to Units as soon as they are made. 7 CAR is being given priority in these items.
All demands by 7 Terr. Command for tables and chairs have now been met.
Large quantities of salvaged barrack equipment has been received and are being checked.
Contracts have been made for the supply of drinking water, electricity and the cleaning of sewers for units in 7 Terr. Command.

(vi) Accommodation.

(a) [illegible]

A water tank has been installed and repairs carried out at ISTITUTO CHIMICO FARMACEUTICO.
Fire fighting appliances have been installed at all stores and depots.
Minor Repairs are being carried out at VITTORIO VENETO Barracks (Medical School) GUIDONIA Factory (Commissariat SCANDICCI and BOVEZZANO Barracks.

(b) [illegible].

A 30m range is being built for use by 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R
A 300m range will be complete in the near future.
Repairs are being made to the roof of PLAVE barracks.

(c) PISTOIA

Windows are being replaced in a kitchen (for 600) installed at CASERMA FUNZIONALE.

(d) PISA

Repairs are being made to balconies of the ex MILITIA Barracks.

(e) [illegible]

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The allotment of petrol has been reduced by 30% this month owing to the decreased national supply.
The percentage of oil has been increased from 4.1% to 4.37% Owing to the poor condition of the vehicles this is still insufficient and it is considered that 5-6% increase is the bare minimum necessity.

(viii) Medical
A Field Hospital and disinfecting Unit of the FOLGORE Div. was sent to PORTO S. STEFANO (GROSSETO) to assist

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civil population infected by typhoid fever.
Water installations at all barracks in 7 Terr. Comd. have been inspected during the month.
V.D. precautions have been increased. In cooperation with the QUESTURA infected women are detained.

13 Rail Trucks of captured Medical Equipment arrived at the ISTITUTO during the month of October.
52 Rail Trucks of Medical Stores and Equipment arrived from MILANO during October.
MISSIONS continue to occupy 5 buildings belonging to the ISTITUTO CHIMICO FARMACEUTICO MILITARE, which are urgently required by the Italian Military Authorities for Storage and Machinery coming from MILANO and Allied Sources. See previous Reports.

(ix) Miscellaneous.
An Engineer Unit and supplies from the PISCINE Div. have been sent to PORTO S. STEFANO to assist the civil population stricken by a storm.

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Appendix "A" to 7 ESU Letter
[illegible] dated 4 December 1946

[illegible]

No. 1 PLAZA DELA [illegible] - [illegible]

Lt. Col. [illegible]	Via [illegible] 10 Tel. 29306
Major [illegible]	Villino "VILLA [illegible]" Tel. 29303
Major [illegible]	Via [illegible] 10 Tel. 29306
Capt. [illegible]	Via [illegible] 10 Tel. 29306
Capt. [illegible]	Via [illegible] 53 Tel. 29306
Capt. [illegible]	[illegible]

[illegible]

Detach. H.Q.'s at VILLA [illegible] - Tel. [illegible] 29306.

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Appendix "B" to 7 MIS Letter
MIS/XC dated 4 December 1946

MAILING LIST dated 4 December 1946

General Staff

G.S.U.S.A. I.

G.S.U.S.A. II.

Lieut. Col. U.S. ARMY

Major U.S. ARMY

L. Duc.

Duff.

Branch of Military Government & Quartermaster General

DMA & QMC

Major D.A.L. CROCKER, USA

5 Immc. D.C.

Services.

A & E

Capt. C.T. MACHRAY - PARIS

B.A.S.U.S.

ARMY

Capt. D.H. DRAKE

B.B.B.B.

Attached

NAVAL I.O.

Capt. H.G. SPRINGER, USN

B.A.B.U.S.

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Annex "A" to 7 INF letter
[illegible] dated 4 January 1946

LOCATION [illegible] OF U.S. UNITS IN 7 INFANTRY
DIVISION AREA AS OF [illegible]

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
Hq. 7 Inf. Regt.	[illegible]	III-IVI
1st Bn. (ex 909)	[illegible]	A C
2nd Bn. (ex 911 Bn)	[illegible]	A C
3rd Bn (ex 912 Bn)	[illegible]	C C
Regtl Med Coy	[illegible]	A C
Hq. 7 C.A.B.	[illegible]	A A
1st Bn	[illegible]	A A
2nd Bn.	[illegible]	A A
3rd Bn.	[illegible]	A A
Hq. [illegible] Inf. Div	[illegible]	A A
Hedqrs Regt.	[illegible]	A A
1st Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	A A
2nd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	A A
3rd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	A A
"A" [illegible] Inf. Regt.	[illegible]	A A
1st Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	A A
2nd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	A A
3rd Inf. Bn.	[illegible]	A A
184 Am. Regt. Hq.	[illegible]	A A
No. 1 [illegible] Btry	[illegible]	A A
No. 2 [illegible] Btry	[illegible]	A A
No. 3 [illegible] Btry	[illegible]	A A
No. 4 [illegible] Btry	[illegible]	A A
No. 5 [illegible] Btry	[illegible]	A A
No. 6 [illegible] A.A. Btry	[illegible]	A A
184 Regt. Hq. Hq. Battery	[illegible]	A A
Combat Command	[illegible]	A A
Hq. 3 Brigade	[illegible]	A A
H. Med. Bn. Group	[illegible]	A A
[illegible] Battalion	[illegible]	A A
Inf. Group	[illegible]	A A
Inf. Group	[illegible]	A A
[illegible] Group	[illegible]	A A
Armd Group	[illegible]	A A
[illegible] Group	[illegible]	A A
Liaison Battalion	[illegible]	A A
Obs. Group	[illegible]	A A
Gp. Group	[illegible]	A A
Gp. Group	[illegible]	A A
Gp. Group	[illegible]	A A
Gp. Group	[illegible]	A A
Gp. Group	[illegible]	A A

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Appendix "C" to T.A.G.O. letter
AG 320 dated 1 November 1946

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RANK	ARM	NAME AND ORGANIZATION	ASSIGNED
Lieutenant	U. S.		
Lieutenant (Lt. Comdr.)		Retired AUS	Assigned to the Reserve
Lieutenant	U. S.		

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Appendix "C" to 7 INF Infantry
Field Order 4 November 1916

APPENDIX TO THE LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE 7TH INFANTRY REGIMENTAL COMMAND.

RANK	NAME	DUTIES AND CREDITED UNIT	ASSIGNED
Lieutenant Colonel	Inf.	CASUALTY LIST	At disposal
Colonel	Brig.	RETIRED ARMY	At disposal
Lieutenant Colonel	Vet.	TOUR HOME	Assigned to the Reserve
Lieutenant	U. S.		

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Appendix "C" to 7 MIS Letter
MIS/CO dated 1 November 1946

ADDITIONS TO THE LIST OF PERSONS ON DUTY WITH TERRITORIAL ARMED FORCES

AUTH	RANK	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAMES	APPOINTMENT
Awarded.			
Lt.Col.	Arty.	CARLOS CISNEROS	Army Det. Gen. LA GUAJIRA
Promoted.			
Lt.Col.	Inf.	ENRIQUE SEBASTIAN	Assigned to the Reserve.
Lt.Col.	Inf.	BARTOLOMEO GERARD	Transferred to Mil. District of MORENA
Lt.Col.	Engr.	EUGENIO ADOLFO	Promoted Colonel.
Appointed.			
Lt.Col.	Mil. Just.	RAMON FERRERO	From Mil. Tribunal LA GUAJIRA - to Mil. District of MORENA.
Lt.Col.	Mil. Just.	PEDRO GUTIERREZ	From Mil. Tribunal LA GUAJIRA - to Mil. District MORO.

Appendix "D" to 7 BAU letter
BAU/30 dated 4 Nov. 1946

Ranges on 7 C.A.R. for month ending 31 Oct. 1946

1. Personnel

(a) 2927 recruits are under training at 7 C.A.R. As reported last month recruits continue to arrive in small batches throughout the course: these late arrivals will necessitate the training course continuing throughout the monthly break at the end of the normal course. The disorganisation caused both in training programme and in clothing and rationing problems can well be imagined.

(b) The situation of instructors, is steadily improving. Deficiencies are now only two Warrant Officer instructors. 7 C.A.R. have been notified to expect about 4000 recruits at the next course.

2. Accomodation.

(a) Barracks are in first class condition.

(b) Extensive work to the water supply system of LA MARSUSA Barracks has now been completed and no more major repairs are envisaged.

(c) Fresh improvements are noted at each visit for the general "brightening up" of the barracks especially in canteens and messes.

(d) The soldiers club CASA DEL SOLDADO in SIENA is steadily improving as funds become available. It has now been decide that major alteration will not be necessary in preparing a dance hall at this club (as reported last month) but that the present rooms on the first floor of the club can be used satisfactorily for this purpose.

3. Training.

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(c) The present course is due to finish on the 16 November 1946. A 300 yard and a 30 yard range at ABUKIR are nearing completion.

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4. Equipment

A large percentage of small arms have been rendered u/s by the lack of spare parts. Apart from recruits not being able to zero their rifles, L.M.G.s are now in such a poor state that the same selected guns are used, continuously, for range practises. The greater part of these defects could be repaired by unit armourers if only they had the spares. If these same, overworked, automatic weapons are to be used without repair for the next course, training will be seriously hampered.

5. Clothing.

The arrival of Winter uniform has been advised to 7 C.A.R. They will be issued about the middle of November.
Great-coats are of different types both khaki and the short dark green type. To ensure uniformity of dress the 3rd Bn. at ARRZOO has been issued with all the short dark green coats, whilst the other two Bns. at [redacted] have all khaki greatcoats.

6. Welfare.

(a) Canteens in all barracks are now fully furnished complete with writing rooms.

(b) The soldiers club at the "CASA DEL SOLDATO" building is now holding three dances a week in the dance hall on the first floor. These dances are very well attended and tickets have to be strictly rationed.

(c) No further grant of money for the improvement of this club has been received from the Ministry of War.

7. Visits.

(a) 8 Oct.46 Brig. H.W. [redacted] visited 7 C.A.R. accompanied by GSO II and DAA & QMG 7 Bde. He was met on arrival by the Commandant, Col. COLLIVA, and Staff officers. The party watched training in progress and then was conducted on a tour of LA MANDRA Barracks and was shown barrack rooms, canteens ration stores, class rooms, kitchens and dining halls.
A similar visit was then paid to PIAVE Barracks.
On returning to the HQ. the party was entertained for a short time in the Officers Mess following which Brig. [redacted] and Col. COLLIVA held a short conference. Before leaving LA MANDRA Bks. the B.G.S. inspected 1st and 2nd Bn. of recruits and expressed to Col. COLLIVA his great approval on what he had seen.

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(b) 22 Oct.'46 Four Generals and twenty two Colonels and Lt. Colonels of 7 Territorial Command were conducted on a tour of 7 CAR to see how the new system of training was working.

(c) 24 Oct.'46 GSO I 7 MLD visited 7 C.A.R.(See separate Report MLD/35 of 25 Oct.)

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
[redacted]

REF: BLU/20

4 Oct. 1946

Subject : Reports and Returns- End/ Beginning Month Report.

To : M.M.L.A.

1. Reference 2D/113 dated 27 Dec.'45

2. Att (in quadruplicate) are the following: -

(i) End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 Oct'46.

(ii) At Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 B.L.U. and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bns. and equivalent Units.

(iii) At Appx "B" is Staff List of 7 B.L.U.

(iv) At Appx "C" is amendment to Staff List of all Italian Officers in the Command of the rank of Lt. Col. and above.

(v) At Appx "D" is Progress Report on G.A.R. SIENA.

(vi) At Appx "E" is Report by ORD. W.O.

(vii) At Appx "F" is Special Report on the New Administrative arrangements in [redacted].

(viii) At Appx "G" is Report on visit to "NEMO" Regt.

D.S.L. [redacted]
Major
DA & QMG

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To : M.I.14.

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D.S.L. GOODER
Major
DA & QMG

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject : 7 B.L.U. Mod/Reopening Month Report as at 1 Oct. 1946

1. GENERAL.

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Capt. P. NELSON BEE was granted 7 days local leave w.e.f. 15 Sept.

(ii) No. 14025328 L/Cpl. HALFORD E. was promoted Cpl. w.e.f. 1 Sept to fill an existing vacancy in W.E.

(iii) No. 14069298 Pte TREED K. was promoted L/Cpl. w.e.f. 1 Sept vice L/Cpl. HALFORD promoted Cpl.

(iv) No. 14263926 Pte [redacted], RASC reported for duty as a clerk on 9 Sept.

(v) L/Cpl. TREED reported for duty ex leave UK on 25 Sept.

NOTE. Private letters from Lieut. Col. MARRIS indicate that he should arrive VILLACH 3rd or 4th Oct. and should be in FLORENCE approx 7th Oct.

(b) British.

(i) 309 Transit Camp closed down w.e.f. 10 Sept and has been transferred to KLAGENF. See Appx "F" of this report.

(ii) 2900 C.L.U. closed down w.e.f. 26 Sept. This Unit is now in BOLOGNA.

(iii) On 6th Sept. a conference was held at this Office to discuss the future policy for the administration of British Ops remaining in FLORENCE after Sept 10th.
Present - AA & QMG 217 Area
OC G.R. & E
OC A.S.C.
DAA & QMG) 7 B.L.U.
Capt RAOC)

Admin instructions were subsequently drawn up by 7 BLU and are working satisfactorily.

(iv) G.R. & E [redacted] from FLORENCE to BLU section

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Present - AA & QMG 2I7 Area
CC G.R. & E
CC A.E.C.
DAA & QMG
Sept RASC } 7 B.L.U.

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(iv) G.R. & E are moving from KLAGENFURT to VILLACH sometime before 15th Oct.

(c) Italian.

(i) Lieut. FRANCHINI was granted 7 days local leave w.e.f. 7 Sept'46.

(ii) On 27 Sept a party of 10 Italian wives of Br. soldiers reported to this HQ. for repatriation to UK, to rejoin their husbands.

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Their documentation was inspected and they were eventually despatched to BOLOGNA where they were to be met by 217 Area.
This was quite a party as each wife arrived with at least 6 relations!!

(a) Visits and Liaison.

The programme of visits interrupted by the Elections and the hot weather have been recommenced with the approval of General DE GINDER.

4th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 7 AMCON. TRANSPORT COY - FORTEZZA DA BASSO FLORENCE — See HQ/ST/G 10 of 5 Sept'46 ref.

4th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 7 AMB. CAR SECTION - FLORENCE — See HQ/ST/G 10 of 5 Sept'46 ref.

16th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited UFFICIO SERVIZI "FOLGORE" Div. FLORENCE

17th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 7 FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT - FLORENCE — See HQ/ST/G 10 of 10 Sept'46 ref.

19th Sept'46 A/Q and GSO II visited CC.RR. CENTRAL SCHOOL and MOBILE Sn. FLORENCE — See CC.RR. report forwarded under

19th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 77 FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT - ANCONA — See HQ/ST/G 10 of 26 Sept'46 ref.

20th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 76 FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT - PESARO — See HQ/ST/G 10 of 26 Sept'46 ref

23th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 6 FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT - BOLOGNA — See HQ/ST/G 10 of 26 Sept'46 ref.

26th Sept'46 GSO II visited HQ. 2nd and 3rd Bn. Mortar Coy. Support Coy of the NRBDO Regt. at PISTOIA. — See Appx "G" to this Report

28th Sept'46 A/Q and GSO II accompanied by Lieut. Col. CHIARIOTTI Asst C. of S. 7 T.C. visited 7 C.A.R. SIENA. — See Appx "I" to this report

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4th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 7 ADMIN. TRANSPORT DEPOT - FORTEZZA DA BASSO PLACENTIA	See HLI/ST/G 10 of 5 Sept'46 ref.
4th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 7 AMB. CAR SECTION - FLORENCE	See HLI/ST/G 10 of 5 Sept'46 ref.
16th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited MOTOR SERVICE "FALCONE" Div. FLORENCE	
17th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 7 FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT - FLORENCE	See HLI/ST/G 10 of 19 Sept'46 ref.
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20th Sept'46 S & T Officer visited No. 75 FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT - PESARO	See HLI/ST/G 10 of 26 Sept'46 ref
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26th Sept'46 GSO II visited HQ. 2nd and 3rd Bn. Mortar Coy. Support Coy of the MACAU Regt. at PISTOIA.	See Annex "C" to this report
28th Sept'46 A/Q and GSO II accompanied by Lieut. Col. CHIARIOTTI Asst C. of S. 7 T.C. visited 7 C.A.R. SIENA.	See Annex "D" to this report

30th Sept'46. G.O.C. MAIA
Brig. H.W. MORE D.S.O.
Col. NORMAN E. FINCH
were present at a Field Firing exercise carried out by the FOLKER Div.
GSO II was present from 7 B.L.U.

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2. "G"

(a) Organisation

Domestic.

(i) Consequent to the necessity of opening a D.I.D. at this HQ. a local civilian, Mrs. [illegible], has been employed extra to W.E.
This employment was sanctioned by 217 Area.

(ii) Also consequent to the above and the necessity of office space for the APO and detachment R. Sigs, a rearrangement of the Offices has been carried out. Changes in telephone numbers are as follows: -

	Office	Residence
1 DAA & QMG	293619	293628
2 GSO II	293620	Offrs Mess 293601
3 R. Sigs & APO	293655	
4 W.O. Cnd.	No telephone	
5 Typists Pool	293621	

(iii) Italian: N.T.R.

(b) Employment of Tps.

(i) [illegible] Div. Great efforts have been made to keep employed troops to a minimum in order to train maximum numbers. The following services have been carried out: - Normal guard duties on barracks, escorts for recruits assigned to II C.A.R. at PALERMO, instructors to train recruits of 7 Medical Coy at [illegible].

(ii) 7 Inf. Regt.
A recruit Dn. has been formed in the

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This employment was mentioned by 217 Area.

(ii) Also consequent to the above and the necessity of office space for the APO and detachment R. Sigs, a rearrangement of the Offices has been carried out. Changes in telephone numbers are as follows: -

	Office	Residence
1 DAA & QMG	293619	293628
2 GSO II	293620	Offrs Mess 293622
3 R. Sigs & APO	293655	
4 W.O. Cyd.	No telephone	
5 Typists Pool	293621	

(iii) Italians: N.T.R.

(b) Employment of Pte.

(i) KASSEL Div. Great efforts have been made to keep employed troops to a minimum in order to train maximum numbers. The following services have been carried out: - normal guard duties on barracks, escorts for recruits assigned to II C.A.R. at PALERMO, instructors to train recruits of 7 Medical Coy at LUCCA.

(ii) 7 Inf. Regt.

A recruit Bn. has been formed in the regiment who are exempt from all duties other than training. The following services have been carried out: normal guard duties ; station duties under Italian R.T.O. at FLORENCE station; general duties in barracks.

(iii) 207 Signal Coy.

All trained soldiers employed as exchange and W/T operators.

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(iv) 107 Engineer Coy

24 of the 80 trained soldiers were employed on general permanent duties.

(c) Training.

Recruits Bns

(i) General. One recruits training bn. has been formed in each regiment, at the beginning of this month these bns. had attained a standard of individual training. During the month section training has been completed and first exercises in attack and defence on a platoon level have been carried out. Training has included patrols, street fighting and river crossing. Two firing practises with each rifle, [redacted] and [redacted] have been carried out.

(ii) Trained Bns.

Have carried out live field firing exercises on section and platoon levels. Each Coy has carried out a company exercise with supporting Mortar platoon, without firing.
One company supported by 3" Mortar platoon and M.M.G. platoon carried out a live firing exercise.

(iii) Artillery.

Recruits from C.A.R. are concentrated in one group and are concentrating on gun drill and theoretical battery tactical training. Two firing practises on each [redacted], rifle and [redacted] have been completed.
Courses for L/Cpl. and M.T. drivers are in progress.
Trained soldiers are carrying out group tactical training.

(iv) 7 Inf. Regt.

The recruits bn. moved to the Area N. PRATONI FOSSIO ALLE TORRE for a period of 13 days training from 7-23 Sept. The following training has been performed:-
Attack, defence and consolidation on a pl.

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(iv) 7 Inf. Regt.

The recruits bn. moved to the Area M. PRATONE: POGGIO ALLE TORTORE for a period of 13 days training from 7-28 Sept. The following training has been performed:-
Attack, defense and consolidation on a pl. level, together with wood fighting; two route marches of 18 kms. Weapon training on both British and Italian Arms, two rifle practises.
Weapon training courses are being run for both officers and NCOs.

(a) Intelligence.

(i) No officers have noticed the "coolness"

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discussed so much recently, with either Italian officers or civilians.
The reception we received from both Col. CELLINA and his staff and Lieut. Col. CHIARIONI, during the visit to the C.A.R. could not have been more cordial and cooperative .
Capt. RASC reports that he always receives the greatest possible cooperation and hospitality during his tours.
Mr. CRs however state that they have noticed a slight "cooling off" in their relations with Italian friends but state this is rapidly disappearing.

(ii) Rumours still persist amongst the CRs of the POLCOMS that they are to change stations with the FRIULI Div. No official intimation of this, either from British or Italian sources has been received.

3. "A"

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Deficiencies

CRs	RASC Sjt.	1
	Duty NCO Sjt	1
	Cook ASC	1
	RAOC L/Cpl Clerk	1
	REME L/Cpl Clerk	1

(ii) Welfare

On the close down and transfer of 309 Transit Camp it was possible to obtain a quantity of Welfare Stores. These comprised sofas, easy chairs, tables and above all a good billiard table which is extremely popular.
Arrangements have been made whereby a Mobile Cinema visits the CRs billet every Friday.
So far two shows have been given and both were excellent.
They were well attended by other Units in FLORENCE, and their friends.
After the Cinema performance on 27th, an all ranks dance was held, this was most successful and it is proposed to hold these dances once a fortnight throughout the winter.

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3. War

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(i) Deficiencies

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	Duty NCO Sjt	1
	Cook ADC	1
	RAOC L/Cpl Clerk	1
	RE L/Cpl Clerk	1

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A farewell dance to C.R. & E is being given on 4 Oct.

(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in Strength

HQ. 7 Territorial Command	24%	below W/S
Medical Directorate	7%	" "
Vehicle Repair Directorate	45%	" "
Vet.and Remount Depot	19%	" "
Artillery Command	38%	" "
Engineer Command	30%	" "
7 Inf. Regt.	51%	" "
HQ. 7 C.A.R.	10%	" "

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(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists

7 Territorial Command

MT Drivers	50%	below W/E
Mechanics	30%	" "
Artificers	40%	" "
W.T. Operator	10%	" "
Telephonists	10%	" "
+ Other Specialists	20%	" "

+ Includes typists clerks, barbers, shoemakers, cooks, hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, carpenters, sanitary workers, masons, tinsmiths electricians, blacksmiths, paperhangers, tanners.

(iii) Discipline. Much improved owing to the discharge of older classes.
Young soldiers find it somewhat difficult to understand the necessity for discipline, but are very well behaved on the whole.

(iv) Mor. Still many grouses as the cost of living is stated to be rising.

(v) Morale. The internal Italian situation, far more than external affairs, has a depressing affect generally.
This is reflected in the Army and all ranks are worried as to the future.

(vi) Leave. No difficulties reported.

(vii) Public Relations, Welfare
Press. The press appears to be lethargic towards the Army, except that some attacks on officers appeared in communist papers.

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4. "G"

(a) Domestic (MLS)

(i) Transport For full details see return submitted under ref MLU/23 dated 1 Oct'45. See Annex "I" to this report
No replacement has as yet been received for HQ W.D. M 5909872.
All possible sources have been explored with

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(a) Domestic (MLM)

(i) Transport For full details see return submitted under ref MLM/25 dated 1 Oct'45. — See Annex "E" to this report
No replacement has as yet been received for HHP W.D. M 5903872.
All possible sources have been explored with a view to replacing this vehicle, but without success.
In view of the largely increased commitments of this unit, the replacement of this vehicle has become vital. This will be discussed with Lieut. Col. CURTIS on his visit to FLORENCE on 6 Oct. — See our letter MLM/25 dtd 2 Oct refers

(ii) Accomodation. During the month the following moves from the Excelsior Hotel have taken place.

A/G and Family to VIAREGGIO - Villa SERAVEZZA

Maj. H. HAMILTON) to Officers Mess
Capt. SEIFFERT) No. 10 Lorenzo Magnifico

Capt. LOCKWOOD TAGGART to No. 32 Pian Dei Giullari.

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Unfortunately the owner of the Villa PRIMAVERA and VILLINO has reappeared in FLORENCE. He is a Hebrew Gentleman but an American Citizen. I had a long interview with him and he is willing to let us keep both premises till 31 Dec. This matter will be fully discussed with Lt. Col. CURTIS on his visit.

(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.
Many tyres still deficient, especially for lighter vehicles.

(ii) Arms & Ammunition.
British arms have arrived in 7 T.C. and are being checked.

(iii) Clothing and Equipment.
6000 wool uniforms, K.C., are being manufactured for 7 C.A.R. and 7 T.C.

(iv) Rations.
Reserves of forage and wood are being accumulated for 1946/47.

(v) Barrack Stores.
See Gnl. Report - Appx "E".

(vi) Accommodation.

(a) FLORENCE. Work carried out.

-Repair of NOVOLI sheds (Military Geographical Institute)
-Repair to Vitt. Emanuele Barracks (CC. Central School)
-Water installation for Mess of ROVEZZANO Barracks. (GARIBALDI Regt)
-Water installation at ISTITUTO CHIMICO FARMACEUTICO.

Work being carried out.

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(b) SIENA. Work carried out.
LA MARMORA Barracks -Water installation
MAZZINI Barracks. Various works.
Ranges. Built up.

(c) AREZZO. Work at CADORNA Barracks carried out.
Repairs of roof at PIAVE Barracks and building of ranges.

(d) PISTOIA. FUNZIONALE Barracks. Work to fencing wall and roof carried out.

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LIVORNO. [illegible] Barracks. Work carried out.

PISA. Ex MILITIA Barracks- Terraces being repaired.

(vii) P.O.L. and Tyres.

Percentage of oil for motor is increased from 3.5% to 4.1%. This percentage is still insufficient owing to the bad condition of the vehicles.
It is requested 5 - 6% be allotted . There is difficulty in drawing P.O.L. from CIP with barrels, this wastes time.
The Ministry of War have promised to assign a tank - lorry.

(viii) Medical.

Water installations of the barracks inspected.
The use of D.D.T. as antifly and antimosquito measures appears to be most satisfactory.
Antivenereal precautions have been increased in cooperation with Questura for indentifying women infected.
Many vaccinations have been carried out.

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HQ 10 Gp & 1 Corps

LOCATION STATEMENT 7 A.L.U.

OFFICER	No. 1 PIAZZA DELLA REPUBBLICA - FLORENCE
Lt. Col. WARREN	On leave UK.
Major GRIGGS	Villino "Villa PRIMAVERA" - Tel. 293633
Major HUNTLEY	Via Lorenzo Magnifico No.10 - " 293601
Capt STEPHENS	Via Lorenzo Magnifico No.10 - " "
Capt TAYLOR	Via Pian dei Giullari No.38 No telephone as yet
Capt. WILSON	BY HAND

CONFIDENCE

British G.R's at VILLA PRIMAVERA - Tel. FLORENCE 293624.

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FLU/20 dated 4 Oct. 1944

LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS IN 7 TERRITORIAL

CENTERS ARMY AS AT 8 OCTOBER 1944

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
Hq. 7 Inf. Regt.	FLORENCE	XXI-XII
1st Bn. (ex 909)	FLORENCE	" "
2nd Bn. (ex 511 Bn)	FLORENCE	" "
3rd Bn. (ex 512 Bn)	FLORENCE	" "
Mortars Coy	FLORENCE	" "
Hq. 7 C.A.R.	SIENA	" "
1st Bn.	SIENA	" "
2nd Bn.	SIENA	" "
3rd Bn.	AREZZO	" "
Hq. FOLGORE Inf. Div.	FLORENCE	" "
Nembo Reg.	PISTOIA	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	PISTOIA	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	PISTOIA	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	PISTOIA	" "
"CANTRARI" Inf. Regt.	MONTELUPO	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	MONTELUPO	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	MONTELUPO	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	MONTELUPO	" "
184 Art. Rgt. Hq.	LUCCA	" "
No. 1 25-Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No. 2 25-Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No. 3 25-Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No. 4 25-Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No. 5 17-Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No. 6 40 m/m A.A. Bty	LUCCA	" "
184 Mngr. Bn. Hq. FOLGORE	FLORENCE	" "
Central School	FLORENCE	" "
Hq. 3 Brigade	FLORENCE	" "
Hq. Mob. Bns. Group	FLORENCE	" "
FLORENCE Legion	FLORENCE	" "
Int. Group	FLORENCE	" "
Int. Group	FLORENCE	" "
PISTOIA Group	PISTOIA	" "
AREZZO Group	AREZZO	" "
SIENA Group	SIENA	" "
LEGHORN Legion	LEGHORN	" "
CC. Group	LUCCA	" "
CC. Group	MASSA	" "
CC. Group	GROSSETO	" "
CC. Group	LUCCA	" "
CC. Group		

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Appendix "F" to 7 BLH letter BLH/22 dated 3rd [illegible]

STAFF LIST 7 B.L.H. as at 3.9.45

General Staff

G.S.O. I. — Lieut. Col. G.O. MARCUS — L. Pro.

G.S.O. II. — Major H.W. INGLIS — Duffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General

DA & QMG — Major D.S.L. CRERAR, MBE — 3 Inns. D.G.

Services.

S & T. — Capt. C.W. L. LOCKWOOD SMITH — RASC

RE — Capt. P.H. NELSON — RE

Attached

MEDICAL I.O. — Capt. H.Q. [illegible], RAMC

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ARRIVALS AT THE HOT SPRINGS ON DATE WITH 7 PERSONS OR MORE

NAME	AGE	HOME AND OCCUPATION	ACCOMPANIED BY
[illegible]			
[illegible]		N. C.	
[illegible]			

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[redacted] ON LIST ITEM 7 PERSONNEL ORDERED TO OVERSEAS

NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT

R. C.

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ATTACHMENT TO THE LIST OF OFFICERS ON ROLL FOR 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Deceased			
		M. C.	
Transferred			
Col.	Inf.	PASOLI Pietro	Transferred to Territorial Command
Col.	Art.	PETRARCA Saverio	Assigned to the Reserve
Col.	Art.	GRECCHI Mario	Assigned to the Reserve
Appointments			
Col.	Art.	GUIDO Enrico	(Already at disposal) - Assigned to Comportamento Sottufficiali della
Col.	Inf.	PETTANI Fernando	From R. 7 Terr.Comd. - To Military
Col.	Art.	TZO' Aldo	From R. 7 Terr.Comd. - To 4. Inf.
Col.	Art.	QUERCIA Enrico	From R. 7 Terr.Comd. - To 4. Inf.

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Appendix "C" to 7 T.A.O. letter
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[redacted] 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND PERSONS

NAME AND CERTIFICATE NUMBER	ASSIGNMENT
N. C.	
PAGLI Pietro	Transferred to Territorial Command - UDINE
PETRERA Saverio	Assigned to the Reserve
CRICCHIO Mario	Assigned to the Reserve
GRANO Enrico	(Already at disposal) - Assigned to President Commissione Zona Compartimento Ministeriale della MARINA
PECORI Armando	From H. 7 Terr.Comd. - To Military District - FLORENCE
ZEO' Alvaro	From H. 7 Terr.Comd. - To H. Inf. Depot
QUERCIA Enrico	From H. 7 Terr.Comd. - To H. Inf. Depot

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ASSIGNMENTS TO THE LIST OF U.C.O.s. ON DUTY WITH 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

RANK	ARM	NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increased			
Lt.Col.	Engr.	BACIALLI Gianfranco	Military Engineer Works Directorate
Lt.Col.	Art.	PERSANO Alberto	Military District of FLORENCE
Lt.Col.	Inf.	GALLERA Pietro	Military Geographical Institute
Lt.Col.	Inf.	FLORIS Arturo Riccardo	H.Q. 7 Territorial Command
Lt.Col.	Cav.	VITTORI Giovanni	Subtreasury Treasury Depot - GROSSETO
Lt.Col.	Art.	MORINI Ezio	Military District - GROSSETO
Increased			
Lt.Col.	Art.	FERRUCCI Luigi	Extra leave of 75 days
Lt.Col.	Inf.	BIANCHI Luigi	Assigned to the Reserve
Lt.Col.	Art.	CANDIDI Augusto	Extra leave of 60 days
Lt.Col.	Art.	LAZZARINO Leucadio	Put out T.E. as acting civilian em
Lt.Col.	Inf.	DONDOLONI Nicholo	Assigned to the Reserve
Lieutenants			
Lt.Col.	Comm.	MORINI Giorgio	From Detached Section of Military C Directorate, FLORENCE.

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CIVIL OFFICIALS OF THE 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND TRIESTE

NAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
BACIALLI Gianfranco	Military Engineer Works Directorate
PECORA Alberto	Military District of TRIESTE
GALLEA Pietro	Military Geographical Institute
FLORIS Antonio Edoardo	H.Q. 7 Territorial Command
VITERBI Giovanni	Reinforcement Remount Depot - GORIZIA
MERLI Ines	Military District - GORIZIA
PETRUCCI Luigi	Extra leave of 75 days
BALDUCCI Luigi	Assigned to the Reserve
GARZERI Augusto	Extra leave of 60 days
RAPALLINO Leonardo	Put out E.E. as acting civilian duty.
INTERLANDI Michele	Assigned to the Reserve
MALUSARI Giorgio	Ex-detached Section of Labour Commissariat to Commissariat Directorate, MILANO.

Appendix "F" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 4 Oct 46

REPORT ON 7 C.A.R. FOR MONTH ENDING 30 SEPT'46

1. Personnel

(a) Great difficulty has been experienced through recruits not arriving punctually at the commencement of the course. They continue to arrive in "dribs and drabs" throughout the course, e.g. during the week ending 29 Sept.46 (a month after the course started) some 300 arrived. The outcome of this is that their training extends through the month normally allotted to leave and reorganization of C.A.R. personnel.

(b) Shortage of instructors continues to hamper training. It is hoped that this situation will improve on the completion of the CREMO Instructors Course.

(c) Col. COLIVA, whose opinion is generally sound, is absolutely against a monthly call up.

2. Accommodation.

Three Coys of each 1st and 2nd Bn. 7 C.A.R. are now located at LA MARMORA Barracks. Fourth Coys of these Bns are accommodated, one at PIAVE Barracks and one at MAZZINI Barracks, SIENA:
3rd Bn. 7 CAR remains in the original location at CADORNA Barracks AREZZO.

3. Training.

The construction of 30 x ranges in the vicinity of LA MARMORA Barracks, SIENA has caused some unrest amongst the civilian population.
A letter on this subject was received from the Mayor of SIENA asking that these ranges be removed. This letter was referred to 7 Terr. Command for their action.
The Mayor of SIENA has also put this matter up to the Ministry of War and, it is understood, has received a most unsympathetic reply.

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4. Equipment.

7 C.A.R. are at a loss as to how much they should

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4. Equipment.

7 C.A.R. are at a loss as to how much they should charge a recruits for British equipment lost or destroyed by him through negligence, as they have no price list of the Br. equipment issued.
Will you please forward a price list.

See 7 BLU letter BLU/35/D dtd 3 Oct.1946 ref.

5. Medical.

A great drive against V.D. is being carried out in 7 C.A.R. Posters are shown in the barracks and frequent lectures are given.

See 7 BLU letter BLU/35/D dtd 3 Oct'46 ref.

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The C.O. and M.O. are most anxious to procure Allied V.D. films as they how have a cinema projector.
I think the idea is excellent and would be most grateful if films could be sent to this HQ. for issue.

6. **Welfare.**

The soldier's Club at the ex "CASA DEL FASCIO" continues to provide entertainment and recreation for troops of 7 C.A.R. During the Summer months dancing was held three times weekly in the garden.
This will not be possible in the winter and plans are being investigated as to the possibility of knocking down the walls of several rooms on the first floor in order to make a large ballroom. A request for funds for this purpose will be put up to the Ministry of War in the near future.

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Appendix "E" to 7 BAD letter
BAD/20 dated 4 Oct'46

ORDNANCE WARRANT OFFICERS REPORT
for MONTH OF SEPT'46

1. The Servizio Commissariato has now completed the major part of it's reorganisation and re-allocation to new accomodation, in respect of it's Ord Services. Their Depots, Stores and Shops have also been re-designated.

2. 7. Clothing and Equipment Depot.

Transferred from PORTERIA DA MARIO to ISPETTO NUOVO, RIFREDI and re-designated: -

CENTRAL MILITARY DEPOT, Clothing & Equipment.

3. 7. Repair Shop.

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7 RECOVERY & MANUFACTURING CENTRE.

4. 7 Bulk Barrack Stores Depot.

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7 PRINCIPAL BARRACK STORES.

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Ordnance Warrant Officer

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and Services. Their Depots, Stores and Shops have also been re-designated.

2. 7. Clothing and Equipment Depot.

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GENERAL MILITARY DEPOT, Clothing & Equipment.

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Appendix "F" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 4 Oct. 1946

Special Admin. Report.

MMIA letter Q 290 dated 10 Sept. para 4 and this HQ. letter ref.BLU/9 dtd 18 Sept'46 to MMIA refer.

1. PERSONNEL.

Below is given a list of Units that as from 10 Sept. have in a greater or lesser degree been and continue to be administered by this HQ.

(a) G.R. & E.
(b) Screening Commission.
(c) Det. R. Sigs.
(d) 2900 C.L.U.
(e) Det. Field Amb. & 2 Ambulances
(f) Conservancy transport vehicle.
(g) Italian born wives of British personnel.

These number some 25, most of whose husbands have already proceeded to UK on Release and these ladies are awaiting instructions to join them.
A large number of these wives draw both rations and E.F.I. supplies through 7 B.L.U. and it has been necessary to open a small D.I.D. at this HQ. to supply them. These rations are all on repayment and the accounting takes a considerable time, as does the "break down" and issue.
In addition to the above we also run the A.P.O. for FLORENCE.

2. SUPPLIES.

Briefly the system of supply is as follows:-
(a) On Mondays of each week, one weeks dry rations, fresh rations for Tuesdays and Wednesdays, animal fodder and fuel are all sent down for the FLORENCE Garrison by 217 Area.
This load requires appox 5-3 tonners which are supplied by 217 Area.
On arrival G.R. & E. and Screening Commission collect their supplies and the balance is distributed under unit arrangements to the sub units of 7 B.L.U.

(i) Officers Mess
(ii) ORs Mess
(iii) Married Officers
(iv) D.I.D. for Italian wives

(b) On Wednesdays GR & E supply transport and collect from RASC BOLOGNA.

(i) Fresh rations for Thursdays and Fridays
(ii) EFI supplies.

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below is given a list of units who as from 20 Sept 45 to a greater or lesser degree been and continue to be administered by this HQ.

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(ii) EFI supplies.

On arrival these are distributed as in para 1 above.

(c) On Fridays G.R. & E supply transport and collect from RASC BOLOGNA.

(i) Fresh rations for Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

(ii) Ord. Stores (if any)

It will be appreciated that the above has thrown a considerable amount of extra work on this HQ.
With the existing Staff this can be coped with. Should however, the Capt RASC be withdrawn, it would be absolutely essential for

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a competent NCO (RASC) to be posted to the Unit.

3. TRANSPORT.

Another problem that may arise in the near future is that of transport.
It is understood that 217 Area will commence to "Run Down" as from 1st Nov. next and that G.R. & E will move to ROME shortly.
I have been informed that on the closing down of 217 Area, the D.I.D. will move from BOLOGNA to either RICCIONE or RIMINI and that a new area or sub Area will be formed at one of these places.
Both these places are approx. 6½ hours run from FLORENCE and probably longer in the winter months.
Whilst Monday's supplies will probably continue to be sent from either RICCIONE or RIMINI, on the departure of G.R.& E, Wednesday's and Friday's runs will presumably have to be carried out, by this unit. In view of the length of the journey it may be policy to combine Wednesdays' and Fridays' runs to one journey, probably on Wednesdays returning Thursdays.
The somewhat partworn 15 Cwt on WE of this HQ. is only sufficient for local domestic needs and it is requested therefore that the 3 tonner referred to in MMIA letter ref. Q 290 dated 10 Sept be issued as soon as possible.

4. GENERAL.

It is fully appreciated that the system of supply may be changed or that outlying units such as this one may be on subsistence allowance in the not too distant future, but the foregoing is reported in order that we do not suddenly find ourselves with transport commitments that we are unable to carry out.

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
FLORENCE

REF: BLU/20

5 Sept'46

Subject : Reports and Returns- End/Beginning Month Report.

To : M.M.I.A.

1. Reference SD/113 dated 27 Dec.'45.

2. Attached (in quadruplicate) are the following: -

(a) End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 Sept'46.

(b) At Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 B.L.U. and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bns., and equivalent Units.

(c) At Appx "B" is Staff List of 7 B.L.U.

(d) At Appx "C" is amendment to Staff List of all Italian Officers in the Command of the rank of Lt. Col. and above.

(e) At Appx "D" is Progress Report on C.A.R. SIENA.

(f) At Appx "E" is Report by CRD. W.D.

(g) At Appx "F" is Report on Conference at HQ. 7 Territorial Command on 27 August 1946.

D.S.L. GRAHAM
Major
DAA & QMG

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Subject : 7 B.L.U. End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 Sept 1946

1. GENERAL.

(a) Domestic (HLI)

(i) Major H.W. HAMLYN (GSOII) was admitted to 32 CBS, FLORENCE on 3 August 46. Reported for duty 11 August 1946.

(ii) L/Cpl. HAYWARD P. (S.L.I.) discharged from Hospital and returned for duty 3 August 1946.

(iii) Major D.S.L. GIBSON (DAA & QMG) returned from compassionate Home leave, with his family on 5 August 46.

(iv) Major D.S.L. GIBSON (DAA & QMG) attended MMLA conference on 8/9 August 46.

(v) Lt. Col. C.C. MYERS proceeded to UK on LIAP on 8 Aug.46.

(vi) Major H.W. HAMLYN (GSO II) proceeded on 7 days sick leave w.e.f. 19 August 46.

(vii) Sgts BAKER A. (Chief Clerk) and FLEMING A. (Med. Att) proceeded on release 19 Aug.46.

(viii) Cmr. TAYLOR E. (Clerk) proceeded to UK. on 19 days FURLOUGH on 26 August 1946.

(b) British.

(i) Petrol Point, FLORENCE closed at 2359 hrs. 4 Aug.46 Arrangements have been made for MMLA officers to draw P.C. from this Pt. HLI/57 of 20 Aug.46 refers

(ii) 64 Coy R.A.S.C. Supply Point closed at 1800hrs 5 August 46. Rations are now drawn from 309 Transit Camp FLORENCE.

(iii) 32 C.B.S. FLORENCE closed w.e.f. 15 August 46 Sick parades for British personnel are held daily at the American Dispensary FLORENCE.

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(viii) Gnr. TREED K. (Clerk) proceeded to UK. on 19 days REPATRIATE on 26 August 1946.

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(c) Italian.

(i) Lt. STRACK (Italian L.O.) proceeded on 7 days local leave w.e.f. 12 August 46.

(ii) Lt. FRANCHINI (Italian L.O.) commenced 14 days

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attachment to 7 Terr. Command w.e.f. 15 Aug'46
7 Terr. Command requested this attachment to
replace their own interpreter during his leave.

(a) Visits and Liaison.

1/2 August 46 S & T Officer visited 13th Transport and Supply Coy "Folgore Div" Florence	See BAS/S&T/10 of 5 Aug 46 above
7 Aug'46 S & T Officer visited Ufficio Servizi Sussidi Div FLORENCE	
12 August'46 C.O.C. MMA visited Gen. DE [illegible] Cmd. 7 Terr. Cmd and Gen. FRANCESI Cmd. FOLGORE Div.	
15 Aug.'46 GSO I visited 7 CAR [illegible].	See Annex "F" of this report
16 Aug'46 S & T Officer visited 75 Food Dist. Depot [illegible].	BAS/S&T/10 of 22 Aug 46 refers
19 August 46 S & T Officer visited 77 Food Distribution Depot [illegible].	BAS/S&T/10 of 22 Aug'46 refers
20 Aug'46 S & T Officer visited 78 Food Dist. Depot - [illegible]	BAS/S&T/10 of 26 Aug ref.
21/22 Aug'46 Major ALEXANDER visited ARTILLERY Units of FOLGORE Div. Report awaited.	
23 August 46 S & T Officer visited the Efficient Vehicle Park FLORENCE	BAS/S&T/10 of 26 Aug ref.
26 August 46 GSO II visited 7 C.A.R. SIENA	See Annex "F" of this report
27 August 46 GSO II and DAA & QMG attended conference with Col. [illegible] acting Chief of Staff 7 Terr Command to discuss all relevant points raised at MMA Conference.	See Annex "F" of this report
29 August 46 S & T Officer visited No. 6 Food Dist Depot [illegible]	BAS/S&T/10 of 31 Aug ref
30 August 1946 GSO II and DAA & QMG visited 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. at [illegible] Barracks AREZZO	See Annex "F" Para 2 - of this report

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2/3 August 46 S & T Officer visited 23. Transport and Supply Coy "Pelgum Div" Florence	See Encl/S&T/10 of 5 Aug report
7 Aug'46 S & T Officer visited Officials Serviz Building Div FLORENCE	
12 August'46 C.O.C. MTA visited Gen. [redacted] Comd. 7 Terr. Comd and Gen. [redacted] Comd. [redacted] Div.	
13 Aug.'46 GSO II visited 7 Cdn [redacted].	See Annex "Z" of this report
16 Aug'46 S & T Officer visited 75 Food Dist. Depot [redacted].	Encl/S&T/G 10 of 22 Aug 46 rpt
19 August 46 S & T Officer visited 77 Food Distribution Depot [redacted].	Encl/S&T/G 10 of 22 Aug'46 rpt
20 Aug'46 S & T Officer visited 73 Food Dist. Depot - [redacted]	Encl/S&T/G 10 of 26 Aug rpt.
21/22 Aug'46 Major [redacted] visited [redacted] Units of [redacted] Div. Report awaited.	
23 August 46 S & T Officer visited the Efficient Vehicle Park [redacted]	Encl/S&T/G 10 of 26 Aug rpt.
26 August 46 GSO II visited 7 C.A.R. [redacted]	See Annex "D" of this report
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(a) Organization

(i) Domestic: L/Cpl. [redacted] took over the duties of Unit Clerk from Sjt. [redacted] who proceeded on release 19 Aug'46.

L/Cpl. [redacted] (M.T. Cpl) took over unit petrol point and accounting under supervision of S & T Officer.

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(iii) Italian : N.T.R.

(b) Employment of Troops.

(i) Inf. Regt.

Guard and Internal Security duties in FLORENCE.

(ii) FOLGORE Div.

OneCoy, GARIBALDI Regt. employed on guard duty at P.O.W. Camp LATERINA.

(iii) 7 C.A.R.

See special report at Appx "D".

(c) Training.

(i) FOLGORE Div. (Recruits)

The first two weeks of this month have been spent in standardising the training of recruits from different C.A.R.
In the latter part of the month recruits have carried out the following training: -
P.T. Arms drill; 3 range practises with each rifle and LMG; 1 firing practise with 2" Mortar; elementary section and platoon training; weapon training (136 hours); weekly route marches; courses for NCOS,
M.T.: drivers, W/T operators.

(ii) FOLGORE Div. (Trained Soldiers)

Month commenced with revision of individual training and courses for NCOs and MT drivers.

(iii) FOLGORE Div. (ARTILLERY)

Tp - Bty

Individual training and gun drill in the first part of the month followed by Bn. and Group tactical training.

(iv) Engineers.

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Individual and specialist training.

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(iv) Engineers.

Individual and specialist training.
Courses for NCOS and M.T. drivers.

(v) 7 Inf. Regt.

Tactical training in approach, attack and consolidation on platoon level.

Identification of targets, P.T., instruction on Italian and British Arms, range practises, route marches.

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Second course for officers and NCOs on British arms, commenced on 17 Aug'45. Instructors were supplied from FLORENCE Div.

(vi) Mariner Units - 7 Base. Command.

Individual training and range practices.
107 Signal Coy programme included training in W/T exchange duties and tactical line laying.
107 Engineer Coy carried out training on road blocks, demolitions and the general use of explosives.

(d) Intelligence.

(i) Relations between British and Italian Officers remains cordial and no unpleasantness or lack of cooperation appears to exist in this Area.

(ii) Soldiers of the FLORENCE Div. state that the division is moving from FLORENCE to UDINE and that the UDINE Div. is coming here. No mention of this has been heard from 7 Base. Comd. Italian Officers or other sources.

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(a) Domestic (NIL)

(i) Deficiencies

Chs.	RASC Sjt.	1
	RASC Cpl.	1
	Duty RED Sjt.	1
	Cook RED	1
	RASC L/Cpl. Clerk	1
	RTR L/Cpl. Clerk	1

(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in strength

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(d) Intelligence

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3. "A"

(a) Domestic (NIL)

(i) Deficiencies

Cdn	RAOC S/Sjt.	1
	RASC Cpl.	1
	Duty MCO Sjt.	1
	Cook RAC	1
	RAOC L/Cpl. Clerk	1
	RASC L/Cpl. Clerk	1

(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in strength.

No. 7 Base Command	20% below W/E
Medical Directorate	5% " "
Motor Vehicle Maintenance	5% " "
Veh. and Armament Depot	5% " "
Artillery Command	30% " "
Engineer Command	20% " "
7 Inf. Base.	40% " "
No. 7 S.A.A.	10% " "

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(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists

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M.T. Drivers	50%	below	W/S
Mechanics	30%	"	"
Artificers	40%	"	"
Operators W.S.	10%	"	"
Telegraphists	10%	"	"
+ Other Specialists	20%	"	"

+ Includes typists clerks, buglers, drummers, cooks, hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, disinfectors, carpenters, sanitary workers, masons, tinsmiths, electricians, blacksmiths, pavenbangers, etc.

(iii) Discipline. Remains good.

(iv) Law. No change in situation already reported.

(v) Morale. Peace treaty is still causing anxiety but the general situation is improving.

(vi) Public Relations. Local press has published several favourable articles on the 1925 class call up.

4. "G"

(a) Domestic(NEW)

(i) Transport. For full details see return submitted under our BM/23 of 1 Sept'46
No replacement has yet been found for Chev. H.V.P. W.D. M 5905872.
217 Area have been asked to help but state that all transport of disbanding units has already been allotted. It is essential that this replacement should be a load carrying vehicle and efforts are being made to secure from other sources.

(ii) Accommodation.
Due to the imminent closing of the Hotel Nobel to British officers, preparations are being made to occupy 10 Via Lorenzo Magnifico

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Operators W.T.	10%	"	"
Telephonists	10%	"	"
+ Other Specialists	20%	"	"

+ Includes typists clerks, buglers, storemen, cooks, hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, disinfectors, carpenters, sanitary workers, masons, tinsmiths, electricians, blacksmiths, pagankungers, etc.

(iii) Disciplines. Remains good.

(iv) Navy. No change in situation already reported.

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4. "G"

(a) Domestic(MMM)

(i) Transport. For full details see return submitted under our BMM/25 of 1 Sept'46
No replacement has yet been found for Chev. H.U.P. W.D. # 5903872.
217 Area have been asked to help but state that all transport of disbanding units has already been allotted. It is essential that this replacement should be a load carrying vehicle and efforts are being made to secure from other sources.

(ii) Accommodation.
Due to the imminent closing of the Excelsior Hotel to British Officers, preparations are being made to occupy 10 Via Lazzaro Magnifico as an Officers Mess and the lodge at Villa MARINELLA as quarters for DAA & QMG and family.
S & T Officer and family have arranged to share a Villa at Via Piave dei Giuliani n.38 FIUMICINO.

(iii) General.

217 Area has asked 7 MMM to take on the rationing and administration of all British

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personnel resident in [redacted], these number about 100, this H.Q. is willing to take on this responsibility providing that 2/7 Arms will supply one MO and one tenh.
It would not be possible to accept these additional commitments with the existing unit staff and transport.
No decision has yet been given on this subject, but negotiations are proceeding.

(b) Italians.

(i) Transport.
Deficiencies of drivers due to the release of 1922 & 1923 classes is a considerable hindrance to smooth running of motor transport. Excellent railway services helped the call up organisation.

(ii) Arms and Ammo.
(a) Ammo to complete 1st and 2nd line entitlements is being delivered to "[redacted] Div".
They are not yet complete but the deliveries continue.
(b) First allotment of British arms has been delivered to 7 Ital. Dept and are in process of being checked by armourers. 1st line and training ammo is advised but not yet received.
(c) Salvage arms is being sorted at 7 Base. Onward dumps and the checking of battle arms continues.

(iii) Clothing.
(a) M. of W. has assigned 16000 metres of khaki material for manufacture of 6000 winter uniforms. This cloth is emitted from firms in N. Italy. Estimates are being sought from civilian firms for making up and it is hoped that uniforms will be completed by 1 Oct 45.
7 Recovery & Manufacturing Centre is in process of moving from Piazza S. Pancrazio to Ippolito Nievo Barracks.

(iv) Rations and Fuel Supply.

(a) Reserve dumps of wood are being made for winter needs. 16000 Quintals of wood have already been delivered to various garrisons in 7 Base. Cont.

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(b) Italian.

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(ii) Arms and Ammo.
(a) Arms to complete 1st and 2nd line entitlements is being delivered to "[redacted] Div".
They are not yet complete but the deliveries continue.
(b) First allotment of British arms has been delivered to 7 Ind. Bgt and are in process of being checked by armourers. 1st line and training arms is advised but not yet received.
(c) Salvage arms is being carried at 7 Base. Ordnance Depot and the clearing of battle areas continues.

(iii) Clothing.
(a) E. of W. has assigned 1600 metres of khaki material for manufacture of 6000 winter uniforms. This cloth is omitted from firms in N. Italy. Estimates are being sought from civilian firms for making up and it is hoped that uniforms will be completed by 1 Oct 46.
7 Recovery & Manufacturing Centre is in process of moving from Piazza S. Bernardo to Ippolito Nievo Barracks.

(iv) Rations and Food Supply.

(a) Reserve dumps of wood are being made for winter needs. 10000 Quintals of wood have already been delivered to various garrisons in 7 Base. Comd.

(b) Premises have been found and machinery installed for a new Military mill and bakery in [redacted].

(c) Bulk Supply Depot, [redacted] has been disbanded under H. of T. orders. Reserve rations have been handed over to 73 Depot [redacted] (CMMD DET, [redacted] Barracks.

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(d) During call up 1925 class recruits were supplied with normal and reserve rations during their enlistment at districts and to cover period of their journey to C.A.R.

(v) Barrack stores.

(a) No. 7 Special Barrack Stores Depot is moving from VANNINI Barracks to new location at Ippolito NIEVO plant.

(b) 3000 stools and 8000 sheets assigned by M of W were received from BOLZANO and VERONA. The stools are being distributed to units. The sheets are being stored and will be kept as a reserve.

(vi) Accomodation.

(a) FLORENCE. Major repairs are being carried out at the following places: -

SCANDICCI Barracks
CC.RR. Central School
Engineer Stores and Laboratory } NOVOLI
Geographical Institute

(b) SIENA. Water installations are being repaired at LA MARMORA barracks. Repairs to MAZZINI Barracks.

(c) AREZZO. Last phase of repair to CADORNA barracks to house 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. Two 30 yds ranges under construction.

(d) PISTOIA. Repairs to roof FUNZIONALE Barracks.

(e) LEGHORN. Repairs being carried out on DEL PONTE Barracks.

(vii) P.O.L. and Tyres.

Allotment of motor oil is still inadequate. It is hoped that a better supply of tyres will be received as a consequence of action taken by the Min. of Industry and Commerce.

(viii) Medical.

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(a) No. 7 Special Barrack Stores Depot is moving from VANNINI Barracks to new location at Ippolito NIEVO plant.

(b) 3000 stools and 3000 sheets assigned by M of W were received from BOLZANO and VERONA. The stools are being distributed to units. The sheets are being stored and will be kept as a reserve.

(vi) Accommodation.

(a) FLORENCE. Major repairs are being carried out at the following places: -

SCANDICCI Barracks
CC.RR. Central School
Engineer Stores and Laboratory
Geographical Institute
} NOVOLI

(b) SIENA. Water installations are being repaired at LA MARMORA barracks. Repairs to MAZZINI Barracks.

(c) AREZZO. Last phase of repair to CADORNA barracks to house 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. Two 30 yds ranges under construction.

(d) PISTOIA. Repairs to roof FIRENZUOLE Barracks.

(e) LEGHORN. Repairs being carried out on NEL PONTE Barracks.

(vii) P.O.L. and Tyres.

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(viii) Medical.

(a) Medical installations at infirmaries of 7 C.A.R. have now been completed.

(b) Regular inspections and tests of water supply at all barracks are being carried out.

(c) D.D.T. supply is improving and is being issued to all units.

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Villino Villa Privilegio 293638
Hotel 293601

LOCATION STATEMENT 7 B.L.M.

OFFICER — No 1 PIAZZA DELLA STAZIONE - FLORENCE

Lt. Col. BAIRD — On Leave U.K.

Major CROSSON — VILLA RUBINI PIAZZALE GALILEO NO ?

Major HAMILTON (1) — Room 112 - Excelsior Hotel. Tel. Florence 293670

Major [redacted] — " 530 " " " " "

Capt. TAYLOR (3) — " 446 " " " " "

Capt. STEARNS (2) — " 220 " " " " "

Capt. WILSON — " 462 " " " " "

BOLOGNA

British O.R's at VILLA MIRAVERA - Tel. FLORENCE 293624

(1) VIA LORENZO MAGNIFICO 10 - FLORENCE 0551

(2) VIA PIAN DEI GIULIANI No 38 - FLORENCE.
No telephone angle.

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Appendix "C" to 7 Inf Brigade
HQ/20 Dated 5 March 40

LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS IN 7 INFANTRY
BRIGADE DOWN TO BNS OR EQUIVALENT

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
HQ. 7 Inf. Bgde.	BLOEMFONTEIN	XXX - XXX
1st Bn. (ex 7CR)	WELKOM	" "
2nd Bn. (ex 5RR Bn)	BLOEMHOF	" "
3rd Bn. (ex 1RR Bn)	KROONSTAD	" "
Northern Coy	BOSHOF	" "
HQ. 7 C.A.A.	KROONSTAD	" "
1st Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
2nd Bn.	WELKOM	" "
3rd Bn.	WELKOM	" "
HQ. NATAL Inf. Div.	ALDEAD	" "
Bandon Regt.	KROONSTAD	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
"CAMERON" Inf. Regt.	KROONSTAD	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	KROONSTAD	" "
18th Arty. Mgt. HQ.	KROONSTAD	" "
No. 1 25-Pr Bty	KROONSTAD	" "
No. 2 25-Pr Bty	KROONSTAD	" "
No. 3 25-Pr Bty	KROONSTAD	" "
No. 4 25-Pr Bty	KROONSTAD	" "
No. 5 17-Pr Bty	KROONSTAD	" "
No. 6 40 m/m A.A. Bty	KROONSTAD	" "
18th Engr. Bn. HQ Belgrave	KROONSTAD	" "
Central School	KROONSTAD	" "
HQ. 3 Brigade	KROONSTAD	" "
HQ. Mob. Pns. Group	KROONSTAD	" "
NATAL Legion	KROONSTAD	" "
Int. Group	KROONSTAD	" "
Int. Group	KROONSTAD	" "
TUGELA Group	KROONSTAD	" "
ZULU Group	KROONSTAD	" "
SILVER Group	KROONSTAD	" "
LEGION Legion	KROONSTAD	" "
CC. Group	KROONSTAD	" "
CC. Group	KROONSTAD	" "
CC. NATAL	KROONSTAD	" "
CC. GROOTVLEI	KROONSTAD	" "
CC. LUCIA	LUCIA	" "

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ANNEX "E" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 5 Nov'46

STAFF LIST 7 B.L.U. as at 1.6.1946

General Staff

G.S.O. I.	Lieut. Col. C.C. MAYERS	L. Fus.
G.S.O. II.	Major H.W. HAMILTON	Duffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General

DAA & QMG	Major D.S.L. GRIERSON, MBE	5 Inns. D.G.

Services.

S & T.	Capt. C.W.L. LOCKWOOD TATTAM	RASC
RMO	Capt. P.H. NELSON	RAMC

Attached

CC.FR. LIAISON OFFICER	Major W. GERSTENBERG	G.I.
MEDICAL L.O.	Capt. H.A. SKEPPENS, MBE	RAMC

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Annex "C" to 7 HJJ letter
HJJ/20 dated 5 Sept. 1946

Amendments to the List of OFFICIALS on duty with 7 Territorial Corps Troops

RANK	ARM	NAME	ORGANIZATION NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.		No Change.		
Decreases				
Lt. Gen.	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	Transferred to Terr.Corps. HQ's
Amendments				
Div. Commander	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	From : at disposal of Terr.Corps. To : Director of Military Geographical Institute.

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Appx. " C " to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 5 Sept 1946

Amendments to the list of COLONELS on duty with 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND FLORENCE

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases				
Col.	Mil. Justice	NAGNI	PAOLO	Mil. Terr. Tribunal FLORENCE
Col.	Inf.	GIOVANNINI	CARLO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	COTTARELLA	GAETANO	At disposal
Col.	Med.	LAMPIS	EDOARDO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	BRUNO	GUGLIELMO	At disposal
Col.	Med.	CHIMENTI	FERDINANDO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	CANDINI	GIACINTO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	RAFFO	ADOLFO	At disposal
Col.	Med.	RACO	GIOVANNI	At disposal
Decreases				
Col.	Mil. Justice	BARILLARI	GIUSEPPE	Discharged
Col.	Inf.	BENINCASA	ANTONINO	Sick leave
Col.	Inf.	RIGO	GIACOMO	Discharged
Amendments				
Col.	Art.	SICHERA	ENRICO	From Headquarter to Inf. 84th Depot
Col.	Inf.	CASTELLANI	UMBERTO	From Headquarter to Inf. 84th Depot

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Appx. "C" to 7 RLU letter
RLU/20 dated 5 Sept 1946

Amendments to the list of LT.COLS on duty with 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND FLORENCE

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	LARI	ALFREDO	Mil. District of FLORENCE
Lt.Col.	Art.	ZAZZARINO	DOMENICO	Mil. District of GROSSETO
Lt.Col.	Inf.	GIUSTI	EDGAR	Inf.Regt. 22 Depot
Lt.Col.	Inf.	PIRO	NICOLA	7 C.A.R. - SIENA
Lt.Col.	C.C.	PUCCI DE FILICAJA	UGO	At disposal
Decreases				
Lt.Col.	Med.	FROSINI	DINO	Sick leave
Lt.Col.	Inf.	CAMBI	GIOVANNI	Discharged
Lt.Col.	Inf.	SANTINI	RAFFAELLO	Discharged
Lt.Col.	Farm.	BRACALONI	LORENZO	Become reservist
Lt.Col.	C.C.	CHUDI	GIUSEPPE	Discharged
Amendments				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	GUADALUPI	COSIMO	From 7 Inf.Regt. to H.Q. Terr.Comd.
Lt.Col.	Inf.	MORFINI	GIUSEPPE	From 7 Repair Unit to 7 Auto Depot

Appendix "F" 7 B.L.U. Letter
HQ/20 dated 5 Sept 46

Subject : End of Month report on 7 C.A.R. as at 31 Aug'46

1. GENERAL. (for separate report on 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. at ASMARA see para 2)

(a) Personnel.

4000 Recruits are in training at 7 C.A.R. this shows an increase of some 400 on the number entered for. Shortage of instructors continue to hamper training. Present situation as against W.E. is as follows: -

Short:	Lieutenants	Sen NCOs	Jun NCOs
	8	10	5

The 80 recruits selected from the first course are now employed as junior instructors, they have the necessary knowledge but lack the experience to give them power of command.
The standard of the present recruits is much higher than those of the last course and the impression gained from instructors was that they feel they are now working on really worth while material.
The present system of call up from districts all over Italy is enthusiastically received at 7 C.A.R. it is thought that this will diminish the cases of A.W.O.L.

(b) Accommodation

3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. is now located at CANDELA Barracks ASMARA. This move has enabled S. MARCO Barracks (civilian hospital) ASMARA to be handed back to the Command.
The arrival of 400 recruits in excess of the number catered for, has led to a slight overcrowding in all barracks. This is not considered by the Medical Officers to be a grave danger to the health of the recruits.

(c) Training.

Second course commenced on 19 Aug'46 and training continues to run smoothly. Lessons learnt by the staff in the first course have been put into effect.
A marked improvement is noted in the supply of training stores, most of which have been made locally on the British pattern.
The inclusion in the H of W training programme of a daily period at the disposal of CMR Cmds has been

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Shortage of instructors remains. [illegible]
Present situation as against W.E. is as follows -

Short:	Subaltern	Sen NCOs	Jun NCOs
	8	20	5

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The inclusion in the M of W training programme of a daily period at the disposal of CAR Comds has been very welcome and eases the somewhat overcrowded programme maintained in the first course.
Lack of stores is preventing some training e.g. firing with .22 rifles, none have been received, so 30 yds range firing is substituted in these periods [illegible] LMG fixed line firing without tripods is not possible; the M of W. programme lays down that 2" M. training will be carried out with mortar sights, as these are not available this HQ has advised that training can will be carried out/aiming and firing the mortar without sights.

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(d) Welfare.

The staff of 7 C.A.R. fully realise the importance of providing recreation and amusement for the troops. They have most elaborate plans and ideas on this subject which, as usual, have had to be curtailed by lack of funds. However the existing amenities are adequate and excellently run. The following units have been organised and are open to troops.

(i) Each barracks has an O.R.s canteen combined with writing room.
These canteens are equipped with a radio and also loud speaker apparatus through which it is possible to broadcast internal messages or music played by the 7 C.A.R. band.
Soft and alcoholic drinks are on sale at the bar together with foodstuffs and tinned goods at prices well below those outside and within the means of the recruit.

(ii) Bright and comfortable messes for Officers and NCOs are situated in each barracks.

(iii) Soldiers Club SIENA is housed in the building of the "ex Casa del Fascio" and comprises the ground and first floors of a luxurious ville. Much work has been carried out in the garden of this club, where an outdoor dance floor and bar have been built.
Recruits are allowed to invite their girl friends free of charge but male civilian guests pay a small entrance fee. Dancing is held nightly to the music of the 7 C.A.R. twelve piece band. More money is required to furnish writing and reading rooms in the club, some of this will be forthcoming from profits but a further grant has been requested from the M of W.

(iv) The C.A.F. Mobile Canteen visits the 7 C.A.R. but as the C.A.F. establishment for the entire 7 Tour. Corps is three women, these visits are not frequent.

2. ANCONA. On August 30th A/G and CRO XI accompanied by Lt. Col. CAPPIANI (acting Asst C.of S) visited the 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. at ANCONA barracks, ANCONA and the following points were noted: -

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(a) Personnel.

The number of recruits in barracks was approx 1400, 25 of whom had only arrived the previous evening.

(b) Accomodation.

(i) Barrack rooms were excellent and well laid out but were definitely overcrowded, 40 recruits sleeping in each room.
Even when repairs to the barracks are completed very little, if any, thinning

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out will be possible.

(ii) There was an excellent officers Mess and money is awaited for the purchase of furniture for the ante-room.

(iii) The NCOs Mess was functioning fully and well.

(iv) Recruits all mess together in a main dining hall which was clean, well organised and adequate. Tables would benefit by being well scrubbed.

(c) Recreation.

(i) A well patronised canteen was in operation where prices were some 30% below those existing in the town.

(ii) One basket ball pitch had been made and others were in course of construction.

(iii) Boxing took place nightly

(iv) One dance had already taken place for which the band from 7 C.A.R. SIENA had been borrowed.

(d) Training.

(i) Training according to programme was being carried out and the recruits seen on parade had evidently made progress.

(ii) Recces of training areas had been carried out and were reported to be satisfactory.

(iii) There is one 300 yds range at AREZZO and in spite of intensive recces no other suitable site has been discovered. See letter BLU/35 F of 3.9.46
With some improvement, for which 7 T.C. have funds, this range could be put in to a fit state for use.
It was in fact used by Allied tps when they were stationed in AREZZO.
The M of W have however vetoed its use on the grounds of safety in spite of the fact that OC 3 Bn., the District Comdr. and 7 T.C. all say that it would be reasonably safe if the improvements mentioned above were carried out.
It appears that unless M of W alter their minds that the 3rd Bn. will be unable to fire on the 300 yds range.
It has been suggested to 7 T.C. that they should reopen this subject with M of W. There was one bayonet per rifle, but bayonets were of different patterns.

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(e) Rations.

These appeared good but there were the usual complaints about chili- con carne which was unpopular.
A new contract for olive oil was being made as existing supplies were not as good as usual. Recruits from country districts found army rations somewhat meagre after "farm house fare"

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(f) Transport. Load carrying vehicles were just sufficient but strong complaints were made at the paucity of passenger vehicles.
These consist of 1 Jeep for OC and one M/C
It was pointed out that the 4 Coy Comdrs could not carry out their duties efficiently without some form of vehicle.
As each Coy consists of 350 men and training areas are some distance from barracks, their grounds appears to be a very reasonable one.
Another great want is a vehicle in which staff and instructors can carry out recces for training.
It would appear that what is required is: -

(a) One Jeep per coy Comds = 4 extra Jeeps or

(b) One M/C " " " = 4 " M/C plus

Some vehicle such as a 15 Cwt for training recces which are of necessity, some distance from barracks.
If (a) above were provided the 15 Cwt would be unnecessary.
This shortage is not peculiar to the 3rd Bn, but it is felt that NMIA could help by pressing this matter. See this HQ. letter BLU/35D dated 5 Sept'46

(g) Medical.

(i) The unit hospital was clean and well cared for and the MO seemed keen and to know his job.
They state he is very overworked as owing to the Military District MO being on sick leave he is carrying out the latter's duties as well as his own.
Even on the return of the District MO the OC. considers that one MO for a Bn. 1500 strong is inadequate, more especially will this be the case later on when the MO has to spend considerable time on the ranges.
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(iii) Obviously much greater care had been taken over Medical inspections at Districts as out of 1400 men received only about 10 had been sent to hospital for observation.

(iv) Only 10 cases of V.D. had come to light so far which seems an incredibily low average.

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(h) General.

A most satisfactory visit and much praise is due to Major CAFORIO Michele the Bn. Comdr and his officers who, having been at AREZZO barely 3 weeks have got a first class show running, which will without doubt, improve from week to week.

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H.Q/20 dated 5 Sept'46

GENERAL NAVAL ORDERS's REPORT
for Month of August 1946

1. 7 REPAIR SHOP

This shop is now engaged in the manufacture of Winter Clothing. A section of the shop is being transferred to [redacted], RINTELN. The remainder to follow in due course.
Urgent demands have been presented by HQ. 7 Territorial Command to their Ministry for the release of the required machinery which is to be set up at their new site at RINTELN.
Everything that is possible is being done to obtain this machinery.

The repairs to Boots are now being carried out by this Repair Shop and taken off Civil Contract. Minor repairs are being executed locally by the Units themselves.
As Boots become worn out they are being exchanged on the "one for one" basis. This system is working with every satisfaction.

2. 7 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT DEPOT.

3. 7 MILK BARRACK STORES DEPOT.

Both still in process of being transferred to RINTELN.

4. GENERAL.

Owing to the transfer of these units to the [redacted] RINTELN, the question of visits must be waived temporarily. A watching brief is of course being kept on the reorganisations.

[redacted]
Dir.
[redacted] DEPOTS.

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Appendix "F" to 7 RLU letter
B. /20 dated 5 Sept 1946

REPORT ON CONFERENCE AT H.Q. 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND ON 27 AUGUST 1946

On 27th Aug. A/Q and G.S.O. II had a long conference with the new Chief of Staff, Col. CROSSO, at which all relevant points raised at M.M.I.A. conference were discussed. Gen. DE SIMONE was in ROME. The results of the discussion are given below :-

1. C.A.R.

(a) Press representatives have already visited 7 C.A.R. and visits of Commanding Officers and Civil dignitaries will be arranged.

(b) The need for more M.C.s has already been represented to Ministry of War but 7 C.A.R. do not feel that Bn. Comdrs. are overburdened with administrative duties.

(c) Two military armourers are employed at 7 C.A.R. They have a certain amount of tools but not complete outfits. The main difficulty is the complete lack of any kind of spare parts for rifles or L.M.Gs. This makes a complete fulce of any attempt to zero the recruits arms.

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(i) Continuous strain on District call up machinery.

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(iii) A continual flow of recruits would arrive in Regts, other than in one body. This would make training much more spread out and difficult.

(e) 7 Terr. Comd. are in favour of specialist instructors and are under the impression that this will come about in time.

(f) 40 copies each week of the newspaper "NOTIZIARIO DELL'ESERCITO" are being received at 7 Terr. Comd. and are distributed to Units under Command.

(g) It was realised that the vexed question of accomodation for families was a question of funds being made available. Any suggestions were invited from 7 Terr. Comd.

(h) Col. CROSSO was under the impression that the one year tenure of Command for Div. Cdrs., Regt., and C.A.R.

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(h) Col. CROSIO was under the impression that the one year tenure of Command for Div. Bde., Regt., and C.A.R. Comdrs. had been abolished. If however this was not the case, 7 Terr. Comd. quite agree that one year was much too short and were of the opinion that as long as a Commander was doing well, he should be left in command for from 3 - 6 years.

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2. Training

(a) No training directives other than those up to Bn. level had been received by 7 Terr. Comd., or had specialist directives, Arty, Recce, Engrs and Sigs. been received.

(b) The training of 7th Inf. Regt. is being hampered by shortage of men and numerous guard duties.
The situation should improve considerably on the arrival of the next batch of recruits.

(c) The great importance of sending the right type of men on courses was again stressed. Orders on this subject had already been issued by 7 Terr. Comd., but owing to the discharge of classes the situation was difficult.

(d) There is a sufficiency of instructors in Bn. weapons (obtained from GRUPPO and "FOLGORE" Div) in Regts. to continue the training of recruits when they arrive from 7 C.A.R.

3. Equipment.

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5. Intelligence.

The Arming and training as a military body of the civil police was discussed.

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(Cont'd "Intelligence")

Col. GROSSO's view was that it was as yet too early to express an opinion but they were untrained and unreliable. Witness their action in the ASTI incident. I gather they were NOT popular with the Army.

6. General.

Both HSO II and myself were, at first contact, very favourably impressed with Col. GROSSO.

He struck me as a great improvement on the late incumbent and a man who was both a soldier and a gentleman. He appeared to have a mind of his own and, not frightened of taking a decision. I should judge that he is keen for the new Italian Army, to do well and would put this above politics.

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Appendix "G" to 7 Bde
letter BM/30 dtd 4 Oct'46

REPORT ON VISIT TO "HERO" REGT.

On 26 Sept'46 G(O) II visited HQ. "HERO" Regt. at PISTOIA at CAVEDINE Barracks accompanied by Col. CARSON, Regt. Comdr.

Accomodation. These Barracks, previously occupied by Arty Regt. of "FULGORE" Div, are not in a good state of repair. Much work has been carried out during the last two months chiefly to make the roofs weatherproof for the winter. Nearly all windows are without glass and are covered with sacking. Col. CARSON is justly worried that unless glass is fitted it will be impossible to keep these barracks warm in the winter, this matter is being taken up with 7 Territorial Command.
In spite of the bad state of the barracks every effort has been made to maintain a high standard of cleanliness. Barrack rooms were spotless and and mens' kits neatly laid out.

Arms. A large number of small arms are kept in Coy stores, this being due to the fact that the regiment is approx 50% under strength. Rifles, brens and T. SMGs are kept well oiled with barrels packed with grease. A large percentage of LMGs have been returned to Ordnance as u/s owing to the complete lack of any kinds of spare parts, it is estimated that 90% of these weapons could have been made serviceable by unit armourers if spares had been available.

Ammo. Ammunition other than that issued to troops is stored well and correctly and is frequently inspected.

Rations. Recruits arriving from C.A.R. are very satisfied with their meals, they say that the quality and quantity of food received in the regiment is superior to that of C.A.R.

Welfare. Adequate ORs Canteens are running, such furniture as there is has been made within the regiment as only a very small grant of money was given to start these canteens.
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SUBJECT: END/BEGINNING OF MONTH REPORT AS AT 1 AUGUST 1946

TO : HQ. M.M.L.O. (Attention CC.RR. Sect.)

FROM : 7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

Ref.CC.RR./29

Florence 7 Aug'46

1. STRENGTH

(a) Strength Return, as at 15 July 1946, down to Legion level - Appx "A"

(b) Percentage on leave - 4.41 %

Percentage on extraneous duty;

ANCONA	Legion	- 1.33 %
BOLOGNA	Legion	- 4.50 %
FLORENCE	Legion	- 8.74 %
LEGHORN	Legion	- 6.56 %

(c) Strength return of Mobile Bns, as at 31 July 1946 - Appx "B".

(d) Percentage on leave

FLORENCE Mobile Bn	-	12.13 %
BOLOGNA Mobile Bn	-	4.60 %

The following Carabinieri are on detachment from BOLOGNA and FLORENCE Mobile Bns:

BOLOGNA Mobile Bn	-	109	at Pesaro
FLORENCE Mobile Bn	-	156	at Massa
	-	116	at Palermo
		40	at Pisa

2. ORGANIZATION

No material change.

3. INTELLIGENCE

Relations between CC.RR. and public continue to improve. CC.RR. report that the appointment of DE NICOLA as President has been well received in this area. Increasing resentment towards the Allies, particularly England and U.S.A. as result of terms of Peace Treaty, is alleged, and Italians maintain that many of the promises made to them when they became co-belligerents are not being carried out. CC.RR. contend that in the eventuality of a further crisis in Europe the Allies are not likely have the assistance or sympathy of the Italians.

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4. TRAINING

Courses have re-commenced at Mobile Bns but are not running smoothly at present owing to constant demands made for service of personnel in connection with preservation of law and order.
Training for the average Carabinieri, outside the Bns, is non-existing and the situation is the same as reported several months ago.

5. ADMINISTRATION

(a) Discipline

Good. No serious breach of discipline

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(b) Pay

While there is no particular problem the position in general has not improved. A revision and simplification of rates of pay is long overdue.

(c) Personnel

Lt. Col. GIUDI discharged
Lt. Col. PUCCI, formerly discharged, now re-enlisted and at disposal of 7 Terr. Command.
Major STARA discharged (own request).

7. MORALE

Alleged to be deteriorating. Apart from the many difficulties confronting members of the CC.RR., i.e., low pay in comparison to increasing cost of living, poor conditions of many barracks, etc, practically 50 % of the 3rd Bgde are still awaiting results of epuration and discrimination. It is strange to think that officers and men of an organization responsible for maintaining law and order, should themselves, after more than a year since cessation of hostilities, still be faced with the uncertainty of their own future. In the interests of the CC.RR. Service as a whole these proceedings should be expedited. List of percentages of such personnel in 3rd Bgde at Appx "C"

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION

No change in general situation. The month has been noteable for the numerous strikes and demonstrations which have taken place in this area, and the CC.RR. have been fully occupied in attending to these matters. No subsequent disorders have been reported. It is understood that experience here has shown that Questura personnel are not competent in dealing with such situations and as usual the responsibility is left to the Carabinieri.

9. GENERAL

During the past two or three months there has been a noticeable improvement regarding transport, uniform, arms, and ammunition, and distribution is better. However the problem of pay, communications, barracks, barrack equipment and training remain practically the same as when first reported on in February last, and until such time as these questions are firmly tackled there is not likely to be any further great improvement in the efficiency of the CC.RR. It is understood that officers and men of CC.RR. Legion at Rome each received 1800 lire for their services during the election, but this has not been extended to any other Legion. If this is so, it is a pity this excellent idea was not made general throughout the CC.RR. and so avoid the irritation caused by such discrimination.
A copy translation of CC.RR. monthly report for July is attached herewith - Appx "D".

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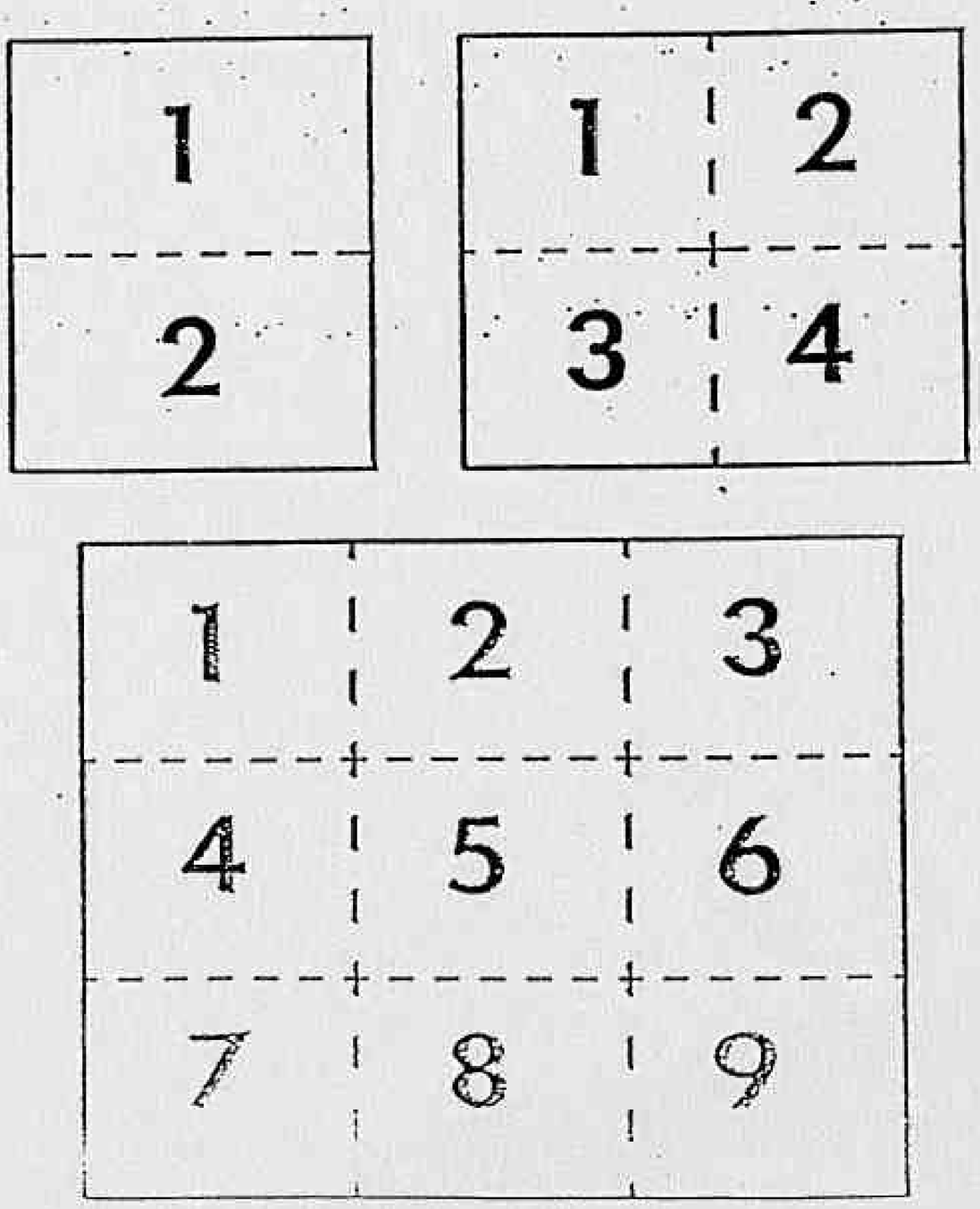
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Allegato n°UNO al foglio n°46/59 Ris.Pers.del 3-Agosto 1946.-

COMANDO 3ª BRIGATA CARABINIERI
F I R E N Z E

SITUAZIONE DELLA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI DIPENDENTI (Ancona, Bologna, Firenze e Livorno) ALLA DATA DEL 15 LUGLIO 1946.

Firenze, 3 agosto 1946.-

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Appendix "A" to 7 MIU letter
Ref:CC.MI./29 of 7 August'45

LEGIONE DI:	Forza organica (uff., sott. e truppa) (esclusi i batt. mobili).	Forza effettiva (uff., sott. e truppa) (esclusi i batt. mobili).	Forza presente (uff., sottuff. e truppa) (esclusi i batt. mobili).	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza presente, di militari in congedo di qualsiasi specie inferiore a trenta giorni.	Numero dei militari impiegati in servizi non di istituto (uff., sott.e truppa).	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza organica, di militari impiegati in servizi non d'istituto.	NOTE
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ANCONA	2454 (3)	1665	1500 (2)	4,60 %	32	1,33 %	La differenza (165) fra le 4, dedotti i militari in i è rappresentata da: - 21 militari al campo in Loterino, - 20 militari al porto di - 29 militari al corso el - 16 militari in luoghi di 86
BOLOGNA	3785	3287	3020	4,90 %	171	4,50 %	La differenza (267) fra le 4, dedotti i militari in i è rappresentata da: - 22 militari al corso al - 20 militari aggregati o ni, - 1 militare aggregato a - 11 militari a corsi var - 65 militari in luoghi d 119
FIRENZE (1)	2504	2386	2045	4,69 %	219	8,74 %	La differenza (341) fra l 4, dedotti i militari in i è rappresentata da: - 104 militari di rinforz - 11 militari al porto d - 27 militari di rinforz - 1 militare aggregato

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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
54)	1665	1500 (2)	4,60 %	32	1,33 %	La differenza (165) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (79), è rappresentata da: - 21 militari al campo internati di Laterina, - 20 militari al porto di Livorno, - 29 militari al corso all.sott., - 16 militari in luoghi di cura.- 86
85	3287	3020	4,90 %	171	4,50 %	La differenza (267) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (148), è rappresentata da: - 22 militari al corso all.sott., - 20 militari aggregati ed altre legioni, - 1 militare aggregato al com.generale - 11 militari a corsi vari, - 65 militari in luoghi di cura.- 119
04	2386	2045	4,69 %	219	8,74 %	La differenza (341) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (112), è rappresentata da: - 104 militari di rinforzo a Messina, - 11 militari al porto di Livorno, - 27 militari di rinforzo a Pisa, - 1 militare aggregato ad altre leg.

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COMPAGNIE SPECIALI DA CONSIDERARSI OLTRE LA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI								
ANCONA	155	74	72	2,77 %	-	-	-	
BOLOGNA	155	130	121	4,10 %	-	-	-	
FIRENZE	155	112	46	3,57 %	-	-	La differenza (66) fra le e 4, dedotti i militari in è rappresentata da: - 60 militari aggregati all Livorno per il gruppo - 2 militari in luoghi di 62	
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(1) Nella forza della legione di Firenze sono compresi i militari del la 3ª Brigata e quelli del comando raggruppamento battaglioni mobili.-

(2) Nella forza presente della legione di Ancona sono compresi 109 militari del battaglione mobil gne di rinforzo a Pesaro.-

(3)-Nella forza organica delle legioni di Ancona e Livorno è compreso il contingente di 365 uomin legione di Trieste.-

(4) Nella forza effettiva e presente (colonne 3 e 4) della compagnia speciale di Livorno sono com 60 militari avuti dalla compagnia speciale di Firenze.-

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90 (3)	1595	1502	3,46 %	170	6,56 %	La differenze (93) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (52), è rappresentata da: - 5 militari al corso all.sott., - 36 militari in luoghi di cura.- 41
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COMANDO 3ª BRIGATA CARABINIERI
F I R E N Z E

SITUAZIONE DELLA FORZA DEI BATTAGLIONI MOBILI AL 31 LUGLIO 1946.-

Firenze, 3 agosto 1946.-

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Appendix "B" to 7 PW letter
Ref. G.C. 2 of 7 August 45

BATTAGLIONE MOBILE DI:	Forze organico (uff., sott. e truppa), compreso l'officina mobile	Forze effettive (uff., sott. e truppa).	Forze presenti (uff., sott. e truppa)	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza presente, dei militari in licenza di qualunque specie inferiore ai 30 gg.	Militari di rinforzo altrove e comandati corsi vari (uff., sott. e truppa). (1)	Militari rientrati nel mese da rinforzi altrove (2)	NOTE
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
FIRENZE	554	552	155	12,13%	316	368	(1)-Militari di rinforzo altrove: - 1 ad Ancona, - 50 a Massa dal 21-7 u.s., -116 a Palermo dal 24-7 u.s., - 40 a Pisa dal 27-7 u.s., -106 a Massa dal 30-7 u.s.(il 31 313 tratti in sede).- Militari comandati a corsi ve - 1 a Rieti, - 1 a Roma, - 1 a Cesano.- 3 La differenza (397) fra le colonn dotti i militari in licenza (67) cui a colonna 6 (316), è rappresen -14 militari in luoghi di cura.- (2)-Militari rientrati da rinfor - 368 da Napoli.-
BOLOGNA	554	540	389	4,60 %	110	460	(1)-Militari di rinforzo altrove -109 a Pesaro. Militari comandati a corsi va - 1 militare a Rieti.- La differenza (151) fra le colon dotti i militari in licenza (18) cui a colonna 6 (110), è rappresen -21 militari in luoghi di cura - 2 militari destinati e non giu (2)-Militari rientrati da rinforz -460 da Napoli.-

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Appendix "B" to 7 RU letter
Ref. C.R./29 of 7 August'16

Forze effettive (uff., sott. e truppa).	Forze presenti (uff., sott.e truppa)	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza presente, dei militari in licenza di qualunque specie inferiore ai 30 gg.	Militari di rinforzo altrove (1)	Militari rientrati nel mese da rinforzi altrove (2)	NOTE
3	4	5	6	7	8
552	155	12,13%	316	368	(1)-Militari di rinforzo altrove: - 1 ad Ancona, - 50 a Massa dal 21-7 u.s., -116 a Palermo dal 24-7 u.s., - 40 a Pisa dal 27-7 u.s., -106 a Massa dal 30-7 u.s.(il 31 detto rientrati in sede).- 313 Militari comandati a corsi vari: - 1 a Rieti, - 1 a Roma, - 1 a Cesano.- 3 La differenza (397) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (67) e quelli di cui a colonna 6 (316), è rappresentata da: -14 militari in luoghi di cura.- (2)-Militari rientrati da rinforzo: - 368 da Napoli.-
540	389	4,60 %	110	460	(1)-Militari di rinforzo altrove: -109 a Pesaro. Militari comandati a corsi vari: - 1 militare a Rieti.- La differenza (151) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (18) e quelli di cui a colonna 6 (110), è rappresentata da: -21 militari in luoghi di cura - 2 militari destinati e non giunti.- (2)-Militari rientrati da rinforzo: -460 da Napoli.-

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TRANSLATION

Ap "C" to 7 HAU letter
No. CC.MM./29 of 7 Aug'46

H.Q. 3rd BOMB CAR-RIM FI FLORENCE

L I S T - of personnel of the "Arma" still awaiting results of epuration and discrimination.

LEGION OF	Officers	N.C.O.'s	O.R.'s	Total	Percentage of personnel still awaiting results of epuration & discrimination.
1	2	3	4	5	6
ARIZONA	6	265	892	1163	57 %
PALERMO	36	705	1340	2081	59 %
FLORENCE	20	353	945	1518	49.64 %
LEGHORN	14	272	648	934	36.06 %

Florence, 26 July 1946.-

COLONEL VICE BOMB COMMANDER
- Francesco Pordani -

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Appendix "D" to 7 AU letter
Ref. 7AU/29 of 7 August'46

TRANSLATION

HQ. 3rd REGT CARABINIERI FLORENCE

No 46/59 di prot. Ris. Form. Florence, 3rd August 1946

SUBJECT: Carabinieri Monthly Report.

TO : Major Walter Greenhough - 7 M.I.U. Florence

1. STRENGTH OF DEPENDENT COMMANDS
Total strength of the depending Legions, as at 15 July 1946, is shown in Appx No 1.

2. STRENGTH OF MOBILE REG
Total strength of Florence and Bologna Mobile Reg, as at 31st July 1946, is shown in Appx No 2.

3. ORGANIZATION
See what former report refers.
During past July no important movement of personnel has been performed among the various groups.
All military that were sent to Siena at the month end of June during the "Palio" have come back to the respective residences.
Genio Mobile Bn is still at Bolzano exception made for a Company transferred at Pinerolo and an Armoured Cars Section transferred at Parma.
On 24 July 100 military of Florence Internal Group and 100 of Bologna Internal Group left toward Palermo on reinforcing duty.

4. INFORMATION
Public Opinion Situation

a) Nearly unanimous approval for the election of On. DE NICOLA as President of the Republic.

b) See what previous reports refer.

c) Public opinion toward the Carabinieri
Prestige and esteem of the population toward the Carabinieri is more and more increasing, and everybody, without any consideration of political tendency, looks at them with sympathy and trust.

d) Press
Press topics are in this moment the serious economical and financial problems and Parties arguments.
News of the peace treaty, generally considered unjust, have had a great resounding. Resentment is particularly hard toward England and U.S.A. that made nothing or nearly so to substain the Italian rights against the excessive pretences of Jugoslavy, helped by Russia, and against France that, although has a rich national territory and large colonial possessions that cannot be entirely exploited owing to the scarce population, pretended also a rectification of the line of demarcation

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which is going to deprive Italy of some Power Stations. The latter were built with great sacrifices by the Italian work and while they are not of a great value for France they are essential for the industries of the northern Italy.
It is pointed out that the Anglo-American people should have opposed the French and Jugoslave rapacity keeping their words about the promised integrity of the national territory.
Also the colonial problem is of a great interest for everybody and they hope in an act of due comprehension toward the Italian people closed in a very small space and deprived of any resource.

e) Forecasts
If the peace imposed to Italy will not be right a weakening of the new Republic with all the possible consequences also in the international field is to be foreseen.

f) Influence of the past events over the future situations
The way the Allies behaved toward Italy and the promises so often made and never kept may induce the Italian people, in case of a new European crisis, to tendencies that may be different from what is wished by Anglo-American and French nations.

5. TRAINING
See what former report refers.
a) After Bologna and Florence Mobile has come back from Naples, all training courses for the personnel have been resumed although with a great difficulty due to the frequent movements for public order services in this very delicate moment of the country.

b) Political education of the population keep on improving in spite of the serious difficulties of this period.
The people shows political education as well as good sense and temperance. They are enduring the serious discomforts and the hard privations due to the disproportion between wages and cost of living with admirable and praiseworthy firmness.

6. ADMINISTRATION
a) General Discipline of the "Arma"
Good.

b) During the past month Florence Legion denounced 6 military responsible for desertion and another for deceit.

c) Pay
The hard financiary situation the personnel is confronted with owing to the low wages they are drawing and the high cost of living has become worse in the last times, food-stuff prices having increased.

d) Changes in Appointment of Senior Officers
Florence Legion
Lt. Col. (Reserve) GRUDI Giuseppe - discharged.
Lt. Col. (reserve) PUCCI DA PRACAIA Ugo, previously discharged has been reenlisted and he is now at disposal of 7 Terr. Cmd for the organization

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of Guard Battalion to depots of Allied materials handed over to Italy.

Bologna Legion
Major (Reserve) STARA Michele - discharged (at his own request)

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No breach of discipline among senior officers has happened.

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See what former report refers about the promotions.

7. DISPOSITION OF VARIOUS MATERIALS CONFIDENCED WITH THE ITALIAN ARMY AND WHICH REMAINED

a) Motor vehicles and bicycles
See what was formerly stated.
See para 10 about allotments made during the past month.
Ancona Legion delivered definitely to 6 Repair Unit Bologna, a "Fiat" 508 "Balilla" No C.M. 3665, being beyond repair.
Leghorn Legion has given back to the owner "Fiat" 1100 car No 7410, being demilitarized.
Bologna Legion delivered to 6 R.V.P. the following vehicles of Bologna Mobile Unit being considered of 3rd Class.

Load Carrier	" Bianchi Milan "	No	M. 918921
Motor-cycle	B.S.A.	"	M. 65914
"	" Matchless	"	M. 102089
"	" Triumph	"	M. 99086

b) Clothing and equipment
Leghorn Legion informed the Carabinieri C.M.D. the following items to be necessary to meet their requirements:

- 1100	Belts
- 800	Winter jackets
- 1100	Woollen ties
- 400	Green-grey shirts
- 1100	Green-grey great-coats
- 300	Stripes for Brigadiere
- 200	Stripes for Vicebrigadiere
- 100	Stripes for Appuntato
- 200	metres of piping for Maresciallo
- 200	metres of piping for Maresciallo (small)
- 1300	Complete K.D. uniforms
- 1500	Towels
- 600	Abdomen belts
- 500	Forage caps
- 300	Full-overs
- 2550	Cloths-brushes
- 2550	Shoe-brushes
- 400	pairs of socks
- 2547	Equipment boxes
- 647	Kit bags

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situation of the other legions is improved after collection of the items stated at para 10.

a) Arms and Ammunition

Unchanged situation exception made for what is stated at para 10.

8. MORALE OF THE "ARMA"

Morale of the "Arma" personnel is getting worse owing to the pecuniary difficulties many of them are confronted with since so long a time, the lack of clothing and shoes and the bad barracks situation: these problems have not yet been solved the way the personnel wished or they have been solved only in part so that the military are obliged to suffer uncomforts and privations.
Officers and ranks are doing their best with their petty means in order to put a stop to such situation.

9. ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION

Public order is generally normal.
The following facts and events of note connected with order and public safety happened during the month are stated.

1st July, at Siena, VANNUCCI' Armando, aged 37, a fight having arosen for futile reasons, was killed with a knife by CONFETTORI Sebastiano. The killer gave himself up to the P.S.

1st July night, at Pucciohio (Florence), country worker RINALDI Dario was killed with "mitra" shots at his house door by an unknown assailant.

2nd July, two unknown men went to the parish house of S. Martino di Monte S. Pietro (Bologna) and killed the parish priest with a pistol shot. So far it has been impossible to detect the killers and find out the motive of the crime. Investigations running.

2nd July after-noon, at Florence, about 300 Jewishes created a disciplinated demonstration protesting against Palestine situation.

3rd July, at S. Agostino di Formara, BARONI Marta killed with a pistol shot her husband FERITOLA Arcangelo for questions of money. The woman has been arrested by the Carabinieri.

3rd July, Carabinieri of S. Pietro in Bagno, assisted by those of Bagno di Romagna, arrested 5 persons responsible for having constituted a criminal gang committing robberies since last January in that locality.

5th July afternoon, at Montecatini Terme (Pistoia), strike of 300 hotel workers. Strike ended the same day after agreement with the Syndicates.

5th July night, at Ferrara, two unknown assailants entered the central post office and obliged two clerks to give them 1.023.300 lire. Investigations are pending.

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5th July, Carabinieri of Manziana (Grosseto) arrested Scarpona Ilio, of Oreste, aged 19; D'ANIANI Svaliano, of late Fabio, aged 18; and MARTUCCI Luigi, of late Alberto, aged 18, convicted responsible for composing a criminal gang.

6th July, at Ponte Amerigino - Spezia (Massa), four unknown masked men, armed by pistols, robbed 4900 lire from BOGGIA Carlo, of late Rinaldo, aged 71, born at Isola Ortanovo (La Spezia). Robbers are searched.

6th July, on high road Passo Corneto - Rivisacco (Massa Carrara) two armed and masked assailants stopped the taxi 9777 RM, belonging to the driver GORRINI Angelo, of late Roberto, aged 32 and after having robbed 40.000 lire from a traveller, dott. CAPUI, stolen the car.

6th July, at Modena, two unknown men hired a car and once they came out of the town, they obliged the driver to get out and ran away with the car. Carabinieri of Castelfranco Emilia, after prompt investigations, recovered the car and arrested BOVI Renato, of Pietro, aged 26, born at Genoa and GIOVANNINI Manolo, of Cleto, aged 20, born at S. Cesario di Modena, alleged to be responsible for that crime.

6 July, at Campi Bisenzio (Florence) three unknown assailants armed by pistols and provided with motor-vehicle, robbed 25.000 lire from SAVARI Ubaldo owner of the local Cinema.

6 July, at Massa, about 1300 unemployed workers - 300 of them coming from Montignoso - created a demonstration against the "Genio Civile" office claiming outset of works to alleviate the want of occupation. Reinforcing Carabinieri arrived to prevent violences.

8 July, at Rifredi (Florence), 1500 workers of the "Galileo" factories suspended work for 30 minutes claiming increase of wages.

9 July, at Leghorn, demonstration of workers, food rations not having been distributed and rations of bread being insufficient. Prefetto met workers representative and ensured his interest in the problem.

10 July, at Sassuolo (Modena) two unknown men killed in a public street the country worker GRILLENZI Luigi, of late Eugenio, aged 51, living in that locality. So far the motive of the crime is not known. Investigations are pending.

10 July, at Marzio, about 400 workers of the "S. Giorgio" factories made a demonstration in front of the Prefettura protesting against bad quality of bread and Syndicate controversy not having been settled. The demonstrant crowd overpowered some P.S. guards and entered the building. The prompt arrival of reinforcing Carabinieri, prevented further violences.
During the demonstration the same workers stopped a bus of the "Lazzi" firm (making service between Florence and S. Marcello Pistoiese) and, after having obliged the travellers to get down, gave the vehicle in consignment of the Questura hindering the continuation of the travel.

11 July, at Bibbiena (Arezzo), unemployed demonstration of about 100 persons in front of the Municipio claiming for job. Similar demonstration has been organized in the same morning at Ortignano Raggiuolo (Arezzo)

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11 July, at Serravezza (Lucca), there has been a demonstration organised by Labor Chamber against Province and Government authorities, rebuilding works not having been started. About 300 demonstrants stopped circulation of vehicles on Aurelia Road. Arrival of Carabinieri reestablished order without any incident.

11 July, at Florence, LAGHI Leopoldo killed for brutal savageness his sleeping son Mario, aged 21 and wounded seriously with a knife his wife coming to him assistance to her son.

12 July, at Lucca, demonstration in front of the Prefettura of about 400 unemployed men coming from Pietramanta, claiming work. The Prefetto gave orders for the engagement of 100 of them, bringing to an end the demonstration.

12 July, at Pietramanta (Lucca), 700 workers interrupted every work activity and blocked the road traffic. Two trucks were sequestered to enable 100 demostrants to reach Lucca and ask the Prefetto for prompt outset of rebuilding works. No incident.

13 July, Carabinieri of Treigallo (Ferrara) arrested in the very fact, in the living house of VIOLI Vinicio, the robbers PINOTTI Luigi, aged 36, born at Milan and BERTHI Corrado, of Into Cesare, aged 21, born at Formura.

15 July, Carabinieri of Broviglio (Reggio Emilia) arrested ANDREOLI Remo, of Emilio, aged 22, living at Broviglio alleged to be responsible for attempted extortion at the cost of Ornato FERRARI.

16 July, at Ro Ferrarese, people found the body of ZANOTTI Paolo, of Raffaele, aged 33, living in that locality who had been killed with fire arm. Crime is supposed to have been committed by relatives of the victim. some of them are being held.

16 July, at Lucca, 150 unemployed War veterans gathered near the Tobacco Manufacture protesting against engagement of less indigent persons. A representative of the war veterans called on the Prefetto claiming for dismissal of aged workers. Demonstration ended without incidents.

16th July, at Siena, about 60 women made a demonstration in front of the U.M.A.L. office claiming better preserve of bread, increase of sugar ration and prohibition of exporting grain out of the provinces.

16th July, at Acquaviva Montepulciano (Siena), three unknown men, armed by pistols robbed 1500 lire from PAOLUCCI Oreste, aged 26 and 1200 lire from country-worker TIRANTI.

16 July after-noon, at Badia Tedalda (Arezzo) - Porto della Boccia, three Carabinieri fell in with two dangerous criminals wanted for triple attempted murder on robbery purpose and various thefts. At the intimation of halt the criminals extracted quicly the pistols aiming at the Carabinieri who reacted throwing an hand grenade. One of the two scoundrels was arrested immediately while the other, although was wounded, ran away to be arrested short later.

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16 July night, at Terrato di Empoli (Florence) three unknown men armed and masked robbed 300 and 200 lire from BINDI Guglielmo and GOTINI Vittorio. The robbers, afterwards, gave the money back to the two victims.

17 July, 150 workers of the A.N.I.C. factories of Collesalvetti (Leghorn) began a strike as solidarity with all the Italian petrol-workers, wages increases not having been accorded.
Work has been resumed at 700 hrs of the next day without incidents.

17 July, at Florence, about 300 employed of the Comune offices, after a meeting held at Palazzo Vecchio, went to the Prefettura meaning to suspend the work unless they were made sure of the regular payment of their wages.

18 July, at Campiglia Marittima (Leghorn), manifestation in front of the Municipio of about 60 unemployed workers and war veterans, protesting against want of occupation. No incident.

18 July, at Marina di Pisa, four armed unknown men coming from Tirrenia on board of an "Aprilia" car robbed jacket, trousers, shoes, and 1300 lire from BONELI Giovanni, of late Valentino, aged 35, born at Altopascio. The criminals ran away leaving him with his hands and feet tied.

18 July, at Florence, typographers and paper workers - about 2500 - began a strike to obtain increase of wages. Strike ended next day. On that day news papers were not printed.

19 July, workers of the mines of Monte Valerio (comune of Campiglia Marittima - Leghorn) started a progressive strike claiming for the indemnity of daily 30 lire at the place of the mess. No incident.

19 July, at Pistoia, strike of C.I.P. workers claiming increase of wages.

19 July at Florence, manifestation of about 250 unemployed workers, work not having been started.

19 July, at Florence, strike of about 100 gas-workers claiming payment of Republic prize. Gas distribution continued, a portion of the workers having kept on working.

20 July, at Lucca, about 200 unemployed war veterans went to the local industrial factories to claim work for war veterans. After having obtained engagement of half of them manifestation ended.

20 July, at Grosseto, workers of the local C.I.P. agency made strike for wages controversy resuming work at 800 hrs next day.

20 July, at Sienna, workers of hotels and restaurants stroock to obtain work hours reduction and increase of wages. Similar strike has been started by workers of the same category at Montecatini Terme (Pistoia) and Chianciano Terme (Sienna). In the latter town strike ended the same day.

20 July, at Florence, about 2000 unemployed workers, after a manifestation made in the morning to claim occupation, gathered in front of the Prefettura

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stopping road traffic. At the same time some small groups of them entered a Power Station causing temporary interruption of distribution and obliged some shops to close. At 1600 hrs the crowd, after inflammatory appeals of the Sindaco was dispersed by the public strength.

20 July, Arma of Forli' arrested the German P.W. Mikal BODAK of the P.W. Camp of Forli', responsible for committing robberies on 7th, 8th, and 19th July 1945.

21 July, at Portoberardi di Monteriggioni (Siena), an unknown man mugged and armed by mitra robbed 350 lire from the country worker CHIAI Armando.

21 July, Carabinieri of Follonica (Grosseto) detected and arrested the authors of the following crimes: theft of a pair of new shoes committed on 20 June in the "Minerva" Hotel; theft of 6 tyres, worth 400.000 lire committed on 21 December 1945 at the cost of Ballola Piana (Grosseto); theft of three tyres stolen from Villa Gori at Marina di Grosseto at the cost of a British officer. Also some receivers have been arrested.

22 July, at Lucca, clerks of Diani Firm, and staker of taxes on consumption, started strike asks indemnity not being payd and to claim wages established for clerks. No incident.

22 July, at Lucca, manifestation of about 220 unemployed war veterans claiming engagement in some industrial factories.

22 July, at S. Marcello Pistoiese (Pistoia) 300 unemployed workers left to Pistoia in order to inform the Prefetto about the bad situation of 2700 jobless workers living in that locality. Between 1100 and 1200 hrs every work activity has been suspended as solidarity with the unemployeds.

23 July, at Lucca, about 300 unemployed war veterans attempted to hinder entrance of personnel into the Tobacco Manufacture eluding selection of less indigent workers. After arrival of public strength manifestation ended without incidents.

25 July, at Montecarli (Massa Carrara), manifestation of about 400 unemployed workers eluding outset of public works. Traffic on Aurelia - Versiana road has been stopped by the crowd and reestablished later by the public strength. Strike continued next day and then ended after the Prefetto promised measures on their behalf.

23 July, at S. Giovanni of Concordia (Modena) unknown individuals killed in his house with "mitra" shots the ex-squadrista CESARE Dreifus, of Colleo, aged 41. Investigation running.

23 July, at Cesena, two unknown men, pretending to be P.S. agents robbed 60.000 lire cash and jewels worth 140.000 lire from SANTI COLI Nello, of Giovanni, aged 72, living at Cesena.

23 July, at Florence, between 1030 and 1230 hrs a train of hotel and restaurants workers crossed the town bearing signs showing their wants.

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23 July, at Te rita di Siena, local section of Labor Chamber ordered general strike claiming acceptance by the country workers of "Lodo DE GASPERI". Strike ended same day.

23 July, in Duomo Pozzi square, at Florence, two unknown persons brandishing pistols assailed CARRAI Ubaldo, aged 32 on robbery purpose. Arrival of some persons obliged the criminals to run away.

24 July, strike of personnel employed in taxes on consumption offices of Chiusi and Chianciano (Siena) claiming increase of wages.

24 July, at Porto alla Torre di Masan Comune (Pistoia) three unknown individuals armed by pistols robbed 1500 lire from MICHELOTTI Urbano aged 18.

24 July, at Cirgoli di S. Miniato (Pisa), unknown man threw a hand grenade against 6 persons standing in front of the People House. One of them was killed and seven seriously wounded. The author of the crime ran away. Motive of the crime is supposed to be political either for the place where the crime has been committed and for the finding of some handbills praising Fascism and Hitlerism. Investigations to detect the author and his accomplices are pending.

25 July, at Masan Comune (Pistoia), about 40 unemployed men obliged workers of local factories to suspend the work in order to induce the authorities to intervene on their behalf.

25 July, at Siena, about 300 women attempted to enter the UNRRA stores. Timely arrival of Carabinieri and P.S. agents made the women change their mind.

25 July, on Porrettana road, at Carvetta di Sasso Marconi (Bologna), three unknown individuals - two of them were wearing British police uniforms - pretending to make a control, stole a new "Lancia Aprilia" car belonging to "Federazione Consorzi Agrari" of Rome, driven by Dott. RICCI Fernando director of "Consorzio Agrario" of Ferrara.

26 July, at Siena, manifestation of about 100 women in front of the Prefettura asking the Prefetto for a better preserve of bread, increase of oil ration and control of prices.

27 July, at Montecatini (Pisa), unknown persons entered premises of "Toscana" Bank and forced the safe stealing 1.243.285 lire. Inquires pending.

28 July, in Via Carnalli - Florence - VIVI Mario, absconding, robbed a bag containing 5000 lire from Ricci Rosa aged 42.

10. GENERAL.

During past July the Legions received the following materials:

MOTOVEHICLES

Ancona Legion

1 Jeep, load capacity 5 quintals, No M. 418181

Bologna Legion - for Mobile Bn

2 Triumph motorcycles Nos M. 63930 - M. 63935

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6 B.S.A. motor-cycles Nos M. 63910 - M. 63912 - M. 63913 - M. 63919
M. 63920 - M. 63921

For the Territorial Commands
Nil

Florence legion: for territorial commands

4 Jeeps, load capacity 5 quintals, Nos M. 418443 - M. 418447 - M. 418455
M. 418475

3 "Fiat" 626 load carriers, load capacity 40 quintals, made at Turin, Nos
M. 142500 - M. 164257 - M. 156058

1 "Fiat" 1500 car, four seats, made at Turin No M. 406261

1 "Fiat" 166 load carrier, load capacity 60 quintals, made at Turin No M.164255

4 "SPA" 38R load carriers, load capacity 50 quintals, made at Turin Nos
M. 140199 - M. 140166 - M. 140195 - M. 140203

1 "Bianchi" motorcycle 500, No M. 102050 has been recovered.

Lechern Legion
Nil

BICYCLES

Ancona legion
Nil

Bologna Legion
40 "Bianchi" bicycles

Florence Legion
160 "Bianchi" bicycles

Lechern Legion
Nil

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

Ancona legion
1000 Underpants
6000 pairs of metal stars
200 pairs of second-hand shoes
1000 Kit bags

Bologna legion
450 Pairs of underpants
450 Shirts
2000 K.D. Uniforms
1000 Pairs of cotton socks
110 Pairs of mountain shoes
310 K.D. Trousers for riding troops.

Florence legion
300 K.D. Jackets
300 K.D. Trousers
300 K.D. Forage caps
200 Pairs of boots

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1500 Green-grey shirts
1500 Underpants
1000 Pairs of cotton socks
440 Caps
900 Pairs of second-hand boots
525 K.D. trousers for riding troops
100 "Durium"
250 Chains
200 Spoons

Leghorn Legion
900 Pairs of second-hand boots (in substitution of equal number of unusable boots)
255 K.D. Trousers for riding troops
300 Seals (Allied type)

ARMS & AMMUNITION

Arezzo Legion
Nil

Bologna Legion
1520 Shells Cal 37 for "Staghound" A.C. for Mobile Bn.

Florence Legion
3946 Cartridges for "Beretta" pistol Mod. 34.

Leghorn Legion
7 "Breda" automatic rifles Mod 30, Cal 6.5
154,965 Cartridges for "Breda" auto. rifles Mod 30, Cal 6.5

VARIOUS MATERIALS

1 Mobile workshop for Bologna Mobile Bn
1 Mobile workshop for Florence Mobile Bn.

COLONEL BADA TO: COMMANDER
- Francesco Borgiani -

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5 August 1946

Subject : [illegible]

To : [illegible]

1. Reference 7/113 dated 27 Dec.'45.

2. Attached (in quadruplicate) are the following: -

(a) [illegible] Monthly Report as at 1 July 1946.

(b) As Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 B.L.U.s and supplement to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bde., and equivalent Units.

(c) As Appx "B" is Staff List of 7 B.L.U.

(d) As Appx "C" is supplement to Staff List of all Italian Officers in the Command, of the rank of Lt. Col. and above.

(e) As Appx "D" is Progress Report on C.M.L. [illegible]

(f) As Appx "E" is Report by [illegible]

(g) As Appx "F" is Programme of Visit of Commander [illegible] Gen. [illegible])

C.C. [illegible]
Lt. Col.
GSO I.

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(f) At Appx "E" is Report by GSO. W.O.

(g) At Appx "F" is Diagrams of Visit of Commander MTA (Maj. Gen. E.H. GOODERHAM, DSO)

C.C. Hanks
Lt. Col.
GSO I.

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Subject : 7 B.L.U. End/ Fortnightly Month Report as at 1 August 1946

1. GENERAL.

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Major C. PARKER (HQ. M.M.I.A.) reported for 14 days attachment from 3-17 July 46 during which period he spent a short time working with each branch of the B.L.U.

(ii) Major W. GREENBURGH (CC.RR. Liaison Officer) began 7 days local leave on 8 July 46.

(iii) S/Ldr. PATENHORE (C.W.O.) began 7 days local leave on 1 July 46.

(iv) Mr. K.B. TREED R.A. completed 21st Learner Clerks Course at 83 General Tpt Column GRAZ and returned to this HQ. 17 July 46. Result is awaited.

(b) British.

(i) Town Major FLORENCE closed down w.e.f. 1 July'46

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(iii) All telephone Nos. of this HQ. were changed and turned over to civilian lines on 1 July 46. See 7 BLU STAFF LIST No. 5 dated 1 July'46 for new numbers.

(c) Italian.

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(d) Visits and Liaison

Fri July'46 S & T Rep inspected 154 TRANSPORT & SUPPLY COY of FOLIGNO Div. at FLORENCE — BLU/SM/G 10 of 5 July refers

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14 days attachment from 3-17 July 46 during which period he spent a short time working with each branch of the B.L.U.

(ii) Major W. GREENHOUGH (CC.RR. Liaison Officer) began 7 days local leave on 8 July 46.

(iii) S/Cdr. PATTERSONS (C.W.O.) began 7 days local leave on 1 July 46.

(iv) Cdr. K.B. TWEED R.A. completed 21st Learner Clerks Course at 85 General Tpt Column GRAZ and returned to this HQ. 17 July 46. Result is awaited.

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5 July 46	do.	BLU/SF/G 10 of 7 July refers
5 & 6 July 46	Major C. FARREL S.O.R.E. (MEDITA) visited Engineer Units of 7 Terr. Comd and FOLGORE Div. He finally had a conference with G I and G II on 8 Jul.	BLU/36 dtd 9 July'46 to 7 T.C. G3(W) MEDITA refers.
9 July 46	S & T Rep. inspected No 6 Food Dist. Depot at BOLOGNA	BLU/SF/G 10 of 12 July refers

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11 July'46 GSO I and GSO II visited CADORNA Barracks AREZZO to recce accommodation for one bn. 7 C.A.R. — HLU/35A of 12 July ref.

12 July'46 S & T Rep inspected No. 78 FOOD DIST. DEPOT LIVORNO — HLU/ST/G10 of 13 July ref

17 July'46 S & T Rep inspected No. 77 FOOD DIST. DEPOT ANCONA — HLU/ST/G 10 of 23 July ref

19 July'46 GSO I met Lt. Col. CHIAPPOTTI (Asst. G. of S. 7 T.C.) and Col. CAMONSO (Comd NUCLEO Regt) to discuss final details of G.O.C's tour.

21 July'46 Major Gen. E.N. GOULBURN, D.S.O. G.O.C. M.M.I.A., arrived in FLORENCE. — See Annex "F" of this report.

22 & 23 July 46 G.O.C. MMIA inspected Units of 7 Corps Comd and FOLGORE Division accompanied by GSO I

23 July'46 S & T Rep inspected UFFICIO SERVIZI of FOLGORE Div. at FLORENCE

28 July'46 S & T Rep inspected No. 7 Adm. Tpt Coy and Ambulance Car Sec FLORENCE — HLU/ST/G 10 of 30 July refers

2. "G"

(a) Organisation.

(i) Domestic: In view of the imminent departure (Aug. 12) of Sgt. BARKER on release, L/Cpl. HALFORD has been understudying the duties of Chief Clerk. — See HLU letter HLU/A 4dd 30 July 1946

(ii) Italian: N.T.R.

(b) Employment of Troops

(i) 7 Ind. Inf. Regt.

Guard and Internal Security duties in FLORENCE.
Large number of personnel sent to the C.A.R.'s of BARLETTA and BARI to collect recruits destined for the Regiment.
Details of detachments enjoyed outside FLORENCE.

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Reliefs of detachments employed outside FLORENCE.
Readjustments of W.E. organisation within the Regiment.
Drawing-up of materials for new recruits.
Preparing a sports ground.

(ii) FOLGORE Inf. Div.

Discharge of 1922 and 1923 classes.
Transfer of 68080 Regt. (less 3rd Bn.) from AREZZO area to PISTOIA, and of 1,3 & 6 Arty Bdys from PISTOIA to PISA.

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General re-organisation and improvement of new quarters.
(See also para 2 (c) Training)

(iii) 7 C.A.R.

See special report at App."B".

(c) Training.

(i) 7 Ind. Inf. Bde.

Owing to the discharge of 1922 & 1923 classes, and numerous routine duties, only few have been available for training. These have carried out P.T. and sports, weapon Training and Interior Economy. A cadre course has also been held for prospective Junior NCO's, with satisfactory results.

(ii) POLYGLOT Inf. Div.

MEDICI Regt. 3rd Bn., which remained in its training area (PIASTRE, North of PISTOIA) until 29 Jul., was able to carry out field and specialist training. The remaining two bns were able to do little training of note during the month owing to their move to the new location.

GARIBALDI Regt. Weapon and elementary tactical training of new recruits. Remainder have carried out company training.

Arty Regt. Troop and Battery training completed.

Eng. Bn. Revision and repair of technical equipment, dismantling the temporary huts in SCANDICCI Area: Specialist training.

7 C.A.R. See special report App."D".

(iii) Engineer Services:

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7 C.A.R. See special report App."D".

(iii) Engineer Services

107 Signals Coy. Training of the few available personnel has been confined to the first fortnight of the month, owing to the need for substituting on routine duties the personnel leaving on discharge. Training has consisted of P.T. and sports, driving and maintenance, specialist training, interior economy.

107 Services Coy No training possible owing to full employment on routine duties of 43 out of the available 46 personnel in the Coy.

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(d) Intelligence.

(i) At about 1100 hrs. 19 July 46 a procession of workers estimated at about a thousand persons, paraded through the streets demanding higher wages. The procession was orderly.

(ii) The release of 1922 and 1923 classes continues to run smoothly, it is anticipated that this will be completed by 15 August.

(iii) Recruits of 7 J.A.R. completed their course on 6 July'46 and have now joined their units. See Appx. "D".

(iv) It is officially reported that there is a growing feeling of disillusionment and resentment throughout the Italian Army over the proposed treatment of Italy under the Peace terms. This sentiment, especially on the part of Italian Army officers and the upper classes of civilians, has made itself felt also within British circles. There have been no deliberate "unpleasantness" or incidents at any level, but a certain formal "coolness" has been noticeable, and such remarks as "this is a sad and critical period for the Italian Army; poor Italy is on the verge of ruin" are frequent. None the less, in FLORENCE, and in the larger towns and seaside resorts in the vicinity, Italians, of all classes continue to disguise most effectively (and indeed mysteriously) the poverty, hunger and lack of means that are so regularly complained of.

3. "A"

(a) Domestic (HLI)

(i) Deficiencies

O.R's :	Sgt. Duty	NDO	1
	Cpl. Clerk	RASC	1
	Pte -	RASC	1
	L/Cpl -	RASC	1
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(ii) Court of Inquiry

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(ii) Court of Inquiry

A Court of Inquiry was held at this Hq. on 19 July'46 to inquire into the circumstances under which

(a) L/Cpl HAYWARD (7 B.L.U.) sustained injuries whilst travelling in W.D. Vehicle Chev. MEF no. 5905872 on 15 July 46

HLU/11 of 16 July'45 ref.

(b) of the accident in which damage was caused to the same vehicle at the same time.

By order of Hq. MEA a Court of Inquiry was held.

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at this Hq. on 24 July to inquire into the circumstances of the loss of LANCIA car W.D. No. 564,314 in use by Major [redacted] at [redacted] on the night 8/9 July 46.

MTA letter A.367 of 10 July refers.

(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in strength

HQ. 7 Terr. Comd.	30% below W/E
Medical Directorate	5% " "
Ordnance Directorate	13% " "
Motor Repair Directorate	40% " "
Veterinary Remount Depot	5% " "
Artillery Command	40% " "
Engineer Command	30% " "
7 Inf. Rest. Hq.	60% " "
7 C.A.R.	20% " "
[redacted] Div.	25% " "

(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists

7 Territorial Command

M.T. drivers	60% below W/E
Mechanics	30% " "
Artificers	40% " "
Operators W.T.	20% " "
+ Other specialists	35% " "

+ Including typists clerks, steam boiler operators, disinfectors, farriers, shoeing, cooks, carpenters, sanitary workers, masons, hospital orderlies, tinsmiths, electricians, blacksmiths, pipefitters, etc.

[redacted] Div.

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[redacted]	10% " "

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Medical Directorate	9%	"	"
Ordnance Directorate	15%	"	"
Motor Repair Directorate	40%	"	"
Veterinary Remount Depot	5%	"	"
Artillery Command	40%	"	"
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Mechanics	40%	"	"
Artificers	30%	"	"
Operators W.L.	60%	"	"
Other specialists	43%	"	"

(iii) Discipline Slow but steady improvement is reported.

(iv) Fly. No change in situation previously reported.

(v) Morale. Reported to be improving as regards the

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internal situation in Italy. This cannot be said, however, as regards the international (peace treaty) situation, which is a source worry and sorrow to all.

(iv) Public Relations. Contracts continue to be maintained with local Press and Civil authorities. There is a marked improvement in the attitude of the Press towards the Army.

4. "G" (a) Domestic (NIL)

(i) Transport for full details see return submitted under on NIL/23 - 1 August. Chevrolet H.U.P. U.S. No. M 5905872 was involved in a traffic accident on 15 July'46. See para 3 (A)(iii) B L R Certificate has been received but no replacement has yet been obtained. Our NIL/10 dtd 26 July refers

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Officers continue to live in the Excelsior Hotel, and O.R's in Villa PRIMAVERA. The civilian owner of the latter (non-Italian) is now back in FLORENCE and it is understood he wishes to reoccupy the Villa. No official contact has been made with him, but 16 Town Major (BOLOGNA) has been warned of the urgent necessity for the B.L.U. to retain this accommodation.

(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.
There are marked deficiencies in M.T. drivers, owing to the discharge of old classes. During the call up of the new class, the scarcity of available M.T. will be more felt.

(ii) Ammunition.
-1st and 2nd line ammunition is arriving to "FALCONE" Div.
-13 wagon loads have already arrived and 18 wagons will arrive in a short time.
-Sorting out of recovered explosives is still being made at ammunition dumps.
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(iii) Clothing and Equipment. Sets of clothing are being sent to 7 C.A.R. SIENA to provide for the call up of 1925 class. 7 Recovery and Manufacturing Centre is making summer clothing and repairing winter clothing. Movement of materials to new Depot at IMPOLINO NUEVO Barracks is being completed. Sheets and barrack tables have been issued to all Units under Territorial Command to meet all requirements. Horse hair mattresses for the troops are being manufactured. As soon as each lot is ready they are sent to 7 C.A.R. of SIENA.

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(iv) Accommodation.

FLORENCE. Works and repairs have been carried out in the following Barracks:

- ROVEZZANO (dismantling of former prison constructions and equipment)
- "GEN. GUIDOTTI" Plants (hygiene services lighting plant)

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Repairs to hygiene and water installations at SCANDICCI Barracks.
- Repairs to the "TORRE AGLI" building, which is to be a stores and workshop for the Engineer Works Directorate.

Repairs to sheds at NOVOLI (Military Geographical Institute).

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LUCCA. Repairs are being carried out at S. ROMANO and GARIBALDI Barracks.

(v) P.O.L.

Allotment of motor oil is still inadequate. A proposal has been put forward to Ministry of War that this allotment should be increased from 3,5% to 5%.

(vi) Medical.

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ENDIMEA continue to occupy 4 Buildings belonging to the ISTITUTO CHIMICO FARMACEUTICO MILITARE. One of these Buildings is very urgently required by the Italian Military Authorities to enable them to install the machinery which has already arrived from ENIAMO and lying idle.

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Appendix "A" to 7 B.L.U. Letter
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LOCATION STATEMENT 7 B.L.U.

OFFICER	
Lt. Col. MARKES	No. 1 PIAZZA DELLA STAZIONE - FLORENCE
Major GRAHAM	Room 318 - Excelsior Hotel. Tel. Florence 293670
Major HAMILTON	Room ---(+) " " " " "
Major CHEETHAM	Room 530 " " " " "
Capt. TATHAM	Room 446 " " " " "
Capt. STEPHENS	Room 420 " " " " "
Capt. NELSON	Room 462 " " " " "
	BOLOGNA

(+) Room No. not yet known.

British O.R's in Annexe to VILLA MICHAVIERA - Tel. FLORENCE 293634.

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Appendix "A" to 7 Pol letter
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LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS OF 7 TERRITORIAL
COMMAND AREA TO BE OF EQUIVALENT

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
Hq. 7 Inf. Regt.	FLORENCE	XXI - XXI
1st Bn. (ex 509)	FLORENCE	" "
2nd Bn. (ex 511 Bn)	FLORENCE	" "
3rd Bn. (ex 512 Bn)	FLORENCE	" "
Mortars Coy	FLORENCE	" "
Hq. 7 C.A.R.	SIENA	" "
1st Bn.	SIENA	" "
2nd Bn.	SIENA	" "
3rd Bn.	SIENA	" "
Hq. POLOGNE Inf. Div.	AREZZO	" "
NEMO Reg.	LAQUILA	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	PISTOIA	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	PISTOIA	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	PISTOIA	" "
"GARIBALDI" Inf. Regt.	PISTOIA	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	COVERCIANO	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	COVERCIANO	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	COVERCIANO	" "
184 Art. Rgt. Hq.	COVERCIANO	" "
No 1 25-Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No 2 25-Pr Bty	PISA	" "
No.3 25-Pr Bty	LEGHORN	" "
No 4 25-Pr Bty	PISA	" "
No 5 17- Pr Bty	LUCCA	" "
No 6 40-m/m A.A. Bty	LUCCA	" "
184 Engr Bn Hq Polgore	PISA	" "
Central School	FLORENCE	" "
Hq. 3 Brigade	FLORENCE	" "
Hq. MMB Bns Group	FLORENCE	" "
FLEGIONI Legion	FLORENCE	" "
Art. Group	FLORENCE	" "
Inf. Group	FLORENCE	" "
PISTOIA Group	FLORENCE	" "
AREZZO Group	PISTOIA	" "
SIENA Group	AREZZO	" "
LEGHORN LEGION	SIENA	" "
CC. Group	LEGHORN	" "
CC. Group	LEGHORN	" "
CC. Group	LEGHORN	" "
CC. Group	MASSA	" "
CC. Group	GROSSETO	" "
CC. Group	LUCCA	" "

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ANNEXURE 'I' to 7 M.I. letter
M11/20 dated 5th August '46

SECRET LIST 7 M.I.V. as at 1.8.1946

General Staff

G.S.O. I.	Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKES	L. Fus.
G.S.O. II.	Major H.W. HAMILTON	Buffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General.

DAA & QMG	Major D.S.L. GORDON, MBE	5 Innis. D.G.

Services.

S & T.	Capt. C.W.L. LOCKWOOD TAYLOR	RASC
RE	Capt. P.H. NELSON	RE

Attached.

CO. HQ. LIAISON OFFICER	Major W. GUENTHOUR	U.S.
MEDICAL L.O.	Capt. H.A. STEPHENS, MBE	RAMC

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Appx. "C" to 7 BDU letter
BDU/20 dated 5 August 1946

Amendments to the List of GENERALS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Div. Commander	-	GOTTI	CARLO	At disposal
Decreases	)			
Amendments	)	No Charge.		

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Annex. "C" to 7 FWU letter
FWU/20 dated 5 August 1946

Amendation to the list of colonels on duty with 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND FLORENCE

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increased.				
Col.	Art.	GROSSO	GIANFELICE	Chief of Staff - 7 Terr. Comd. Florence.
Col.	Inf.	CASTELLANI	UBERTO	At disposal
Col.	Art.	RICHERA	ENRICO	At disposal
Col.	Med.	MORELLI	MARIO	At disposal
Col.	Med.	GIARROTTI	DINO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	MARAVENTANO	SAVERIO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	PIERUCCI	CARLO	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	BOCCHI	GIOVANNI	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	PASOLI	PIERO	At disposal
Decreased.				
Col.	Inf.	PICCININI	CARLO	Transferred to Terr.Comd. ROME
Col.	Inf.	CIVOLI	MARIO	Discharged
Appointed.				
Col.	Engr.	GRASSO	AUGUSTO	From Engr. Hq. to H.Q. 7 Terr. Comd.
Col.	Art.	TOSCANO	BRUNO	From Arty H.Q. to H.Q. 7 Terr. Comd.
Col.	Art.	PENTAGNA	SAVERIO	From 7 Auto Depot to to HQs Screening Commission of TUSCANY.

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Appx " C " to 7 MAU letter
MAU/20 dated 5 August 1946

Amendments to the List of Lt.Cols. on duty with 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND PISORNO.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Lt.Col.	Med.	GRANATA	SALVATORE	Medical Directorate
Lt.Col.	Art.	FINO	SALVATORE	49th Arty Field Regt. PISA
Lt.Col.	Art.	FILER	ANGELO	7 Auto Regt. FLORENCE
Decreases.				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	VALENTINI	GIOSUE'	Transferred to Mil. District MACERATA
Lt.Col.	Art.	BONI	SILIO	Discharged
Lt.Col.	Art.	MORI	NICOLA	Transferred to Ministry of War
Lt.Col.	Inf.	RIZZI	ANGELO	Held in reserve.
Lt.Col.	Art.	AVOGADRO DI VIGLIANO ULIGI		Transferred to Terr.Comd. TURIN
Amendments.				
Lt.Col.	Art.	MORI	ALDO	From Arty Bde to HQ 7 Terr.Comd.
Lt.Col.	Engr.	GIUSTI	ENRICO	From Engr.Works Directorate to H.Q. 7 Territorial Command
Lt.Col.	Engr.	LUCHSI	PIERO	From Engr. Work Directorate to H.Q. 7 Territorial Command.

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BLU/20 dated 5 August'46

ORDNANCE WARRANT OFFICER's REPORT
for Month of July'46

1. INSPECTIONS.

Inspections were carried out of the following units. The observations raised are as detailed.

General. The IPPOLITO NIEVO, RIPRENDI consists of three main buildings or Blocks. Each Block has now been allocated to the units as follows: -

Present Nomenclature.	Future Nomenclature.
7 Clothing & Equipment Depot.	Central Military Depot.
7 Repair Shop	7 Recovery & Manufacturing Centre.
7 Bulk Barrack Stores Depot.	7 Principal Barrack Stores.

2. 7. CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT DEPOT.

At present this unit is situated at the FORTEZZA DA BASSO but it is in process of being transferred to the IPPOLITO NIEVO, RIPRENDI. The transfer is progressing slowly owing to the fact that this new site is still in the hands of the Engineers undergoing repairs thus adequate storage space is in consequence limited temporarily. As the transfer is taking place the Depot is being reorganised and will later be known as the CENTRAL MILITARY DEPOT. There are only three of these Depots in Italy, the other two are located at NAPLES and TURIN. They come immediately under the Ministry of War control.

The Clothing and Equipment as it arrives at RIPRENDI is being temporarily stored in a part of the Block allocated to 7 Repair Shop.

3. 7. REPAIR SHOP.

This Shop is still engaged on the Manufacture of Summer Clothing for the Italian Army. This new uniform is practically identical to the British Battle Dress except that it is made from a finer cloth. The standard of workmanship in this Manufacture is excellent. It is anticipated that this task will cease in about twenty days time when it is hoped that the Shop will be transferred to RIPRENDI. It will then be known as the 7 Recovery & Manufacturing Centre. In this connection I would point out that the transfer is chiefly being held up owing to the lack of Machinery. The required Machines have been demanded but are still awaited. (See my Report for Month of April) Accommodation is available to permit the use of 200 Machines.

4. 7 BULK BARRACK STORES DEPOT.

The new site for this unit is nearly ready for occupation. Transfer should commence in the very near future.

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4. 7 BULK BARRACK STORES DEPOT.

The new site for this unit is nearly ready for accommodation. Transfer should commence in the very near future.

5. O.P.P., "FALCONE".

The Binned Vehicles which were taken from the O.P.P. during the Election Period have now been returned. The Bins and Stores have been replaced as before and the Park continues to function to satisfaction.

6. VEHICLES - WAR ESTABLISHMENT.

During period 1st June'46 and 27th July'46. 188 JEEPS were collected from 4 L/93 Depot, LEGHORN. Particulars of each vehicle are recorded in this office.

S/Cdr.
Ordnance Warrant Officer.

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Appendix "B" 7 H.J letter

H.J/20 dated 5 August 46

Subject : End of Month report on 7 C.A.R. as at 31 July 46.

1. General.

(a) The first course at 7 C.A.R. ended on 6 July 1946 and recruits have been despatched to units and formations as under:

Number	Destination
64	ALPINI Bn. BOLZANO
560	Div. ACQUI
634	Div. SABAUDIA
575	Div. CREMONA
503	Div. LEGHORN
60	8 Inf. Regt.
Total 2396	

(b) Next Course will begin on 19 August.

2. Training.

Training as laid down in M of W programme was carried out with the exceptions of some small arms firing practises not completed due to insufficient ranges. 2" Mortar and PIAT firing was not carried out on account of lack of training ammunition.

3. Accomodation.

Permanent Staff of 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. under Command of Major CAPORIO (O.C.) are in the process of moving to CADORNA barracks, AREZZO where accomodation has been prepared for the entire Bn. Training facilities are in preparation and it is confidently anticipated that these will be completed for the commencement of training on 19 August.
The move of this Bn. from SIENA will completely solve the problem of overcrowding.

4. Personnel

Present shortage of instructors are Subalterns 12, Senior NCO's 10, Junior NCO's 60. This situation will be partially eased by the retention of 80 hand-picked ex recruits who will be trained at

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Number	Destination
64	AIRFIELD Bn. BIBBIANO
560	Div. ACOSTA
634	Div. SABAUDIA
573	Div. CHIUSINA
503	Div. LECCHIANO
60	8 Inf. Regt.
Total 2394	

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3. **Accommodation.**

Permanent Staff of 3rd Bn. 7 C.A.R. under Command of Major CAPORIO (O.C.) are in the process of moving to CAVONNA barracks, AREZZO where accommodation has been prepared for the entire Bn. Training facilities are in preparation and it is confidently anticipated that these will be completed for the commencement of training on 19 August.
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5. **Transport**

M. of W. have agreed (on paper) to increasing the W.E. of transport of 7 C.A.R. by one car and two trucks. This was necessitated by having to provide for a detached Bn. Delivery of these vehicles is anxiously awaited.

5. **Leave.**

All instructors of 7 C.A.R. will have completed their leave by 5 Aug'45, when the new call-up of the 1925 class begins.

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Appendix "F" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 5 August 45

PROGRAMME OF VISIT OF COMMANDER ARTA (Maj. Gen. R.H. COLLINGS, DSO)

TO 7 B.L.U. and 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND, 21-25 JULY 1945

Time-Table		Personalities
SUN 21 July.		
	Arr. Excelsior Hotel, FLORENCE	Military Manager. Capt COLLINGS.
MON 22 July.		
0830 hrs.	Visit Hq. 7 B.L.U.	
0900 hrs.	" Hq. 7 Italian Territorial Command (Palazzo S.CATERINA)	Comd Gen: Corps Gen. C. DI SIENO 2 i/c Gen. Brig. FIGALLI C. of S. Col. GROSSO A/C. of S. Lt. Col. CHIARIOTTI
0945 hrs.	Visit Hq. FOLGORE Inf. Div. (V. VENETO Bks)	Comd Brig. Gen. C. FILARSI 2 i/C Col. DE MEDICIS C. of S. Lt.Col. DE MARTINO
1030 hrs.	Visit GARIBALDI Regt. (FOLGORE Div) and FOLGORE H.T. Units (H/S, S & T Coy) COVERCIANO Bks.	Comd. Col. RAVNICH.
1130 hrs.	Visit 7 M.T. Repair Depot Military Prison Artillery Directorate Depot in FORTEZZA DA BASSO	Fortress Comd. Col. ATTIANI.
1300 hrs	Lunch with Gen. DI SIENO at Torr Comdi Messo (Via degli Arcadari 2)	
1430 hrs.	Visit 7 B.L.U. Cr's Billet (Villa FRIGANINI, Piazzale Galileo)	
1515 hrs.	Visit 7 Inf. Regt. FOLGORE Reg. Hq. at SCANDICCI, Bks.	Comd. Col. MANDINI Comdt. Lt. Col. SAVINI
1615 hrs.	Visit CO. HQ. Bn. Hdq. Bn.	Legion Comd. Col. CRUSCINI Gp. Comd. L.Col. BOTTACCI
	" Riding School at BAGNESERA Bks.	Hdq. Bn. Comd. Major PIANINI Offr i/c Maj. PIANINI
1700 hrs.	Visit "Casa del Soldato"	
1745 hrs.	Return to Excelsior Hotel	
TUES 23 July.		
0800 hrs.	Leave Hq. 7 BLU for LEGHA	
0930 hrs.	Visit Hq. 184 (FOLGORE) Arty Regt., and 4, IV V Btys at MONTELUPO FIORENTINO Bks.	Comd. Col. MAZZARRI Dist. Comd Col. MARTACU

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MON 22 July.

0830 hrs.	Visit H.Q. 7 B.L.U.	
0900 hrs.	" H.Q. 7 Italian Territorial Command (Palazzo S.CATERINA)	Comd Gen: Corps Gen. C. DE SIMONE 2 i/c Gen. Brig. FIDALEI G. of S. Col. GROSSO A/C. of S. Lt. Col. GHILARDOTTI
0945 hrs.	Visit H.Q. FOLGORE Inf. Div. (V. VENETO Bks)	Comd Brig. Gen. C. PIAZZESI 2 i/c Col. DE MICHELIS G. of S. Lt.Col. DE MARTINO
1030 hrs.	Visit GARIBALDI Regt. (FOLGORE Div) and FOLGORE H.T. Units (H/S, S & T Coy) GOVINCIANO Bks.	Comd. Col. RAVNICH.
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1300 hrs	Lunch with Gen. DE SIMONE at Terr Comd Mess (Via degli Arcuzieri 2)	
1430 hrs.	Visit 7 B.L.U. Cr's Billet (Villa PRIMAVERA, Piazzale Galileo)	
1515 hrs.	Visit 7 Inf. Regt. FOLGORE Reg. Bn. at SPANDUCCI, Bks.	Comd. Col. MANCINI C.M. Lt. Col. SAVINI
1615 hrs.	Visit CO.HQ. M/A. Bn.	Legion Comd. Col. GRASSINI
	" Riding School at BALDISSERA Bks.	Co. Comd.i.Col.BOTTACCI Sqn. Ldr. Comd. Major PIERONI
1700 hrs.	Visit "Casa del Soldato"	Offr i/c Maj. FLAMINI
1715 hrs.	Return to Excelsior Hotel	

TUES 23 July.

0800 hrs.	Leave H.Q. 7 BLU for MECCA	
0930 hrs.	Visit H.Q. 184 (FOLGORE) Arty Regt., and I, IV V Btys at PRINCIPE AMEDEO Bks.	Comd. Col. MIZZAURI
	Visit District Bks.	Dist. Comd Col. BERTACCI
1045 hrs.	Leave MECCA for PISTOIA.	
1130 hrs.	Visit District Bks. PISTOIA	Dist. Comd.Col. PATRONI
1145 hrs.	Visit M/80 Inf. Regt. PISTOIA	Comd. Col. CAMOSSO
1300 hrs.	Lunch with Col. CAMOSSO, M/80 Offrs Mess	
1400 hrs.	Dep. for BOLOGNA.	

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7 [redacted] MARINE UNIT
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5 July 1946

Subject : [redacted]

To : [redacted]

1. Reference SU/113 dated 27 Dec'45.

2. Attached(in quadruplicate) are the following :-

(a) End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 July 1946.

(b) As Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 B.L.U., and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command Area to Rpt., and equivalent Units.

(c) As Appx "B" is Staff List of 7 B.L.U.

(d) As Appx "C" is amendment to Staff List of all Italian Officers in the Command, of the rank of Lt.Col. and above.

(e) As Appx "D" is Progress Report on C.I.R. SICILY.

(f) As Appx "E" is Report by G2(c) W.O.

(g) As Appx "F" are extracts from Italian Newspaper Reports after visit of Journalists of TURKEY Newspapers to 7 Div. on 27 June '46.

C.C. [redacted]
Lt.Col.
G2(c) I.

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Subject : 7 B.L.U. End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 July 1946

1. GENERAL.

(a) Domestic (BLU)

(i) Capt. G. HINTON RASC proceeded on CRE release 13 June 1946.

(ii) Capt. LOCKWOOD TATHAM RASC reported for duty 12 June 1946, vice Capt. HINTON.

(iii) Capt. H.A. STEPHENS (RAEC att) was admitted to 59 Gen Hospital BOLOGNA 10 June 1946. Discharged from Hospital and returned to duty 23 June'46.

(iv) Major D.S.L. GUDGEON DAA & QMG proceeded on compassionate L.I.A.P. on 25 June'46 — MEDA Letter A.388 of 29 May refers

(v) Pte D. RUSSELL (Driver) posted surplus to W.E. w.e.f. 4 June.

(vi) The w/n proceeded on release on dates shown:-

Gnr. CLEAVE C. (Clerk)	11 June'46
Sgt. THOMAS W.R. (Duty NCO)	17 June'46
Sgt. ELLIOT A.B. (RAEC att)	17 June'46
Gnr. LLOYD G.H. (Clerk)	24 June'46

(b) British.

(i) Florence came under Adm. Command 217 Area w.e.f. 1 June'46.

(ii) Brig. A.G. MILLER (Comd 217 Area) visited 7 BLU on 11 June'46. After a discussion with G30 I he inspected the billets, and expressed his satisfaction.

(iii) A generous Allotment of Welfare equipment has been received from 217 Area

(c) Italian.

7 T.C. has kindly provided the B.L.U. Italian Tenement with a "sewing-maid", whose posting has been officially translated as "to complete W.E.

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(iii) A generous Allotment of Welfare equipment has been received from 217 Area.

(c) Italian.

7 T.C. has kindly provided the B.L.U. Italian Increment with a "sewing-maid", whose posting has been officially translated as "to complete W.E. (sewers)" This lady is unlikely to go down the drain!

(d) Visits and Liaison.

10 June'46. GSO II visited 7 C.A.R. See Appx "D"
11 June'45. Capt. P.H. NELSON (S.C. R.E.M.E.) visited this HQ. to attend conference with Col. DE MARTINO (C. of S. "EAGLES" Div.) to discuss issue of reconditioned vehicles.

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11 June'46. Major MERCKEN G.O.R. Sigs. MEA visited this HQ. Signal problems were discussed and a recommendation that GHQ be asked to accept a later date for submission of destruction certificates was put forward.

13 June'46. G30 II and DAA & QMG visited ROVEZZANO Barracks, FLORENCE to arrange hand over (to 7 T.C.) with O.C. 'G' Military Prison.

17 June'46. G30 II visited 7 C.A.R. See Appx"D"

19 June'46. G30 I and G30 II accompanied by Col. GHIGLOTTI (Asst. C. of S. 7 Territorial Comd) recced ROVEZZANO Barracks, FLORENCE, to discuss suitability of moving one battalion 7 C.A.R.

22 June'46. Col. PIDGEON, M.M.I.A. visited this HQ. and had conference with G30 I and other MMU officers.

27 June'46. G30 II accompanied Public Relations Officer 7 Terr. Comd. and 12 journalists on a tour of 7 C.A.R. See para 3 (b) (vii)

2. "G"

(a) Organisation.

(i) Domestic: A piquet consisting of two civilians has been supplied by 7 Territorial Command. This piquet is mounted at the VILLA FRIGNAVERA (CO's billet) to safe-guard W.D. transport and stores of this HQ.

(ii) Italian. N.I.L.

(b) Employment of Troops.

(i) 7 Ind.Inf. Bgde.

Employed on guards and internal security duties until 10 June'46.

(ii) 6 Recy. Group.

Under command P.B.S. and employed on guard duties.

(iii) [illegible] Div.

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(ii) Italian. N.I.R.

(b) Employment of Troops.

(i) 7 Ind.Inf. Regt.

Employed on guards and internal security duties until 20 June'46.

(ii) 6 Prov. Gaurd.

Under command P.B.3. and employed on guard duties.

(iii) POLIZIA Div.

Moved to APPENINO PISTOIESE Area beginning of June, for training. Returned to previous locations at end of June. See Appx "A"

(iv) 7 C.A.R.

Employed on internal security duties during election period.

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(c) Training.

(i) 7 Inf. Inf. Bde.

Range firing of EITEM M.G. and L.M.G. Route marches and recreational training.

(ii) FLIGHT Div.
[redacted] Bde. completed Coy training and commenced Bn. training. Live firing exercises on Coy and Bn. level were carried out. P.T. Recreational training and range practices continue.

[redacted] Bde. completed Coy training and commenced Bn. training. Motor transport exercises were carried out involving the entire regiment.

[redacted] Arty. Bde.
Gun training and maintenance. Specialist courses are being run and gun group firing practises have been carried out.

[redacted] Engineer Bn.
Specialist training including construction of diversions, clearing demolitions, construction of foot bridges, Radio and telephone communications drill.
It is reported that all Units of the FLIGHT Div. reached a satisfactory standard of training during this period.

7 C.A.Tps.
As per MINIMUM of WAR training programme. Satisfactory progress. See Appx "B".

(d) Intelligence.

(i) The election period 3-6 June passed quietly with the exception of a bomb-throwing incident at [redacted] on 6 June'46 in which two casualties were one killed and twenty two wounded. No military personnel were involved in the incident. Our Secret Signal 4/1 8 June'46 ref.

(ii) Certain regrouping of tps in 7 I.G. had been carried out by 23 May, in order to meet possible election period emergencies.

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(c) Enclosed Div.

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[redacted] Bde. completed Coy training and commenced Bn. training. Motor transport exercises were carried out involving the entire regiment.

16th Arty Bde.

Gun training and maintenance. Specialist courses are being run and two group firing practices have been carried out.

18th Engineer Bn.

Specialist training including construction of diversions, clearing demolitions, construction of foot bridges, Radio and telephone communications drill. It is reported that all Units of the [redacted] Div, reached a satisfactory Standard of training during this period.

7 C.M.P.

As per MONTHLY of WIR training programme. Satisfactory progress. See Appx "F".

(d) Intelligence.

(i) The election period 2-8 June passed quietly with the exception of a bomb-throwing incident at PIMA on 6 June'46 in which the communists were one killed and twenty two wounded. No military personnel were involved in the incident. Our Secret Signal dtd 6 June'46 ref. [redacted]

(ii) Certain regrouping of Pns in 7 C.M.P. had been carried out by 25 May, in order to meet possible election period emergencies.

3. "A"

(a) Domestic (HQ).

(i) Reinforcements.

CR's : Sgt. Duty HQD 1
Cpl.Clerk HQD 1
Pte - HQD 1
L/Cpl - HQD 1
L/Cpl - HQD 1

7 MIL letter & G.2.B copy to MMA (MIL/2 dtd 25 June'46) refs

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(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in strength.

7 Ind.Inf. Regts.	42% below W.E.
M.T. Repair Companies.	30% below W.E.
Medical Companies.	28% below W.E.
Artillery Companies.	32% below W.E.
Engineer Companies.	20% below W.E.
Quartier Generale.	21% below W.E.
Quartermaster's Companies.	11% below W.E.
Remount Companies.	20% below W.E.

(ii) Deficiencies in specialists.

7 Auxiliary Companies.

M.T. Drivers	45% below W.E.
Mechanics	30% below W.E.
Artificers	40% below W.E.
Motor boat operators	10% below W.E.
Operators	10% below W.E.
Other specialists +	25% below W.E.

+ Including typist clerks, barbers, shoemakers, cooks, hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, disinfectors, carpenters, sanitary orderlies, nurses, fitters, electricians, blacksmiths, ropemakers, plumbers etc.

(iii) Discipline. N.A.R.

(iv) Pay. N.A.R.

(v) Leave. All leave was cancelled during the election period.

(vi) Morale. An improvement in morale regarding internal affairs is reported. An adverse effect on morale has been felt due to the alleged harsh terms of the peace treaty.

(vii) Public Relations.

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Artillery Directorate.	32% below W.E.
Engineers Directorate.	20% below W.E.
Quartering Generals.	21% below W.E.
Ordnance Directorate.	11% below W.E.
Remount Directorate.	20% below W.E.

(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists.

7 Territorial Command.

M.T. Drivers	40% below W.E.
Mechanics	30% below W.E.
Artificers	40% below W.E.
Motor boat operators	10% below W.E.
Operators	10% below W.E.
Other specialists +	25% below W.E.

+ Includes typist clerks, barbers, storemen, cooks, hospital orderlies, steam boiler operators, disinfectors, carpenters, sanitary orderlies, nurses, signals electricians, blacksmiths, paperhangers, plumbers etc.

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(iv) Pay. N.I.L.

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(vii) Public Relations.

(a) At a conference at this H.Q. on 15 June the operation and activities of the Public Relations branch of 7 Terr. Command was discussed with Lt. Col. MARCELLI (P.R.Officer 7 T.C) by GSO I and Staff Officers of this H.Q.

(b) Col. MARCELLI stated that he had already contacted the leading Mauritius newspapers. The editors had intimated that they would gradually adopt a pro-army propaganda.

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(d) The [illegible] paper "[illegible] E [illegible]", it is reported is continuing to spread communist propaganda amongst the recruits at [illegible]. Steps are being taken by 7 Territorial Command through the [illegible] at [illegible] to discourage these activities. The N.C.F. W. has also, it is understood, been asked to take action.

(e) The following three newspapers are published by the Army.

(a)"LA LUCHA UNIDA"by 7 Terr. Command
3 Lire for each(weekly)

(b)"RADIO PATRIA" by 7 C.A.A.
5 Lire for each(weekly)

(c)"EL [illegible]"by [illegible] Div.
15 Lire for each(monthly)

Copy of recent edition of"LA LUCHA UNIDA" is attached.
These papers are printed free by the [illegible] [illegible], PARMA, the only expense being the initial outlay on paper.

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4. [illegible]

(a) [illegible]

(b) [illegible] the report submitted under our 311/25 dated 1 July 1946.

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(d) The following three newspapers are published by the Army.

(a) "LA LIBRA UNITA" by 7 Army. Command
3 Lire for each (weekly)

(b) "RADIO PARIS" by 7 C.A.C.
3 Lire for each (weekly)

(c) "IL PARLAMENTO" by FORCE HQ.
10 Lire for each (monthly)

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(a) Records (AG)

(i) Transports. See report submitted under our AG/3/3 dated 1 July 1945.

(ii) Accommodation.

A Villa at 12 Via Lorenzo Magalotti has been taken over from Lieut Major FERRELL. This Villa will either be used as officers married quarters by HQ & HQ Sqn of this HU or as an officers mess in the event of the Royal Hawaiian closing.

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(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.

No difficulties reported. Transport commitments over election period were met easily.

(ii) Ammunition.

Deficiencies of 1st and 2nd Line ammo' of FOLGORE Div. remain unchanged. An allotment to cover these deficiencies will be delivered in the near future from Directional Dump BITONTO.

(iii) Clothing and Equipment.

An issue of Summer uniforms has been made to all Units under 7 Terr.Comd. This issue was authorised on 15 June'46. Winter Uniforms have been withdrawn washed and repaired and stored ready for re- distribution.
Ministry of War will issue shorts to complete scale of Summer uniform.
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CASERME CURTATONE E MONTANARA
CASERME FANTI (Stores of Medical Directorate
MILITARY GEOGRAPHICAL INSTITUTE at NOVOLI

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A new water system is being installed at LAMARMORA barracks.

SPEZIA. Accomodation for one Bn. 7 CAR is being prepared at CADORNA Barracks

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PISA. Repairs are being carried out to upper floors and to drainage system at GARIBALDI I barracks.

LUCCA. Initial repairs have been completed to GARIBALDI I and MONTE ALFEO Barracks. Work is in progress on GARIBALDI Barracks.

LA SPEZIA. Sheds are being constructed at Artillery Directorate.

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(v) Dysentery.

The dysentery situation is critical especially those for penetration cases. No spread have been received since March. Mildness of the have been increased.

(vi) Malaria.

Allotment of petrol is reported to be sufficient. Injections are issued on a proportional scale of 4% of petrol allotment, this is totally inadequate especially in view of the rain condition of engines.
A proposal has been put forward to the Military of War that this allotment should be increased to 6%.

(vii) Medical.

No 24 Indian RED CROSS Hospital at AMBERNATH has been disbanded in accordance with Military of War instructions.
Increased anti fly precautions have been taken at 7 GH by the application of nets at windows of kitchens and by chemical spraying.
Mosquito nets have been issued to all units in malarial zones.

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LOCATION STATEMENT 7 B.L.U.

OFFICE	No. 1 PIAZZA DELLA STATIONE -FLORENCE
Lt. Col. MARKES	Room ~~458~~ - Excelsior Hotel.Tel.Florence 293670
Major GREGSON	Room ~~456~~ - " " " " " "
Major HAMILTON	Room 530 " " " " " "
Major GREENHOUGH	Room 446 " " " " " "
Capt. TATHAM	Room ~~538~~ 220 " " " " " "
Capt. STEPHENS	Room ~~472~~ 402 " " " " " "
Capt. NELSON	BOLOGNA

British O.R's in Annexe to VILLA PRIMAVERA - Tel. FLORENCE 293624.

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Annex "A" to 7 Pol'd Actn
FM/20 dated 5 July 44

LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS OF 7 DIVISION
AS OF 0001 HRS 10 JULY 44

UNITS	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
Hq. 7 Inf. Dggt.	Florence (Southeast)	ZZZ-ZZZ
1st Bn. (ex 309)	Florence (Southeast)	ZZZ-ZZZ
2nd Bn. (ex 3rd Bn) (1 Coy Lateorina)	Florence (Southeast)	ZZZ-ZZZ
3rd Bn. (ex 51st Bn)	Florence (Southeast) (1)	ZZZ-ZZZ
Hq. 7 C.A.Tk.	Siena	ZZZ-ZZZ
1st Bn.	Siena	ZZZ-ZZZ
2nd Bn.	Siena	ZZZ-ZZZ
3rd Bn.	Siena	ZZZ-ZZZ
Hq. "PANTHER" Inf. Div.	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
"PANTHER" Inf. Dggt.	Pistoia (1)	ZZZ-ZZZ
1st Inf. Bn.	Pistoia (2)	ZZZ-ZZZ
2nd Inf. Bn.	Pistoia (1)	ZZZ-ZZZ
3rd Inf. Bn.	Pistoia (1)	ZZZ-ZZZ
"GRANITE" Inf. Dggt.	Cavarzano	ZZZ-ZZZ
1st Inf. Bn.	Cavarzano	ZZZ-ZZZ
2nd Inf. Bn.	Cavarzano	ZZZ-ZZZ
3rd Inf. Bn.	Cavarzano	ZZZ-ZZZ
80. Art. Regt. Hq.	Lucca	ZZZ-ZZZ
No. 1 25-pr Dty	Pisa (2)	ZZZ-ZZZ
No. 2 25-pr Dty	Lucca	ZZZ-ZZZ
No. 3 25-pr Dty	Pisa (1)	ZZZ-ZZZ
No. 4 25-pr Dty	Lucca	ZZZ-ZZZ
No. 5 17-pr Dty	Lucca	ZZZ-ZZZ
No. 6 40-m/m A.A. Dty	Pisa (2)	ZZZ-ZZZ
13th Regt. Hq. Hq Troops	Florence (Southeast)	ZZZ-ZZZ
Central School CC.ZZ.	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
Hq. 3rd D.Gp	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
Hq. Mob.Bns Group	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
Florence Legion	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
Fwd. Group	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
Inf. Group	Florence	ZZZ-ZZZ
"Pistoia" Group	Pistoia	ZZZ-ZZZ
"Arezzo" Group	Arezzo	ZZZ-ZZZ
"Siena" Group	Siena	ZZZ-ZZZ
Legnaia Legion	Legnaia	ZZZ-ZZZ
CC.MR. Group	Legnaia	ZZZ-ZZZ
CC.MR. Group	Certaldo	ZZZ-ZZZ
CC.MR. Group	Rosano	ZZZ-ZZZ
CC.MR. Group	Lucca	ZZZ-ZZZ

(1) Movement is being performed from preceding locations to present area

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Appendix "B" to 7 B.L.U.
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STAFF LIST 7 B.L.U. as at 1.7.1946

General Staff.

G.S.O. I.	Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKES	L. Fus.
G.S.O. II.	Major H.W. HAMILTON	Buffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General.

DAA & QMG	Major D.S.L. GREGSON, MBE	5 Inns. D.G.

Services.

S & T	Capt. C.W.L. LOCKWOOD TATHAM	RASC
REME	Capt. P.H. NELSON	REME

Attached.

CC.RR. Liaison Officer	Major W. GREENHOUGH	G.I.
Medical L.O.	Capt. H.A. STEPHENS, MBE	RAMC

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Annex. "C" to 7 Div/letter
Div/20 dated 5 July 1946

Amendments to the List of GENERALS on duty with 7 Territorial Command Division.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Arrivees.				
Div. Commander	—	DOBELL	CGUO	At disposal
Departures.	}	No Change.		
Amendments.	}			

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Annex. "C" to 7 I.A.I. letter
AAI/20 dated 5 July 1946

Amendments to the List of CHANGES on duty with 7 INTERNATIONAL CONTACT MISSIONS

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAMES	APPOINTMENTS
Increases.				
Col.	Art.	GRASSO	ARCHILLE	At disposal
Col.	Inf.	DIGO	GIACOMO	At disposal
Decreases.				
Col.	Inf.	TARONI	GIUSEPPE	Transferred to Intr.Cond. Bn.
Col.	Art.	TAZZARI	GUSTAVO	Previously attached to Milit. Geographical Institute, now disbanded.
Amendments.				
Col.	Art.	BACCHIOLA	ULISSE	From Military District of Pa at disposal.
Col.	Art.	MARTINELLI	GIACINTO	Previously at disposal - Now Military District of Fiu
Col.	Inf.	MARONI	DINO	Previously Military Tribunal Now C.C. 7 Inf.Regt.
Col.	Art.	CERRA	MARIO	Previously at disposal - Now Tribunal Judge.

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List of officers on duty with 7 PROVISIONAL CRIMINAL COURTS DIVISION

ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Art.	CHIAVO	ANGELO	At disposal
Inf.	DEDO	GENARO	At disposal
Inf.	TASSONI	GIUSEPPE	Transferred to Tem.Gend. HQS Previously attached to Military Geographical Institute, now Mislanded.
Art.	TAZZARI	GIUSEPPE	
Art.	AMOSIOLA	GILIO	From Military Tribunal of PISA - at disposal.
Art.	MANFREDI	CLAUDIO	Previously at disposal - Now C.C. Military Tribunal of PISA.
Inf.	MANFREDI	DINO	Previously Military Tribunal Judge - Now C.C. 7 Inf.Regt.
Art.	SESTA	MARIO	Previously at disposal - Now Military Tribunal Judge.

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Annex "C" to Ltr. Hdqs. [illegible] dated 5 May [illegible]

Attachments to the list of Civilian Air Transport Aircraft Assigned

Item	Type	Base	Operating Agency	Authority
Transport [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Transport [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amphibian [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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Letter AG/370 dated 5 Mar. 43.

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List of Units, Stations and Activities with Certain Code Words Assigned.

ACT	CODE	OFFICIAL NAME	ADDRESS
Dept.	GULF	GULF	Mine Clearance Det from H.Q.
Arty.	STEWART	STEWART	Military District of STEWART
Inf.	CROSS	ATWATER	Base Military District
Inf.	CRYSTAL	CRYSTAL	ATWATER Military District
Act.	PALMETTO	PALMETTO	From the Sale of Cotton Textiles to Civilian retail of PALMETTO Markets.
Act.	PERKINS	PERKINS	From Dept. H.Q. to Military District of PERKINS.

Appx "D" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 5 July '46

Subject : End of Month Report on 7 C.A.R. as at 30 June 46.

1. Personnel.

(a) Recruits. At 30 June 2263 recruits were under training.

(b) Instructors. A serious shortage of instructors still exists, the largest deficiency being 78 Junior NCO instructors. Our BLU/35 F dtd. 16 June refers.

2. Training.

(a) Ministry of War training programme is being strictly adhered to. Recruits interest is held by first class instructors. Much attention has been paid to the systematic arrangement of training programmes to avoid wasted time between periods of instruction. This system is now working excellently due to the unfailing efforts of capable H.Q. Staff Officers.

(b) Personal record books (SCHEDINA PERSONALE) have been printed by 7 C.A.R. These books are kept up to date in Coy HQ and will be forwarded to the receiving unit when the recruit leaves 7 C.A.R. A speciman book is attached to this report.

(c) Training was interrupted for fifteen days due to election activities and the present course will now terminate on 6 July 46.

(d) Two Snipers rifles complete with telescopic sights have been lent to 7 C.A.R. by the "LEMBO" Regt. These are sufficient to give recruits a general idea of the weapon, as indicated in Ministry of War programme.

3. Clothing.

Italian manufactured Summer clothing is arriving slowly and is being immediately issued.

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4. Welfare.

During the month of June a first class canteen for ORs has been furnished, also a smaller canteen for NCOs and a bar for Officers. These are all situated at LA MARMORA Barracks and are well patronised. A grant of 250,000 (a quarter of a million) lire has been made by Ministry of War to open up a soldiersclub ("EX-CASA DEL FASCIO) in SIENA. Plans are being made for the

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5. Morale of troops is satisfactory, a tangible test of this was shown in their excellent, well disciplined behaviour during the election period. Officers of 7 C.A.R. fully realise the importance of the soldiers' welfare and a good relationship exists between Officers and men. Twenty two cases of absence without leave occurred during the month, sixteen of whom have now returned.

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Appendix "A" to 7 B.L.D. letter
W/20 dated 2 July 1946

B.L.D.'s MOVEMENT OF [illegible] AS AT 1 JULY 1946

1. 7 Bulk Issues Stores Depot

7 Territorial Command have now ruled that the 7 Bulk Issues Stores Depot will be allocated four rooms at the originally proposed site at [illegible] (Ippolito Store).

The objections that I made to this site have been mutually overcome. The four large rooms are now to be divided into sections and the difficulty in transporting the stores up to the top floor has been overcome by installing existing elevators.

2. 7 Clothing & Equipment Depot

The detachment of 7 Repair Factory has been transferred from [illegible] to the new location at [illegible]. The Clothing and Equipment is still being transferred but it is anticipated that this will be complete by 31 July 1946.

3. 7 Repair Factory

Lowering of supply of machinery required.

Items concerned are as detailed in my previous report for month ending April 1946.

The transfer of this unit to [illegible], [illegible] is expected to commence on or about, 21 July 1946 i.e. upon completion of transferring 7 Clothing & Equipment Depot (see para 2). In the interim this factory is employed in the manufacture of Summer Clothing which is urgently required in the Command.

Thus the transferring is likely to be slightly delayed in order that the manufacturing may not be interrupted.

4. [illegible] Ordnance Field Park

(a) Instructions were received by the O i/c Ordnance Field Park "[illegible]" from "[illegible]" H.Q. to clear all M.T. Spares from his Special Issued Vehicles. It was stated by H.Q. that owing to the lack of reliable transport the Armed Vehicles would be required to "stand by" during the election period.

(b) The removal of these items from the vehicles has caused great concern to the O.C. itself and they are rather jealous of [illegible]

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The detachment of 7 Depot Factory has been transferred from [redacted] to the new location at [redacted]. The Clothing and Equipment is still being transferred but it is anticipated that this will be complete by 31 July 1946.

5. 7 Depot Factory

Restoring of supply of machinery required.
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6. [redacted] Ordnance Field Park

(a) Instructions were received by the O i/c Ordnance Field Park "[redacted]" from "[redacted]" H.Q. to close all M.T. Spares from its Special Issued Vehicles. It was stated by H.Q. that owing to the lack of suitable transport the Issued Vehicles would be required to "stand by" during the Florida period.
(b) The removal of these Spare from the vehicles has caused great concern to the O.F.P. itself and they are rather dubious of issuing these vehicles returned.
(c) The whole position is being investigated.

5. VEHICLES - War Establishment

During period 1st June to 24 June 1946 400 Jeeps were collected from A.I/95 Depot, [redacted]. Particulars of each vehicle are recorded in this Office.

S/Ldr.
Ordnance Warrant Officer.

30th June 1946.

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BLU/20 dtd. 5 July 1946

EXTRACTS FROM ITALIAN NEWSPAPER REPORTS AFTER VISIT OF

JOURNALISTS OF TUSCANY NEWSPAPERS TO 7 C.A.R. on 27 JUNE 46

1. "LA PATRIA" 28 June

(a) General. An accurate, objective, and uncoloured report of the personalities, organisation and activities of the C.A.R.

(b) Extracts (Precis)

"When have we ever seen a Barracks like that of 7 C.A.R.? or beds of that type, or windows so airy, or dining-halls so clean, or cookhouses so bright and promising? On the films - but not, unfortunately, on the Italian films! In fact, the C.A.R.'s have been developed (as regards general lines, and details of individual life, as well as the characteristics of military training) on the American and English model. In truth, more on the English than the American.

The desire that the soldier should live in comfortable, one might say luxurious surroundings is typical of the mentality (and of the means) of the British.

The soldier, naturally, feels the difference when he is free from the worry of civilian clothes, bright ties, overalls, Sunday suit. His brain, too, is free from former trammels and looks to other interests. His spirit soars, his enthusiasm rises, he wins wars. He would like an atom bomb, yes - but still, for want of better.....! Naturally, English and Americans are by our side and are helping us from the practical point-of- view (the arms and equipment of the 4,000 recruits of the C.A.R. are all of Allied type), and they are also putting at our disposal their experience and advice. Major HAMILTON, representing the Allied Military Commission, was with us yesterday with the Colonel Commandant. Of all the Officers present he (Major HAMILTON) was the most anxious to ask us our true impressions - also especially as "outsiders" - of all that we were shown, down to the minutest detail. His precise reason for this is not difficult to understand. Yesterday was the first official contact between the new Italian Army and the Country. The curtain was raised, and "the public" mounted the stage to see what had been done, during months and months, behind the scenes.

Naturally, we had our misgivings. Even though such an organisation may have had excellent results in shall we say, their country of origin, the Allies cannot but have had at heart some justifiable doubts as to how the particular Italian mentality would have accepted the "rulers" and the masses.

For us - we who write - the impression has been full of cheer. Certain people, in other parts, may produce various criticisms regarding the greater or the less advisability of setting up in

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For us - we who write - the impression has been full of cheer. Certain people, in other parts, may produce various criticisms regarding the greater or the less advisability of setting up in Italy an English rather than, for example, a Swiss organisation. But these are problems of enormous importance which clearly it is not for us to "put on the mat". But what gives us confort - and we consider it undeniable - is the enhanced "decorum" which the Italian Army has already reached since these, its first steps. To dress oneself in grey-green uniform used to imply launching oneself into disconsoling surroundings. For the mothers and wives to weep at the parting of a son or husband it was not necessary to be at war. And it was not only the separation which moved them to tears. "Being a soldier" is an expression which has for too long contained the image of a dead period in the life of every man. To-day even while "being a soldier", one lives.

And, what's more, a deal better than at home.

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2. "IL NUOVO FANFULLA" (Weekly) 30 June.

(a) General. The article consists mainly of an accurate and objective description of the training and organisation of the C.A.R. and ends as follows:-

(b) "the recruits, the soldier, everything which goes to make up the military life, is attractive, and is surrounded by an atmosphere of social life which has nothing in common with the past. In truth, all that was previously provided for the officers is to-day provided for the soldiers.

A camaraderie between men and officers, good treatment, every consideration which counts towards forgetting the past, is now in being"..... etc.

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT.
FLORENCE.

REF: BLU/20

6 June 1946

Subject : Reports and Return - End/Beginning Month Report.

To ; M.M.I.A.

1. Reference SD/113 dated 27 Dec'45.

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Subject ; 7 B.L.U., End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 June 1946.

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14 May CC.RR. Units, and troops at BELVEDERE Fort, FLORENCE. Accompanied by GSO.II., and CC.RR. LO.

16 May "NEMBO" Regt. at MONTEVARCHI, and large concentration camp at LATERINA. Accompanied by GSO.II.

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21 May — Service Units under 7 Territorial Command in FLORENCE. (GSO.II., and DAA & QMG only)

23 May — Artillery Groups, FOLGORE Division at PISTOIA. Accompanied by GSO..II., also visited District HQ., and spoke to District Commander.

28 May — 7 Ind.Regt.FLORENCE, accompanied by GSO.II.

Owing to the advent of the Election period and the move to new locations of FOLGORE Division and of certain other units of 7 T.C., the remainder of the above programme of twice - weekly visits have been temporarily suspended, but will be resumed shortly.

Great efficiency and cordiality has been displayed by all ranks of the Italian Army on these visits. On receipt of the detailed reports of the first two visits, sent personally to Gen.SIMONE by GSO.I., the former replied personnaly expressing his thanks for any suggestions or criticisms made, and his full appreciation that they were made with the object of assisting him in his task of rebuilding the Italian Army under difficult moral material, and financial conditions.

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Photographs of the parade have been sent to Col KERR by GSO.I. (see 7 HLU DO/1 letter dated 31 May)

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On the previous evening Col KERR assisted at a prize-giving at the Casa Del Soldato, at which awards were given to winners of events covering a full week of sports; fencing, patrol competitions etc.

At both the above ceremonies Col KERR was accompanied by GSO.I., and DAA & QMG.

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Employed on guard duties on Military Depots, Prisons, Train escorts etc.

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(c) Training.

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Mainly employed on guard duties but some individual training is being carried out; marching, arms drill, range firing of rifle and LMG, throwing hand grenades.

Embussing drill is being practised together with traing in security duties i.e. maintenance of road blocks and security cordons etc.
P.T. and recreational training.
NCO's cadres are in progress.

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(ii) FOLGORE Div.

Platoon and Company training. Courses are being run on R/T, M.T., NCO's and Officers cadres are in progress.
Reinforcements continue range practise and Section training.

(d) Intelligence.

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Medical Directorate.	25% below W.E.
Artillery Directorate.	30% below W.E.
Engineers Directorate.	19% below W.E.
FOLGORE Division.	+

+ (FOLGORE figures not yet available but will be forwarded when received)

(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists.

	7 Territorial Cmd.	FOLGORE Div.
M.T.Drivers.	10% below W.E.	+
Mechanics.	20% below W.E.	+
R/T Operators.	10% below W.E.	+

(iii) Discipline.

Is gradually improving and is generally satisfactory. It will be further improved with the release of old classes. The effect on discipline of the Election and Referdum results remains to be seen, and will be watched closely.

(iv) Pay.

As ever, Pay is considered by all ranks to be insufficient.

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(ii) Accommodation.

The plan for the occupation of VILLA PRIMAVERA as laid down in the last month report has been put into effect, and is working well.

(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.

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(iv)aAccomodation.

7 Ind.Inf.Regt., completed its move to Caserma Funzionale di SCANDICCI.

(v) Tyres.

Serious shortage, particularly in light passenger vehicles.

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(vi) P.O.L.

A strike at C.I.P. during May, caused temporary shortage. Petrol can now be drawn normally and reserve stocks used during the strike have been replenished.

(vii) Medical.

(a) Anti-Malarial precautions are being carried out in malarious zones and suspected places. A regular issue of quinine and anti-malarial pills is being made.

(b) Smallpox and anti-typhus inflection are being carried out regularly.

(c) 8 Rail Trucks of captured Medical Stores, arrived at the Institute during the month of May; 7 ex MEF and 1 ex CMF, 2 Rail Trucks of Condoms received from M.E. were found to be date-expired and perished and not suitable for handing over to the Italians at the usual charge.

161 Rail Trucks of Medical Stores and equipment arrived from MERANO during May.

(d) ENDIMEA continue to occupy 5 buildings belonging to the ISTITUTO CHIMICO-FARMACEUTICO MILITARE which are urgently required by the Italian Military Authorities for storage of Medicines and Machinery coming from MERANO and Allied sources. (see also previous reports)

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LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS IN 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND LOCEN TO ENS OR EQUIVALENT

UNITS	LOCATION		CATEGORIES
	Up to 28 May' 1946	After 28 May 1946	
HQ. 7 Inf. Regt.	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
1st Bn (ex 509 Bn)	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
2nd Bn. (ex 511 Bn)	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
3rd Bn. (ex 512 Bn)	Pisa	Pisa	ITI-ITI
HQ. 7 C.A.R.	Siena	Siena	ITI-ITI
1st Bn.	Siena	Lucca	ITI-ITI
2nd Bn.	Siena	Arezzo	ITI-ITI
3rd Bn.	Siena	Siena	ITI-ITI
"FOLGORE" Inf.Div.HQ	Florence	S.Marcello Pistoiese	ITI-ITI
"NEMBO" Inf.Regt. HQ	Arezzo	Biastre-Prunetta	ITI-ITI
1st Inf.Bn.	Montevarchi	Biastre-Prunetta	ITI-ITI
2nd Inf.Bn.	Arezzo	Biastre-Prunetta	ITI-ITI
3rd Inf.Bn.	Cortona	Passo dell'Abetone	ITI-ITI
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184 Art.Regt.HQ	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 1 25-Pr Bty	Pistoia	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 2 25-Pr Bty	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 3 25-Pr Bty	Pistoia	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 4 25-Pr Bty	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 5 17-Pr Bty	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 6 40-m/m A.A. Bty	Pistoia	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
184 Engr.Bn.HQ "FOLGORE"	Florence	Pontepetri	ITI-ITI
Central School CC.RR.	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
HQ 3rd B.de	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
HQ. Mob. Bns Group	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
Florence Legion	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
Art.Group	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
Int. Group	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
"Pistoia" Group	Pistoia	Pistoia	ITI-ITI
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Leghorn Legion	Leghorn	Leghorn	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Leghorn	Leghorn	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Grosseto	Grosseto	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Massa	Massa	ITI-ITI
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"Siena" Group	Siena	Siena	ITI-ITI
Leghorn Legion	Leghorn	Leghorn	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Leghorn	Leghorn	ITI-ITI
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LOCATION STATEMENT 7 B.L.H.

Office No.1 Piazza della Stazione-FLORENCE

	Lt.Col. MARKUS	Room 458 - Excelsior Hotel. Tel. Florence 1143	
X	Major GIBSON	Room 456 - " " " " "	
	Major HAMILTON	Room ~~345~~ 530 - " " " " "	
	Major CROSSHOUGH	Room 446 - " " " " "	
	Capt. MORROW	Room 452 - " " " " "	
	Capt. STEVENS	Room 470 - " " " " "	
	Capt. MILLET	BOLOGNA	X

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STAFF LIST 7 B.I.U. as at 1.6.1946

General Staff.

GSO. I.	Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKS	I.Fus.
GSO. II.	Major H.W. HAMILTON	Buffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General.

DAA & QMG	Major D.S.I. GRAHAM	5 Trans.D.G.

Services.

S & T	Capt. G.A. MOSCOW	RAEC
RAMC	Capt. F.H. NELSON	RAMC

Attached.

CC.RR. Liaison Officer	Major W. GREENHOUGH	G.L.
Medical I.O.	Capt. H.A. SMITHETH. MIA	RAMC

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Amendments to the List of OFFICERS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Col.	Art.	FORNICHI RAMY DE TURIQUE EMILIO		At disposal
Col.	Art.	CHIARO	ENRICO	At disposal
Col.	Art.	MANFREDI	GIACOMO	At disposal
Col.	CC.RR.	PORCIANI	FRANCESCO	C.O. Mob.Bns. Florence
Decreases.				
Col.	Art.	PACINOTTI	GIOVANNI	Transferred to Terr.Cond.NOR
Col.	Art.	DI PIETRA	RAIMONDO	Transferred on reserve
Col.	Inf.	QUIRICO	IGINO	Transferred to Terr.Cond.TOR
Amendments.				
Col.	Inf.	BARBERO	PIETRO	At disposal
Col.	Art.	MALAGUGINI	GIULIO	C.O. 7 Art.Regt.(Field) Depo
Col.	Inf.	SORETI	AGOSTINO	Before at disposal - C.O. 81 Inf.Regt. Depot.

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to the List of OFFICERS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Art.	FORESTI REMY DE TRIQUE EMILIO		At disposal
Art.	GRIARO	ENRICO	At disposal
Art.	MANFREDI	GIACOMO	At disposal
CC.RR.	PORCIANI	FRANCESCO	C.O. Mob.Bn. Florence
Art.	PACINOTTI	GIOVANNI	Transferred to Terr.Comd.ROME
Art.	DI PIETRA	RAIMONDO	Transferred on reserve
Inf.	QUINTO	IGINO	Transferred to Terr.Comd.TORINO
Inf.	BALDERO	PIETRO	At disposal
Art.	BALAGAMBA	GIULIO	C.O. 7 Art.Regt.(Field) Depot
Inf.	SORETTI	AGOSTINO	Before at disposal - C.O. 81. Inf.Regt. Depot.

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Appendix "C" to 7 T.C. letter PM/20 dated 6 June 1946

Amendments to the list of Lt.Cols. on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	TONARELLI ERMINIO		Military District of MASSA
Lt.Col.	Inf.	CUPPERA	EMANUELE	84. Inf.Regt. Depot
Lt.Col.	Art.	BACCIANI	VINCENZO	7 Field Art.Regt. Depot
Lt.Col.	Inf.	DELLA CAVA	FRANCESCO	Military District SIENA
Decreases.				
Lt.Col.	Engrs.	PENNISA	FERDINANDO	Discharged
Lt.Col.	Inf.	ZAPPELLI	GINO	Transferred to Mil.District ROME
Lt.Col.	Inf.	CARONE	MICHELE	Sent on sick leave
Amendments.				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	SCUTO	CARMELO	From H.Q. to Mil. District PISA
Lt.Col.	Art.	FERRIGNO	RAFFAELE	From 7 Field Arty Regt.- At disposal Florence Hospital to Florence District.
Lt.Col.	Med.	DI CASOLA	GIUSEPPE	
Lt.Col.	CC.RR.	BONI	ANDREA	From C.C. Mob.Bns. Florence to disposal Florence Legion.
Lt.Col.	CC.RR.	GRUEX	GIUSEPPE	From CC.Rt. Legion Florence, - at disposal 7 Terr.Comd. Florence.

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Appendix "B" to 7 B.I. letter MIL/20 dated 6 June 1946

...to the list of Lt.Col's. on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
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Inf.	CUFFARA	EMANUELE	84 Inf.Regt. Depot
Art.	BACCIANI	VINCENZO	7 Field Art.Regt. Depot
Inf.	DELLA CAVA	FRANCESCO	Military District SIENA
Engrs.	PERISSA	FERDINANDO	Discharged
Inf.	ZAPPELLI	GINO	Transferred to Mil.District ROME
Inf.	CAPONE	MICHELE	Sent on sick leave
Inf.	SCUTO	CARMELO	From H.Q. to Mil. District PISA
Art.	PERUGINO	RAFFAELE	From 7 Field Arty Regt.- At disposal
Med.	DI CASOLA	GIUSEPPE	From Florence Hospital to Florence District.
CC.RR.	BONI	ALFREDO	From C.C. Mob.Ins. Florence to disposal Florence Legion.
CC.RR.	GIULI	GIUSEPPE	From CC.RR. Legion Florence, - at disposal 7 Terr.Cond. Florence.

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Appendix "C" to 7 B.I.U. letter M9/20 dtd 6 June 19

Amendments to the List of GENERALS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases				
Decreases.		No Change.		
Amendments				

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Appendix "C" to 7 B.L.H. letter H.57/20 dtd 6 June 1946

to the List of GENERALS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
		No Change.	

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Appendix "C" to
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FOR-DATA

7 B.A.O.R. Mechanical Transport Stocks as at 1st June 1946

SERIAL No. (a)	VEHICLE (b)	W.D. No. (c)	CHASSIS No. (d)	ENGINE No. (e)	SPECIFIED (f)	LOCAL REPAIR (g)	AMOUNT LOCAL REPAIR (h)
1.	ALFA - ROMEO. (4 Str.)	CMP/M 5938210	NK	913009	Yes.	-	-
2.	CHEVROLET. H.U.P.	M.5905872	NK	4844520202	Yes.	-	-
3.	CHEVROLET. H.U.P.	M.5905880	NK	4844520011	Yes.	-	-
4.	CHEVROLET. H.U.P.	Z.5906050	NK	4844520522	Yes.	-	-
5.	WILLYS JEEP.	M.5661815	2275	354379	Yes.	-	-
6.	FORD 15 CWT.	E.5428450	NK	NK	No.	Yes.	-
7.	FIAT 1100	CC.NR.7039	NK	278321	Yes.	-	-
8.	B.S.A. 500 cc.	4562185	WM.20	9337 (Frame No)	Yes.	-	-
9.	B.S.A. 500 cc.	5123826	WM.1048	9026 (Frame No)	Yes.	-	-

Certified above vehicles are held on charge, that their condition is as stated and that AB 42 and AB56 have been inspected and found correct.

Signed.....

Date.....

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ROYAL AIR FORCE

Domestic Transport Stock as at 1st June 1946

Reg. No. (a)	CHEVRAGE No. (b)	CHASSIS No. (c)	EFFICIENT (d)	LOCAL REPAIR (e)	BEYOND LOCAL REPAIR (f)	REMARKS (g)
CMP/M 5938210	MK	913009	Yes.	-	-	
M.5905872	MK	4844520202	Yes.	-	-	
M.5905880	MK	4844520011	Yes.	-	-	
M.5906050	MK	4844520522	Yes.	-	-	Attached with RAEC personnel.
M.5661815	2275	354379	Yes.	-	-	
E.5428450	MK	MK	No.	Yes.	-	Awaiting new engine.
CC.RR.7039	MK	278321	Yes.	-	-	Attached with CC.RR. LO.
4562185	WM.20	9337 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-	
5123826	WM.10A8	90426 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-	

We are hold an charge, that their conditions is as stated and that AP 142 and AP406 have been

Signed.....
Date.....6 June 46

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Re: Increment to 7 B.I.H. Domestic Transport : State as at 1st June 1946

H.F. ref:CH/640/1

	Serial No. (a)	Veh Type (b)	W.D. No. (c)	Contract No. (d)	Chassis No. (e)	Efficient (f)	Local Repair (g)	Beyond Loc Repair (h)
1.	Dodge 15 CWT.4x2 GS.	4833452	T/2225/H/Mech/ 2548	91015616		Yes.	-	-
2.	Norton 500cc M/C	C.5271094	S/2606	W/87894 (frame No)		Yes.	-	-
3.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441065	NK	W/10643	" "	Yes.	-	-
4.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441720	NK	W/37521	" "	No.	Yes.	-
5.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441030	NK	W/31616	" "	Yes.	-	-
6.	" 500cc M/C	C.1443383	NK	W/71597	" "	No.	Yes	-
7.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441669	NK	W/55698	" "	Yes.	-	-
8.	" 500cc M/C	C.5269451	S/2602	W/86251	" "	Yes.	-	-
9.	" 500cc M/C	C.1402237	7353	2692	" "	Yes.	-	-
10.	" 500cc M/C	C.5270377	NK	W/87694	" "	Yes.	-	-

Certified above vehicles are held on charge, that their condition is as stated and that AB 412 and AB 406 inspected and found correcto.

Signed.....

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FNO - FOTSA

Domestic Transport : State as at 1st June 1946

D. No. (c)	Contract No. (d)	Chassis No. (e)	Efficient (f)	Local Repair (g)	Beyond Local Repair (h)	Remarks (i)
4833452	T/2225/M/Mech/ 2548	91015616	Yes.	-	-	(Vehicle complete o/h and new engine fitted B.W/S 4June'46.)
5271094	S/2606	W/87894 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-	
1441065	NK	W/10643 " "	Yes.	-	-	
1441720	NK	W/37521 " "	No.	Yes.	-	
1441030	NK	W/31616 " "	Yes.	-	-	
1443383	NK	W/71597 " "	No.	Yes	-	
1441669	NK	W/55698 " "	Yes.	-	-	
5269451	S/2602	W/86251 " "	Yes.	-	-	
402237	7353	2692 " "	Yes.	-	-	
5270377	NK	W/87694 " "	Yes.	-	-	

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etc.

Signed ..... Maj
Date ..... 6 June 46

Append... "B" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 6 June'46

Subject : Monthly Report on 7 C.A.R. as at 31 May'46.

1. **Personnel.**

(a) Recruits. Strength : 2614. Small numbers of recruits continued to arrive this month.

(b) Permanent Staff. 3 Subalterns and 66 Senior and Junior NCO's are required to complete W.E. of Instructors. (7 BLU letter BLU/35F dated 3 June refers)
Recommendations for increase of W.E. of 7 C.A.R. have been forwarded under BLU/35F dated 4 June'46.

2. **Training.**

Continues to be hindered by lack of instructors. Ministry of War Training Programme is being strictly adhered to, but delay is caused by the very numerous "Festas".
7 C.A.R. is paying great attention to rifle and LMG firing, much thought and preparation has been given to ensure even running and economy of time in firing practices.
Recruits have completed three grouping and two classification practices.
No firing has been carried out with 2" Mortar owing to the lack of Mortar sights.
Recruits are carrying out considerably more marching drill than laid down in the programme owing to disturbances involved in reaching ranges.

3. **Clothing.**

No outstanding problems.

4. **Medical.**

No recurrence of measles epidemic reported in last month report.
Average daily sick 2%.

5. **Welfare.**

Furniture is being made by Artillery Directorate, 7 T.C., for canteens at 7 C.A.R., and will be paid for out of the recent grant of 600,000 lire (six hundred thousand).

6. **Accommodation.**

Barrack rooms are still overcrowded. The question of transferring one Bn to ROVEZZANO Barracks, FLORENCE, will be discussed with 7 T.C. when the election period is over. (MMA letter Trg/41/1 dated 29 May refers)

7. **[illegible]**

Training ceased on 28 May, and recruits moved [illegible] Public Security

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7. **Moves.** Training ceased on 28 May, and recruits moved into position and assumed Public Security duties in locations as shown in our Secret Signal MU/28 dated 1 June'45.

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MJB/20 dated 6 June 1946

ORDNANCE WARRANT OFFICER'S MID/BEGINNING OF MONTH REPORT, AS AT 1 JUNE 1946

1. 7 Bulk Barrack Stores Depot.

Inspection carried out of the Mag. Casermaggio at VIA PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA, recently vacated by the British R.Es., and now held by 7 Terr. Command.

I had hoped to house the Bulk Barrack Depot at this location in preference to the four rooms already earmarked for them at IPPOLITO NIEVO - RIPRENDI. The RIPRENDI location is, in my opinion, unsuitable for housing the Bulk Barrack Stores Depot in so much as it consists of only four very large rooms. It will be necessary to partition off these rooms into Sections to ensure adquate security to attractive items and the satisfactory segregation of other items, as necessary in this type of Stores Depot. In addition to this there are two further objections. All issues and receipts of stores will entail the extreme difficulty of man-handling the stores up and down the flight of stone stairs which connects the four rooms allotted, one above the other. The only alternative to this is by means of hauling up or lowering by means of ropes. Both systems are decidedly unsatisfactory considering the type of stores and the danger involved.

The Mag. Casermaggio at VIA PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA on the other hand has in point of fact been used as a Bulk Barrack Stores Depot in the past and has the great advantage of having all it's rooms on the ground floor with each room already allocated for it's purpose and still bearing the original sign boards indicating for what purpose each room was used.

My recommendations on this to H.Q. 7 Territorial Command could not unfortunately be entertained owing to the fact that the Commissariato are interested in keeping their units in one centralised location. I have added greater weight to my recommendations and urged them to reconsider the whole position. Territorial Command's final ruling is now awaited.

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2. 7 Repair Factory.

Hastening of supply of Machinery required.

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(Cont'd) 7 Repair Factory.

Items concerned as detailed in my previous Report Month ending April '46 para.1.

3. 7 Clothing and Equipment Stores

Still in process of being transferred from PORTAZZA DA BASSO to RIMINI. Occasional minor transport difficulties being experienced but progressing favourably.

4. Fire Fighting Equipment.

Further to my Report Month Ending March'46. para.5.(b). The following Consolidated list shows the extreme shortage within this Command of the Fire Fighting Equipment. This list is complete with the exception of the :-

H.Q. Artillery
H.Q. 7 Inf. Regt.

5. FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT
7 Territorial Command

	HELD	STILL REQD.	UNDER REPAIR
Extinguishers Foam.	209	248	248
" " Mobile 150 Lit.	1	76	7
" Acid ARDITA	20	-	-
" " NUTI	4	-	-
" Refills	15	96	-
" Bomb Type	6	67	-
" Smoke +Acid	-	5	-
Buckets Fire	80	814	-
Axes Picke	480	1324	-
Shovels	534	593	-
Hoses Fire	11	-	-
Containers Sand	4	-	-
Sand Bags	39	1800	-

6. Visits. Visits. Visit from A.D.O.S., H.Q., M.M.I.A., Lt.Col. A.J.HEAD R.A.O.C. on 15th and 16th May 1946.

S/Cdr.
Ordnance Warrant Officer.

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S/Cdr.
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31st May 1946.

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Appendix "L" to 7 B.L.U. letter BLU/20
dated 6 June 1946

PARADE AND CEREMONY BY "GARIBALDI" REGT (FOLGORE Inf.Div.)

in FLORENCE 19 May 1946

On 19 May 1946 the presentation of Medals for Valour, to soldiers of the ex-partisan Division "GARIBALDI" for operations of that division in the BALKANS from Sept. 43 to Mar 45, will take place in FLORENCE.

The losses of the division were estimated to be about 18.000 men, including dead, wounded, and missing.

Local Military, civilian, political and ecclesiastical bodies and the "GARIBALDI" Veteran Association will partake in the ceremony.

The ceremony will take place in PIAZZA DELLA SIGNORIA at 1000 hrs.

About 50 Medals for Valour will be presented including some Gold Medals. Col. Clayton P. KERR., U.S. ARMY, Deputy Commander M.M.I.A., will present American decorations to Lt. Col. IZZO and Sergt. TURRINI EGIDIO of the "TEMBO" Regt.

These decorations were earned during the proud action of the "FOLGORE" Division at the battle of GRIZZANO (near BOLOGNA) on 19 Apr.45.

After the ceremony the "GARIBALDI" Regt. and the "GARIBALDI" Veterans Association will parade through the town. They will lay a laurel wreath at GARIBALDI's Monument in LUNGARNO A. VESPUCCI.

The proceedings will be concluded by the "GARIBALDI" Regt. and GARIBALDINI Veterans Association being transported by lorries along PRINCIPESSA MARGHERITA Avenue.

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(Translation of article that appeared in "IL NUOVO CORRIERE" dated 20 May 1946)

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS TO FAMILIES
of Fallen, and to War Veterans of "GARIBALDI" (FLORENCE, 19 May 1946)

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Col. KERR, Deputy Commander of M.M.I.A., Col. MARKES, Major GREGSON, Major VAN KIRK, were present, with Gen. PIALORSI (O.C. "FOLGORE" Div.), Col. BOTTACCI of CC.RR. and many civilian authorities.

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Col. RAVNICH opened the ceremony, greeting all the authorities present and thanking them for attending the ceremony. He reminded on this day it was intended to honour not only the fallen and brave Veterans of the glorious partisan Div. in the BALKANS, only a quarter of whom had returned, but also, in their name, commemorate all who had risked and sacrified their lives for ITALY's freedom.

Soon after the speech, the awards were presented; a Gold Medal to the Colours of the "AOSTA" Group and 5 other (posthumous) Gold Medals in memory of Maj. CESARE PIVA, Lt. FRANCO BONETTI, Capt. MARIO PIVA, Lt. LUIGI RIZZO and Lt. PASQUALE VILLI.

84 Silver Medals and several other awards were then given; the balance of 1750 awards were to be presented later, within the Regiment.

Gen. DE SIMONE then gave the citation for which Col. RAVNICH was promoted to higher rank, and Col. KERR presented Lt. Col. IZZO GIUSEPPE of the "TEMBO" Regt. with a Distinguished Service Cross, one of the highest American awards, and to W.O. EGIDIO TURRINI, also of the "TEMBO", a Bronze Star Medal.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY COMMANDING GENERAL 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND WHICH APPEARED AFTER THE FORGOING ARTICLE IN THE SAME PAPER OF THE SAME DATE.

General DE SIMONE, Commanding 7 Territorial Command, states:-

"I have to deplore the fact that a representative of the Gold Medallist who came from ROME to congratulate the recipients of the Medals, used some untimely expressions during the ceremony at PIAZZA DELLA SIGNORIA, during the presentation of awards to Veterans of "GARIBALDI" Div. I also blame other speakers who expressed political opinions whilst Troops were present".

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TRANSLATION OF A PAMPHLET FOUND IN THE STREETS OF FLORENCE

ON 23 MAY 1946

In recent days, false information has been spread, especially among Officers and NCO's, with the intention of sowing panic regarding what would happen on June 3rd next, when the Italian people will have pronounced its condemnation of the Monarchy.

Don't worry.

The parties against the Monarchy, who will take over the Government of the Country, will have need of the Armed Forces, and certainly they will not trouble anyone who can show that they have not been traitors. A selection, certainly, will be made especially amongst higher ranks, but this selection will above all take most account of services and fidelity rendered to the people, of whom the Army and the Corps of Police will have to be the firm supporters.

It depends on how these Forces will be have themselves in these last days as to what judgment will be meted out to them.

The parties of the left are agreed in their intention to give the Armed Forces a new and more modern set-up in which officers, NCO's and men may have the moral and material treatment which will liberate them from the political and economic sub-fection which until now has degraded them.

Therefore, do not be alarmed, and give no ear to tendentious rumours or to biassed propaganda.

We love our Country as all do, but we do not speculate on this sentiment for electoral aims.

THIS IS THE TRUTH.

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT.
FLORENCE.

REF: BLU/20

6 June 1946

Subject : Reports and Return - End/Beginning Month Report.

To : M.M.I.A.

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Subject ; 7 B.L.U., End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 June 1946.

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9 May 1,4, and 5 Btys and POLGORE Arty Regt HQ at LUCCA, accompanied by DAA & QMG and S.C.,REME. Also visited the District Commander who showed excellent arrangements for reception of new call-ups.

14 May CC.RR. Units, and troops at BELVEDERE Fort, FLORENCE. Accompanied by GSO.II., and CC.RR. LO.

16 May "NEMBO" Regt. at MONTEVARCHI, and large concentration camp at LATERINA. Accompanied by GSO.II.

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21 May — Service Units under 7 Territorial Command in FLORENCE. (GSO.II., and DAA & QMG only)

23 May — Artillery Groups, FOLGORE Division at PISTOIA. Accompanied by GSO..II., also visited District HQ., and spoke to District Commander.

28 May — 7 Ind.Regt.FLORENCE, accompanied by GSO.II.

Owing to the advent of the Election period and the move to new locations of FOLGORE Division and of certain other units of 7 T.C., the remainder of the above programme of twice - weekly visits have been temporarily suspended, but will be resumed shortly.

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Photographs of the parade have been sent to Col KERR by GSO.I. (see 7 BLU DO/1 letter dated 31 May)

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On the previous evening Col KERR assisted at a prize-giving at the Casa Del Soldato, at which awards were given to winners of events covering a full week of sports; fencing, patrol competitions etc.

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Mainly employed on guard duties but some individual training is being carried out; marching, arms drill, range firing of rifle and LMG, throwing hand grenades.

Embussing drill is being practised together with traing in security duties i.e. maintenance of road blocks and security cordons etc.
P.T. and recreational training.
NCO's cadres are in progress.

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(ii) FOLGORE Div.

Platoon and Company training. Courses are being run on R/T, M.T., NCO's and Officers cadres are in progress.
Reinforcements continue range practise and Section training.

(d) Intelligence.

(i) During the last two weeks in May, there was an increase in political propaganda amongst troops, mainly spread by pamphlets and hand-bills.
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7 Ind.Inf.Regt. 25% below W.E.

M.T. Repair Directorate. 9% below W.E.

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Medical Directorate.	25% below W.E.
Artillery Directorate.	30% below W.E.
Engineers Directorate.	19% below W.E.
FOLGORE Division.	+

+ (FOLGORE figures not yet available but will be forwarded when received)

(ii) Deficiencies in Specialists.

	7 Territorial Cmd.	FOLGORE Div.
M.T.Drivers.	10% below W.E.	+
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R/T Operators.	10% below W.E.	+

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Is gradually improving and is generally satisfactory. It will be further improved with the release of old classes. The effect on discipline of the Election and Referdum results remains to be seen, and will be watched closely.

(iv) Pay.

As ever, Pay is considered by all ranks to be insufficient.

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Is being improved with better transport arrangements.

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Is influenced by the uncertain situation of the Country, but is not giving rise to concern.

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4. "G"

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(i) Transport. See App"E" attached.

(ii) Accommodation.

The plan for the occupation of VILLA PRIMAVERA as laid down in the last month report has been put into effect, and is working well.

(b) Italian.

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The repair of the railway from FLORENCE to SIENA and to AREZZO has helped out the transport problem. No outstanding difficulties with small vehicles (apart from constant lack of tyres) has been experienced. Percentage of inefficient vehicles; 10%.

On 31 May, the collection began of 200 Jeeps from P.B.S. LEGHORN.
These are being checked over by 7 M.T.Repair Unit, and a report on their condition will follow.

(ii) Ammunition.

Shortage of 1st and 2nd line and training ammo' in FOLGORE Div, is being investigated and a full report will be submitted as soon as possible. Indents on BITONTO Allied Depot have been temporarily suspended. It is reported that higher authority have authorised the transfer of some ammunition to the FOLGORE Div, from FRIULI and LEGNANO Div.

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(iv)aAccommodation.

7 Ind.Inf.Regt., completed its move to Caserma Funzionale di SCANDICCI.

(v) Tyres.

Serious shortage, particularly in light passenger vehicles.

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(vi) P.O.L.

A strike at C.I.P. during May, caused temporary shortage. Petrol can now be drawn normally and reserve stocks used during the strike have been replenished.

(vii) Medical.

(a) Anti-Malarial precautions are being carried out in malarious zones and suspected places. A regular issue of quinine and anti-malarial pills is being made.

(b) Smallpox and anti-typhus infection are being carried out regularly.

(c) 8 Rail Trucks of captured Medical Stores, arrived at the Institute during the month of May; 7 ex MEF and 1 ex CMF, 2 Rail Trucks of Condoms received from M.E. were found to be date-expired and perished and not suitable for handing over to the Italians at the usual charge.

161 Rail Trucks of Medical Stores and equipment arrived from MERANO during May.

(d) ENDIMSA continue to occupy 5 buildings belonging to the ISTITUTO CHIMICO-FARMACEUTICO MILITARE which are urgently required by the Italian Military Authorities for storage of Medicines and Machinery coming from MERANO and Allied sources. (see also previous reports)

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ORDNANCE WARRANT OFFICER'S END/BEGINNING OF MONTH
REPORT, AS AT 1 JUNE 1946

1. 7 Bulk Barrack Stores Depot.

Inspection carried out of the Mag. Casermaggio at VIA PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA, recently vacated by the British R.Es., and now held by 7 Terr. Command.

I had hoped to house the Bulk Barrack Depot at this location in preference to the four rooms already earmarked for them at IPPOLITO NIEVO - RIFREDI. The RIFREDI location is, in my opinion, unsuitable for housing the Bulk Barrack Stores Depot in so much as it consists of only four very large rooms. It will be necessary to partition off these rooms into Sections to ensure adquate security to attractive items and the satisfactory segregation of other items, as necessary in this type of Stores Depot. In addition to this there are two further objections. All issues and receipts of stores will entail the extreme difficulty of man-handling the stores up and down the flight of stone stairs which connects the four rooms allotted, one above the other. The only alternative to this is by means of hauling up or lowering by means of ropes. Both systems are decidedly unsatisfactory considering the type of stores and the danger involved.

The Mag. Casermaggio at VIA PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA on the other hand has in point of fact been used as a Bulk Barrack Stores Depot in the past and has the great advantage of having all it's rooms on the ground floor with each room already allocated for it's purpose and still bearing the original sign boards indicating for what purpose each room was used.

My recommendations on this to H.Q. 7 Territorial Command could not unfortunately be entertained owing to the fact that the Commissariato are interested in keeping their units in one centralised location. I have added greater weight to my recommendations and urged them to reconsider the whole position. Territorial Command's final ruling is now awaited.

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2. 7 Repair Factory.

Hastening of supply of Machinery required.

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(Cont'd) 7 Repair Factory.

Items concerned as detailed in my previous Report Month ending April '46 para.1.

3. 7 Clothing and Equipment Stores

Still in process of being transferred from FORTEZZA DA BASSO to RIPREDI. Occasional minor transport difficulties being experienced but progressing favourably.

4. Fire Fighting Equipment.

Further to my Report Month Ending March'46. para.5.(b). The following Consolidated list showe the extreme shortage within this Command of the Fire Fighting Equipment. This list is complete with the exception of the :-

H.Q. Artillery
H.Q. 7 Inf. Regt.

5.

FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT
7 Territorial Command

	HELD	STILL REQD.	UNDER REPAIR
Extinguishers Foam.	209	848	248
" " Mobile 150 Lit.	1	76	7
" Acid ARDITA	20	-	-
" " NUTI	4	-	-
" Refills	15	96	-
" Bomb Type	6	67	-
" Smoke +Acid	-	5	-
Buckets Fire	80	814	-
Axes Picks	480	1324	-
Shovels	534	593	-
Hoses Fire	11	-	-
Containers Send	4	-	-
Sand Bags	39	1800	-

6. Visits. Visit from A.D.O.S., H.Q., M.M.I.A., Lt.Col. A.J.HEAD R.A.O.C. on 15th and 16th May 1946.

S/Cdr.
Ordnance Warrant Officer.

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31st May 1946.

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~~C.O. W.O.'s~~ ~~CLERICAL WARRANT OFFICERS~~ ~~[redacted]~~ END~~[redacted]~~/BEGINNING ~~[redacted]~~ 1 Month REPORT - 30 JUNE 1946

1. 7 BULK BARRACK STORES DEPOT

7 Territorial Command have now ruled that the 7 Bulk Barrack Stores Depot will be allocated four rooms at the originally proposed site at RIFREDI (Ippolito NIEVO)

The objections that I made to this site have been mutually overcome. The four large rooms are now to be divided into sections and the difficulty in transporting the stores up to the top Floor has been overcome by repairing existing Elevators.

2. 7 CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT DEPOT

The Detachment of 7 Repair Factory has been transferred from FORTEZZA da BASSO to the new location at RIFREDI. The Clothing and Equipment is still being transferred but it is anticipated that this will be complete by 20 July 1946

3. 7 REPAIR FACTORY

Hastening of Supply of machinery required.

Items concerned are as detailed in my previous Report for month ending April 46.

The transfer of this unit to IPPOLITO NIEVO, RIFREDI is expected to commence on or about, 21 July 1946 i.e. upon completion of transfering 7 Clothing & Equipment Depot (see para 2) In the interim this Factory is employed in the manufacture of Summer Clothing which is urgently required in the Command.

Thus the transferring is likely to be slightly delayed in order that the manufacturing may not be interrupted.

4. "FOLGORE" Ordnance Field Park

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(c) The whole position is being investigated.

5. VEHICLES - War Establishment

During period 1st June to 24 June 46 100. Jeeps were collected from 4 L/93 Depot , LEGHORN. Particulars of each vehicle are recorded in this Office.

30 AC. June '46.

A. E. Watkins Lieut. S/Ch.
D.W.O. 7. B. [illegible], C.M.F.

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LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS IN 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND DOWN TO BNS OR EQUIVALENT

UNITS	LOCATION		CATEGORIES
	Up to 28 May' 1946	After 28 May 1946	
HQ. 7 Inf. Regt.	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
1st Bn (ex 509 Bn)	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
2nd Bn. (ex 511 Bn)	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
3rd Bn. (ex 512 Bn)	Pisa	Pisa	ITI-ITI
HQ. 7 C.A.R.	Siena	Siena	ITI-ITI
1st Bn.	Siena	Lucca	ITI-ITI
2nd Bn.	Siena	Arezzo	ITI-ITI
3rd Bn.	Siena	Siena	ITI-ITI
"FOLGORE" Inf.Div.HQ	Florence	S.Marcello Pistoiese	ITI-ITI
"NEMBO" Inf.Regt. HQ	Arezzo	Piastre-Prunetta	ITI-ITI
1st Inf.Bn.	Montevarchi	Piastre-Prunetta	ITI-ITI
2nd Inf.Bn.	Arezzo	Piastre-Prunetta	ITI-ITI
3rd Inf.Bn.	Cortona	Passo dell'Abetone	ITI-ITI
"GARIBALDI" Inf.Regt.HQ	Coverciano	Porretta Terme-Ponte alla Venturina	ITI-ITI
1st Inf.Bn.	Coverciano	Porretta Terme-Ponte alla Venturina	ITI-ITI
2nd Inf.Bn.	Coverciano	Porretta-Terme-Ponte alla Venturina	ITI-ITI
3rd Inf.Bn.	Coverciano	Porretta Terme-Ponte alla Venturina	ITI-ITI
184 Art.Regt.HQ	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 1 25-Pr Bty	Pistoia	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 2 25-Pr Bty	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 3 25-Pr Bty	Pistoia	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 4 25-Pr Bty	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 5 17-Pr Bty	Lucca	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
No. 6 40-m/m A.A. Bty	Pistoia	Gavinana	ITI-ITI
184 Engr.Bn.HQ "FOLGORE"	Florence	Pontepetri	ITI-ITI
Central School CC.RR.	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
HQ 3rd B.de	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
HQ. Mob. Bns Group	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
Florence Legion	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
Ext.Group	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
Int. Group	Florence	Florence	ITI-ITI
"Pistoia" Group	Pistoia	Pistoia	ITI-ITI
"Arezzo" Group	Arezzo	Arezzo	ITI-ITI
"Siena" Group	Siena	Siena	ITI-ITI
Leghorn Legion	Leghorn	Leghorn	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Leghorn	Leghorn	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Grosseto	Grosseto	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Massa	Massa	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Lucca	Lucca	ITI-ITI

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CC.RR. Group	Massa	Massa	ITI-ITI
CC.RR. Group	Lucca	Lucca	ITI-ITI

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LOCATION STATEMENT 7 B.I.U.

Office — No.1 Piazza della Stazione-FLORENCE

Lt.Col. MARCHS	Room 458 - Excelsior Hotel.Tel.Florence 1143
Major GRESSON	Room 456 - " " " " "
Major HAMILTON	Room 346 - " " " " "
Major GREENHOUGH	Room 446 - " " " " "
Capt. MORROW	Room 452 - " " " " "
Capt. STEPHENS	Room 470 - " " " " "
Capt. NELSON	POLOGNA

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British O.R's in Annexe ti VILLA PRIMAVERA - Tel. FLORENCE 1356.

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Capt. Tatham Room No 538.

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Appendix "B" to 7 B.I.U. letter BIU/20
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STAFF LIST 7 B.I.U. as at 1.6.1946

General Staff.

GSO. I.	Lieut. Col. C.C. MARKES	L.Fus.
GSO. II.	Major H.W. HAMILTON	Buffs.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General.

DAA & QMG	Major D.S.L. GIBSON	5 Irms.D.G.

Services.

S & T	Capt. G.A. MORROW	RASC
RE	Capt. P.H. NELSON	RE

Attached.

CC.RR. Liaison Officer	Major W. GREENHOUGH	G.L.
Medical I.O.	Capt. H.A. STEPHENS. MBE	RAMC

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Appendix "G" to A.B.I.U. letter MM/2 dated 6 June 1946

Amendments to the list of COLONELS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Col.	Art.	FORMICHI REMY DE TURIQUE	EMILIO	At disposal
Col.	Art.	ORNARO	ENRICO	At disposal
Col.	Art.	MANFREDI	GIACOMO	At disposal
Col.	CC.RR.	PORCIANI	FRANCESCO	C.O. Mob.Bns. Florence
Decreases.				
Col.	Art.	PACINOTTI	GIOVANNI	Transferred to Terr.Comd.ROME
Col.	Art.	DI PIETRA	RAIMONDO	Transferred on reserve
Col.	Inf.	QUIRICO	IGINO	Transferred to Terr.Comd.TORINO
Amendments.				
Col.	Inf.	BARBERO	PIETRO	At disposal
Col.	Art.	MALAGAMBA	GIULIO	C.O. 7 Art.Regt.(Field) Depot
Col.	Inf.	SONETTI	AGOSTINO	Before at disposal - C.O. 84 Inf.Regt. Depot.

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Appendix "B" to 7 B.L.O. letter BLU/20 dated June 1946

Amendments to the list of LT.COLS. on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	TONARELLI ERMINIO		Military District of MASSA
Lt.Col.	Inf.	CUTRERA	EMANUELE	84 Inf.Regt. Depot
Lt.Col.	Art.	BACCIANI	VINCENZO	7 Field Art.Regt. Depot
Lt.Col.	Inf.	DELLA CAVA	FRANCESCO	Military District SIENA
Decreases.				
Lt.Col.	Engrs.	PERDISA	FERDINANDO	Discharged
Lt.Col.	Inf.	ZAPPELLI	GINO	Transferred to Mil.District ROME
Lt.Col.	Inf.	CAPONE	MICHELE	Sent on sick leave
Amendments.				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	SCUTO	CARMELO	From H.Q. to Mil. District PISA
Lt.Col.	Art.	FERRIGNO	RAFFAELE	From 7 Field Arty Regt.- At disposal
Lt.Col.	Med.	DI CASOLA	GIUSEPPE	From Florence Hospital to Florence District.
Lt.Col.	CC.RR.	DONI	ANDREA	From C.O. Mob.Bns. Florence to disposal Florence Legion.
Lt.Col.	CC.RR.	GNUDI	GIUSEPPE	From CC.RR. Legion Florence, - at disposal 7 Terr.Cond. Florence.

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Appendix "C" to 7 R.L.U. letter ELU/20 dtd 6 June 1946

Amendments to the list of GENERALS on duty with 7 Territorial Command.

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases				
Decreases.		No Change.		
Amendments				

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Appendix "D"
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7 B.L.U. Domestic Transport: Data as at 1st June 1946

SERIAL No. (a)	VEH TYPE (b)	W.D. No. (c)	CONTRACT No. (d)	CHASSIS No. (e)	EQUIPMENT (f)	LOCAL REPAIR (g)	REMARKS LOCAL REPAIR (h)
1.	ALFA - ROMEO.(4 Str.)	CMP/M 5938210	NK	913009	Yes.	-	-
2.	CHEVROLET. H.U.P.	M.5905872	NK	4844520202	Yes.	-	-
3.	CHEVROLET. H.U.P.	M.5905880	NK	4844520011	Yes.	-	-
4.	CHEVROLET. H.U.P.	Z.5906050	NK	4844520522	Yes.	-	-
5.	WILLYS JEEP.	M.5661815	2275	354379	Yes.	-	-
6.	FORD 15 CWT.	E.5428450	NK	NK	No.	Yes.	-
7.	FIAT 1100 X	CC.RR.7039	NK	278321 X	Yes.	-	-
8.	B.S.A. 500 cc.	4562185	WM.20	9337 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-
9.	B.S.A. 500 cc.	5123826	WM.1048	90426 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-

Certified above vehicles are held on charge, that their conditions is as stated and that AB 412 and AB 406 inspected and found correct.

Signed.....

Date.....

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PRO-FORMA

Domestic Transport: State as at 1st June 1946

No. (c)	CONTRACT No. (d)	CHASSIS No. (e)	EFFICIENT (f)	LOCAL REPAIR (g)	BEYOND LOCAL REPAIR (h)	REMARKS (j)
MP/M 5938210	NK	913009	Yes.	-	-	
5905872	NK	4844520202	Yes.	-	-	
5905880	NK	4844520011	Yes.	-	-	
5906050	NK	4844520522	Yes.	-	-	Attached with RAMC personnel.
5661815	2275	354379	Yes.	-	-	
5428450	NK	NK	No.	Yes.	-	Awaiting new engine.
C.RR.7039	NK	278321 X	Yes.	-	-	Attached with CC.RR. IO.
562185	WM.20	9337 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-	
123826	WM.1048	90426 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-	

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reed.

Signed. H.W. Hamilton Major

Date. 6 June 46

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Appendix
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FMD - FORM

REME Increment to 7 B.L.U. Domestic Transport : State as at 1st June 1946

W.E. ref:CM/640/1

Serial No. (a)	Veh Type (b)	W.D. No. (c)	Contract No. (d)	Chassis No. (e)	Efficient (f)	Local Repair (g)	Beyond Local Repair (h)
1.	Dodge 15 CWT.4x2 GS.	4833452	T/2225/H/Mech/ 2548	91015616	Yes.	-	-
2.	Norton 500cc M/C	C.5271094	S/2606	W/87894 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-
3.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441065	NK	W/10643 " "	Yes.	-	-
4.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441720	NK	W/37521 " "	No.	Yes.	-
5.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441030	NK	W/31616 " "	Yes.	-	-
6.	" 500cc M/C	C.1443383	NK	W/71597 " "	No.	Yes	-
7.	" 500cc M/C	C.1441669	NK	W/55698 " "	Yes.	-	-
8.	" 500cc M/C	C.5269451	S/2602	W/86251 " "	Yes.	-	-
9.	" 500cc M/C	C.1402237	7353	2692 " "	Yes.	-	-
10.	" 500cc M/C	C.5270377	NK	W/87694 " "	Yes.	-	-

Certified above vehicles are held on charge, that their condition is as stated and that AB 412 and AB 406 inspected and found correct.

Signed.....

Date.....6 June 46.....

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PRO - FORMA

Domestic Transport : State as at 1st June 1946

W.D. No. (c)	Contract No. (d)	Chassis No. (e)	Efficient (f)	Local Repair (g)	Beyond Local Repair (h)	Remarks (i)
S. 4833452	T/2225/1/Mech/ 2548	91015616	Yes.	-	-	(Vehicle complete o/h and new engine fitted B.W/S 4June'46.)
C.5271094	S/2606	W/87894 (frame No)	Yes.	-	-	
C.1441065	NK	W/10643 " "	Yes. No	- Yes	-	
C.1441720	NK	W/37521 " "	No.	Yes.	-	
C.1441030	NK	W/31616 " "	Yes.	-	-	
C.1443383	NK	W/71597 " "	No.	Yes	-	
C.1441669	NK	W/55698 " "	Yes.	-	-	
C.5269451	S/2602	W/86251 " "	Yes.	-	-	
C.4402237	7353	2692 " "	Yes.	-	-	
C.5270377	NK	W/87694 " "	Yes.	-	-	

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Signed..... Hec Hamilton Maj.....

Date..... 6 June 46.....

Appendix "E" to 7 BLU letter
BLU/20 dated 6 June'46

Subject ; Monthly Report on 7 C.A.R. as at 31 May'46.

1. **Personnel.**

(a) Recruits. Strength : 2614. Small numbers of recruits continued to arrive this month.

(b) Permanent Staff: 3 Subalterns and 66 Senior and Junior NCO's are required to complete W.E. of Instructors. Recommendations for increase of W.E. of 7 C.A.R. have been forwarded under BLU/35F dated 4 June'46. (7 BLU letter BLU/35F dated 3 June refers)

2. **Training.**

Continues to be hindered by lack of instructors. Ministry of War Training Programme is being strictly adhered to, but delay is caused by the very numerous "Festas". 7 C.A.R. is paying great attention to rifle and LMG firing, much thought and preparation has been given to ensure even running and economy of time in firing practices. Recruits have completed three grouping and two classification practices. No firing has been carried out with 2" Mortar owing to the lack of Mortar sights. Recruits are carrying out considerably more marching drill than laid down in the programme owing to disturbances involved in reaching ranges.

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No outstanding problems.

4. **Medical.**

No recurrence of measles epidemic reported in last month report. Average daily sick 2%.

5. **Welfare.**

Furniture is being made by Artillery Directorate, 7 T.C., for canteens at 7 C.A.R., and will be paid for out of the recent grant of 600,000 lire (six hundred thousand).

6. **Accommodation.**

Barrack rooms are still overcrowded. The question of transferring one Bn to ROVEZZANO Barracks, FLORENCE, will be discussed with 7 T.C. when the election period is over. (SMIA letter Trg/4.1/1 dated 29 May refers)

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Appendix "L" to 7 B.L.U. letter BLU/20
dated 6 June 1946

PARADE AND CEREMONY BY "GARIBALDI" REGT (FOLGORE Inf.Div.)

in FLORENCE 19 May 1946

On 19 May 1946 the presentation of Medals for Valour, to soldiers of the ex-partisan Division "GARIBALDI" for operations of that division in the BALKANS from Sept. 43 to Mar 45, will take place in FLORENCE.

The losses of the division were estimated to be about 18.000 men, including dead, wounded, and missing.

Local Military, civilian, political and ecclesiastical bodies and the "GARIBALDI" Veteran Association will partake in the ceremony.

The ceremony will take place in PIAZZA DELLA SIGNORIA at 1000 hrs.

About 50 Medals for Valour will be presented including some Gold Medals. Col. Clayton P. KERR., U.S. ARMY, Deputy Commander M.M.I.A., will present American decorations to Lt. Col. IZZO and Segt. TURRINI EGIDIO of the "NEMBO" Regt.

These decorations were earned during the proud action of the "FOLGORE" Division at the battle of GRIZZANO (near BOLOGNA) on 19 Apr.45.

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Col. KERR, Deputy Commander of M.M.I.A., Col. MARKES, Major GREGSON, Major VAN KIRK, were present, with Gen. PIALORSI (O.C. "FOLGORE" Div.), Col. BOTTACCI of CC.RR. and many civilian authorities.

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Col. RAVNICH opened the ceremony, greeting all the authorities present and thanking them for attending the ceremony. He reminded on this day it was intended to honour not only the fallen and brave Veterans of the glorious partisan Div. in the BALKANS, only a quarter of whom had returned, but also, in their name, commemorate all who had risked and sacrified their lives for ITALY's freedom.

Soon after the speech, the awards were presented; a Gold Medal to the Colours of the "AOSTA" Group and 5 other (posthumous) Gold Medals in memory of Maj. CESARE PIVA, Lt. FRANCO BONETTI, Capt. MARIO PIVA, Lt. LUIGI RIZZO and Lt. PASQUALE VILLI.

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He presented the compliments of the "BLUE RIBBON" and of the Gold Medallists to the new heroes and to the memory of the Fallen. He stated that the resurrection of the Country would be really welcomed and appreciated, but at the end of his speech, he shouted :- "Viva Umberto II". The speaker was immediately reproached by Gen. DE SIMONE and by the Prefetto, who, with all present, showed their regret at an incident that caused a strong reaction amongst the GARIBALDINI. This reaction was put into words by partisan DEL FIUME.

The incident appeared to be finished and the ceremony ended with Military Marches.

However, whilst troops were moving to take part in the parade, some representatives of "GARIBALDI" Association and of the Army, went to GARIBALDI's Monument to place a laurel crown on it. Here, a small group of the Monarchist Party, who followed the representatives carrying Monarchist flags, was reproached by several civilians. Some time later, the same group went to VIA PANZANI, where a further incident occurred, fortunately this was soon settled by the speedy arrival of civil and Military Police. During the incident, two Monarchist flags were burned and people were injured.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY COMMANDING GENERAL 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND WHICH APPEARED AFTER THE FORGOING ARTICLE IN THE SAME PAPER OF THE SAME DATE.

General DE SIMONE, Commanding 7 Territorial Command, states:-

"I have to deplore the fact that a representative of the Gold Medallist who came from ROME to congratulate the recipients of the Medals, used some untimely expressions during the ceremony at PIAZZA DELLA SIGNORIA, during the presentation of awards to Veterans of "GARIBALDI" Div. I also blame other speakers who expressed political opinions whilst Troops were present".

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Appendix "E" to 7 B.L.U. letter
BLU/20 dated 6 June'46

TRANSLATION OF A PAMPHLET FOUND IN THE STREETS OF FLORENCE

ON 23 MAY 1946

In recent days, false information has been spread, especially among Officers and NCO's, with the intention of sowing panic regarding what would happen on June 3rd next, when the Italian people will have pronounced its condemnation of the Monarchy.

Don't worry.

The parties against the Monarchy, who will take over the Government of the Country, will have need of the Armed Forces, and certainly they will not trouble anyone who can show that they have not been traitors. A selection, certainly, will be made especially amongst higher ranks, but this selection will above all take most account of services and fidelity rendered to the people, of whom the Army and the Corps of Police will have to be the firm supporters.

It depends on how these Forces will be have themselves in these last days as to what judgment will be meted out to them.

The parties of the left are agreed in their intention to give the Armed Forces a new and more modern set-up in which officers, NCO's and men may have the moral and material treatment which will liberate them from the political and economic sub-fection which until now has degraded them.

Therefore, do not be alarmed, and give no ear to tendentions rumours or to biassed propaganda.

We love our Country as all do, but we do not speculate on this sentiment for electoral aims.

THIS IS THE TRUTH.

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SUBJECT: ~~MID~~/BEGINNING OF MONTH REPORT AS AT 1st JUNE 1946

G. S. O. I.

TO : ~~H.Q. M.L.I.s. RCAF~~ (Attention CC.RR. Section)

FROM : 7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

Reference CC.RR./29

Florence 5 June '46

1. Strength

(a) Strength Return as at 15 May 1946, down to Legion level - Appx "A".

(b) Percentage on leave - 5.21 %
Percentage on extraneous duty
ANCONA Legion - 1.86 %
BOLOGNA Legion - 6.60 %
FLORENCE Legion - 9.82 %
LEGHORN Legion - 6.48 %

(c) Strength Return of Mobile Bns, as at 31 May 1946 - Appx "B"

(d) Percentage on leave:
FLORENCE Mobile Bn - 1.44 %
BOLOGNA Mobile Bn - 0.95 %

The Mobile Bns are now up to strength. Personnel have returned from detachment and at Florence the strength was made up by transferring carabinieri from the Legion HQ. Coy to re lace those on duty at Palermo. Latter are now on detachment from Legion HQ. Coy.

2. Organization

7 Territorial Command eventually agreed to release BALDISSERA Barracks Florence, entirely for use of CC.RR. thus improving the situation of the Mobile Bn. It has also been possible to accomodate the Special Coy CC.RR. and the Squadrone, Central School, Florence, in the same barracks. Both Mobile Bns are now well situated for accomodation.

Transport received by the Legions and Mobile Bns during the past month has been most satisfactory, and an important factor in assisting final preparations for the elections. The provision of efficient transport has such a great effect on the all-round improvement of the organization that it is hoped it will be possible to continue the present rate of distribution.

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Mobile Bn. Commanders are very satisfied with the Staghound Armoured Cars. Exercises have been held, and from all accounts, the public have been visibly impressed.

There is no material change in telephonic communications.

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3. Intelligence

Relations between the public and CC.RR. continue to be satisfactory.

The General Election has been the main topic of interest, but no untoward incidents have been reported and at present there are no indications of any threatened disorder on a large scale.

CC.RR. report a noticeable trend in support of the Monarchy, but add that opinion id divided as to whether or not disturbances will result in the event of a victory for the Monarchy.

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On 22 May at Agliana (Pistoia) unknown persons fired several shots against the Communist Paty office. No persons injured.

On 27 May at Galluzzo (Florence) a hand grenade was thrown against the Communist Party office. Some shots were also fired. No persons injured.

4. Training

No change in general situation. It is recommended that steps be taken towards reviving the monthly refresher courses formerly held at Legion HQ's.

A training course for heavy motor car drivers, and another for "Staghound" armoured car drivers, has been completed by Bologna Mobile Bn. Results satisfactory.

A training course for wireless operators for "Staghound" is being held by same Bn.

5. Administration

(a) Discipline

Good. No serious breach of discipline.

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As previously reported.

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No change in appointments of Senior Officers.

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8. Public Safety Situation

There is no material change in the general situation. Three murders were committed during the month. In two

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of these where the motive arose from family disputes the persons responsible were traced. In the third case the motive was robbery and investigations are proceeding. The main problem is the prevalence of armed robberies, but the CC.RR. are having better results with detections and this should ultimately have the desired effect. The following are some of the more serious crimes which have been committed and in which the authors have been traced by CC.RR.

1 May Porto S. Giorgio. Several thefts amounting to 600.000 lire. 9 persons arrested and 150.000 lire recovered.

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Due to the effort of Major W. H. WRITER, DA & QMG 6 B.L.U. a sufficient number of radio sets were obtained, on loan, to enable all Provinces in Bologna Legion to be in wireless communication with their Legion HQ. He also obtained a quantity of 37 M.M. ammunition for the armoured cars of the Bologna and Genoa Mobile Bns (20 rds each vehicle).

W. GREENHOUGH
Major
7 B.L.U.

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COMANDO 3ªBRIGATA CARABINIERI REALI
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SITUAZIONE DELLA FORZA DEI BATTAGLIONI MOBILI AL 31 MAGGIO 1946.-

Firenze, 3 giugno 1946.-

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Appx "3" to 7 B.L.U. letter
Ref.CC.RR./29, 5 June 1946

BATTAGLIONE MOBILE DI:	Forza organico (uff., sott.e truppa), compresa l'officina mobile.	Forza effettiva (uff., sott.e truppa).	Forza presente (ufficiali sott.e truppa)	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza presente, dei militari in licenza di qualunque specie inferiore ai 30 gg.	Militari di rinforzo altrove o comandati a corsi vari (uff., sott.e truppa). (1)	Militari rientrati nel mese da rinforzo altrove. (2)	NOTE
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La forza di cui a colonna 2 è quella prevista dai nuovi organici dei battaglioni mobili.-

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SITUAZIONE DELLA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI DIPENDENTI (Ancona, Bologna, Firenze, Livorno) ALLA DATA DEL 15 MAGGIO 1946.-

Firenze, 3 giugno 1946.-

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COMANDO 3ª BRIGATA CARABINIERI REALI · FIRENZE

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LEGIONE DI:	Forze organica (uff., sott.e truppe (esclusi batt. mobili)	Forze effettive (uff., sott.e truppe (esclusi batt. mobili).	Forze presente (uff., sott.e truppe (esclusi batt.mobili.-	Percentuale, rispetto alle forze presente, di militari in licenza di qualsiasi specie inferiore a trenta giorni	Numero dei militari impiegati in servizi non di istituto (uff., sott.e truppa)	Percentuale, rispetto alle forze organica, di militari impiegati in servizi non d'istituto.-	Note
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ANCONA (3)	2454	1623	1451 (2)	5,60%	45	1,86%	Le differenza (172) fra 3 e 4, dedotti i militari (75), è rappresentata da: -21 militari al campo in laterina; -20 militari al porto di -28 militari al corso al -17 militari a corsi var -11 militari in luoghi d 97
BOLOGNA	3785	3178	2955	4,06%	251	6,60%	Le differenza (223) fra 3 e 4, dedotti i militari (120), è rappresentata da -32 militari al corso al -23 militari aggregati a gioni; -58 militari ricoverati di cura. 103
FIRENZE (1)	2504	2316	1979	5,31%	246	9,82%	Le differenze (337) fra 3 e 4, dedotti i militari (123), è rappresentata: -50 militari al corso al -10 militari al porto di -32 militari in luoghi d - 1 militare aggregato (scrivono comando ge - 8 militari o corsi var 113 aggregati legione Pa 214
LIVORNO (3)	2590	1656	1503	5,85%	167	6,48%	Le differenze (133) fra 3 e 4, dedotti i militari (88), è rappresentata da - 5 militari al corso al -40 militari in luoghi 45
COMPAGNIE SPECIALI DA CONSIDERARSI OLTRE LA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI							
ANCONA	155	65	60	0,85%	-	-	Le differenze (5) fra le 4, dedotti i militari (1), è rappresentata da -4 militari in luoghi di
BOLOGNA	155	148	140	4,30%	-	-	Le differenze (8) fra le

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orza effettiva uff., sott.e truppe esclusi batt. obili).	Forza presente (uff.,sott.e truppe esclusi batt.mob.li.-	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza presente, di militari in licenza di qualsiasi specie inferiore a trenta giorni	Numero dei militari impiegati in servizi non di istituto (uff.,sott.e truppe)	Percentuale, rispetto alla forza organica, di militari impiegati in servizi non d'istituto.-	Note
1629	1451 (4)	5,60%	45	1,86%	La differenza (178) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (75), è rappresentata da: -21 militari al campo internati di Laterina; -20 militari al porto di Livorno; -25 militari al corso all.sottuff.; -17 militari a corsi vari a Cesano; -11 militari in luoghi di cura.- 97
3178	2955	4,06%	251	6,60%	La differenza (223) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (120), è rappresentata da: -22 militari al corso all.sottuff.; -23 militari aggregati ad altre legioni; -58 militari ricoverati in luoghi di cura. 103
3216	1929	5,31%	226	9,82%	La differenza (337) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (123), è rappresentata: -50 militari al corso all.sottuff.; -10 militari al porto di Livorno; -32 militari in luoghi di cura; - 1 militare aggregato legione Lazio (scrivano comando generale); - militari a corsi vari a Cesano; 113 aggregati legione Palermo.- 214
696	1503	5,85%	167	6,48%	La differenza (133) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (88), è rappresentata da: - 5 militari al corso all.sottuff.; -40 militari in luoghi di cura. 45
I DA CONSIDERARSI OLTRE LA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI					
65	60	0,85%	-	-	
68	140	4,20%	-	-	La differenza (5) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (1), è rappresentata da -4 militari in luoghi di cura.-

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FIRENZE (1)	2504	2316	1979	5,31%	246	9,83%	gioni; -58 militari ricoverat di cura. 103 (La differenza (237) fr 3 e 4,dedotti i milita (123),è rappresentata -50 militari al corso -10 militari al porto -32 militari in luoghi - 1 militare aggregato (scrivono comando - 8 militari a corsi v 113 aggregati legione 214
LIVORNO (2)	2590 ((3)	1636	1503	5,85%	167	6,48%	La differenza (133) fr 3 e 4,dedotti i milita (88),è rappresentata d - 5 militari al corso -40 militari in luoghi 45

COMPAGNIE SPECIALI DA CONSIDERARSI OLTRE LA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI

ANCONA	155	65	60	0,85%	-	-	La differenza (5) fra le 4,dedotti i militari (1),è rappresentata da
BOLOGNA	155	148	140	4,20%	-	-	-4 militari in luoghi La differenza (8) fra le 4,dedotti i militari (5),è rappresentata da
FIRENZE	155	106	102	3,77%	-	-	-3 militari in luoghi La differenza (4) fra le 4,è rappresentata da licenze.-
LIVORNO	155	131	121	7,63%	-	-	La differenza (10) fra 3 e 4,dedotti i militar (9),è rappresentata da -1 militare in luogo d
totale	620	450	423	-	-	-	

(1) Nella forza della legione di Firenze sono compresi i militari del comando 3ª Brigata e qu mondo raggruppamento battaglioni mobili.-

(2) Nella forza presente della legione di Ancona sono compresi solo 107 militari del battaglio "Roma Lazio".-Non sono invece compresi i 365 militari dello stesso battaglione giunti il gio u.s. per il periodo elettorale.-

(3) Nella forza organica delle legioni di Ancona e Livorno è compreso il contingente di 365 uo legione di Trieste.-

La forza organica delle Legioni è quella prevista sulla base di 75.000 uomini per tutte

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2316	1979	5,31%	246	9,83%	gioni; -56 militari ricoverati in luoghi di cura. 103 La differenza (337) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (123), è rappresentata: -30 militari al corso all.sottuff.; -10 militari al porto di Livorno; -32 militari in luoghi di cura; - 1 militare aggregato legione Lazio (scrivano comando generale); - 6 militari a corsi vari a Cesano; -114 aggregati legione Palermo.- 214
1636	1503	5,65%	167	6,48%	La differenza (133) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (88), è rappresentata da: - 5 militari al corso all.sottuff.; -40 militari in luoghi di cura. 45

TALI DA CONSIDERARSI OLTRE LA FORZA DELLE LEGIONI

65	60	0,85%	-	-	La differenza (5) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (1), è rappresentata da -4 militari in luoghi di cura.-
148	140	4,80%	-	-	La differenza (8) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (5), è rappresentata da: -3 militari in luoghi di cura.-
106	102	3,77%	-	-	La differenza (4) fra le colonne 3 e 4, è rappresentata da militari in licenza.-
131	121	7,43%	-	-	La differenza (10) fra le colonne 3 e 4, dedotti i militari in licenza (9), è rappresentata da: -1 militare in luogo di cura.-
450	423	-	-	-	

Nella legione di Firenze sono compresi i militari del comando 3ª Brigata e quelli del complemento battaglioni mobili.-

Presente della legione di Ancona sono compresi solo 107 militari del battaglione mobile .-Non sono invece compresi i 365 militari dello stesso battaglione giunti il 25 e 27 mag- il periodo elettorale.-

Organico delle legioni di Ancona e Livorno è compreso il contingente di 365 uomini della Trieste.-

Organico delle Legioni è quello previsto sulla base di 75.000 uomini per tutta l'Arma.-

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
FLORENCE.

REF: BLU/20

Florence, 5 April 1946

Subject: Reports and Returns - End/Beginning Month Report.

To : M.M.I.A.

Reference BD/113 dated 27 Dec.1945.

1. Attached (in quadruplicate) are the following:-

(a) End/Beginning month report as at 1/4/46.

(b) At Appx "A" is Location Statement of 7 B.L.U. and amendment to Location Statement of Italian Troops in 7 Territorial Command down to Bns. and equivalent units.

(c) At Appx "B" is Staff List of 7 B.L.U.

(d) At Appx "C" is amendment to Staff List of all Italian Officers in the Command, of the rank of Lt/Col. and above.

(e) At Appx "D" is Return of Br. M.T. held by this B.L.U.

(f) At Appx "E" is Progress Report on C.A.R. SIENA.

(g) At Appx "F" is Report by ORD. W.O.

2. No reference is made in this Report to CC.MR. The CO.MR. I.O of this B.L.U. has intimated that at the recent CC.MR. Conference in ROME it was stated that the independent routine reports rendered by CC.MR. I.O's to M.M.I.A. would obviate any need for duplication of CC.MR. activities in the routine B.L.U. Reports.

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C.C. MARSON
Lt. Col.
G S O I

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Subject : 7 B.L.U. End/Beginning Month Report as at 1 April 1946.

1. GENERAL.

(a) Domestic (H.Q.)

(i) Major R. DOWLING attached 7 B.L.U. left FLORENCE for ROME on 17th March.

(ii) Capt. R.C. STRONG RAEC received orders to proceed to UK to attend a 6 months RAEC course.
He will leave early in April. So far no successor has been definitely appointed.
(AFHQ Signal C 34641 dated 30 March to UNRRA (Italian Mission - Rome) copy MILA)

(iii) No. 6[illegible]72 Pte COWVEN attd 7 B.L.U. left for UK on Release on 31 March.

(iv) Sgt. BAKKER chief Clerk 7 B.L.U. and L/C BAGH, Driver Mech are both in A/S Group 23 and are due to leave about middle of April.
O.C. were written to and asked for replacements for these two O.R's (letter HQ/98 dated 23 Mar'46 copy MILA refers.)
Information has been received from O.C.R that no D/Ms are available but a Sgt. Clerk (7675755 A/C/SGT. ARMEY - Dutch) has been posted.
He has not yet arrived.

(v) A duty SGT. (7914921 SGT THOMAS - RAC) has been posted but has not arrived yet.

(b) British

(i) 31 Sub Area (FLORENCE COMMAND) closed down w.e.f. 2359 hrs 31 Mar '46.
The Town Major has been appointed O.C. Troops FLORENCE.
Although nothing has been officially received in writing, from talks with the Town Major it is understood that matters of Local Administration will be referred to him, whilst other subjects such as Release, Leap etc will be referred to R&AC.

(ii) A definite ruling as to policy on this subject

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successor has been definitely appointed.
(AFHQ Signal C 34641 dated 30 March to UNRRA (Italian Mission - Rome) copy MMIA)

(iii) No. 6468472 Pte GRIVIN attd 7 B.L.U. left for UK on Release on 31 March.

(iv) Sgt. BARKER Chief Clerk 7 B.L.U. and L/C PAGE, Driver Mech are both in A/S Group 20 and are due to leave about middle of April.
G.2.E were written to and asked for replacements for these two O.R's (letter BLU/58 dated 25 Mar'45 copy MMIA refers.)
Information has been received from G.2.E that no R/Ms are available but a Sgt. Clerk (7675755 A/C/SGT. ARMY - Buffs) has been posted.
He has not yet arrived.

(v) A duty SGT. (7914921 SGT THOMAS - RAC) has been posted but has not arrived yet.

(b) British

(i) 211 Sub Area (FLORENCE COMMAND) closed down w.e.f. 2359 hrs 31 Mar '45.
The Town Major has been appointed O.C. Troops FLORENCE.
Although nothing has been officially received in writing, from talks with the Town Major it is understood that matters of Local Administration will be referred to him, whilst other subjects such as Release, Liap etc will be referred to RAAC.

(ii) A definite ruling as to policy on this subject would be appreciated.

(c) Italian.

(i) Lieut. FRANCHINI reported for duty from 4 B.L.U. as Interpreter (Regular Officer) at this Hq. on 22 Mar.

(ii) 7 T.C. have been requested to allow Lieut. STORACE to continue working with 7 B.L.U. at any rate for the time being. This request was made as the C S O II will spend 3 to 4 days of each week with the C.A.R. at SIENA and requires an interpreter with him there.

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(d) Visits & Liaison.

(i) Col. KERR and Lieut.Col. ALBERT visited FLORENCE 20/23 March.
During their stay the following programme was carried out:-
Visit to Gen. DE SIMONE, Commander 7 T.C.
" " FOLGORE Div. (Gen FIALORSI)
" " CC.RR. HQ.
" " 7 Ind. Regt. HQ. and 1st Bn.
" " COVERCIANO Barracks.
" " SCANDICCI Barracks.

(ii) Col. FIDSLEY visited FLORENCE 21/23 Mar and 30/31 Mar. On 31 Mar he inspected C.A.R. SIENNA (See C.A.R. Report)

(iii) Major FIELDEN visited FLORENCE 19/20 Mar. During his stay the Internal Groups of FLORENCE and BOLOGNA were inspected.

(iv) G S O I and G S O II 7 B.L.U. visited C.A.R. SIENNA on 19 March (See C.A.R. report)

(v) G S O I accompanied Gen DE SIMONE on inspection of COVERCIANO Barracks on 26 Mar. (See para 4 (b) Accommodation).

2. "G"

(a) Ops.

(i) Domestic
(ii) Italian
} See para 1 (a)(b) and (c) above

(b) Employment of TIS

(i) 7 Ind. Inf. Regt.	Employed on Guard duties on Military Depots, Prisons, P.O.W. (LATERINA), train escorts, ranges. On Sats - Mons employed on Public Security duties (elections)
(ii) 716 Adm.Regt.	Disbanded.
(iii) 6 Prov. Group.	Two Coys disbanding, the remaining three still under American ops. Command and mostly deployed on Guard duties.
(iv) 7 C.A.R.	See separate Report Appx "E".
(v) FOLGORE Div.	Mostly engaged on Public Security duties

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(See C.A.R. Report)

(iii) Major FIELDING visited FLORENCE 19/20 Mar. During his stay the Internal Groups of FLORENCE and BOLOGNA were inspected.

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2. "G"

(a) Ops.

(i) Domestic
(ii) Italian

See para 1 (a)(b) and (c) above

(b) Employment of TEs

(i) 7 Ind. Inf. Regt. — Employed on Guard duties on Military Depots, Prisons, P.O.W. (LATERINA), train escorts, ranges. On Sats - Mons employed on Public Security duties (elections)

(ii) 716 Adm.Regt. — Disbanded.

(iii) 6 Prov. Group. — Two Coys disbanding, the remaining three still under American ops. Command and mostly deployed on Guard duties.

(iv) 7 C.A.R. — See separate Report Appx "F".

(v) FOLGORE Div. — Mostly engaged on Public Security duties for Elections (Sat- Mon)

(c) Training.

(i) 7 Ind. Inf. Regt. — Apart from Range practises no training has been possible owing to ops.Commitments.

(ii) 6 Prov. Group. — No training possible.

(iii) 7 C.A.R. — See separate Report Appx "F".

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(iv) FORLI Div. All units have had two Range Exercises. In addition, march training platoon and coy tactical drill: specialist courses for M.T. drivers, R/T operators, Range takers, typists. Also officers' T.E.W.T.S

(d) Intelligence.

(i) It is reported that Communist propaganda is being spread among 7 C.A.R. recruits by means of a Communist Club at SIENA, which provides free meals, wine and dancing for Italian Soldiers (See HLU letter 35 R of 3 Apr. 46 added 7 T.C. copy M.M.I.A)

(ii) Elections have been carried out without notable incident. No requests have been made for military intervention in aid of Civil Power.

(iii) Call-up of 1924 Class proceeds without incident.

(iv) Activities of the FLORENCE Centre of the 808 C.S. Bn. have already been reported in this HQ. letter 28 Mar (DO/Lt. Col. MYERS -Col. KERR)

3. "A"

(a) Domestic (HLU)

Deficiencies.

Offrs: Nil, pending Capt. STRONG's departure.

O.R's			
	Cpl.	Clerk	
	Pte	"	
	L/C	RAOC	Clerk
	"	RASC	"
	"	RAOC	" (for S & T)

(Note. See also para 1 (a) above)

(b) Italian.

(i) Deficiencies in Strength.

7 Ind. Inf. Regt. Approx 400 O.R's under W.E. due to release of 1921 Class.

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(ii) Elections have been carried out without notable incident. No requests have been made for military intervention in aid of Civil Power.

(iii) Call-up of 1924 Class proceeds without incident.

(iv) Activities of the FLORENCE Centre of the 806 C.S. Bn. have already been reported in this HQ. letter 28 Mar (DC/1.Lt. Col. MAYERS -Col. KENR)

3. "A"

(a) Domestic (BLU)

Deficiencies.

Offrs: Nil, pending Capt. STRONG's departure.

O.R's Cpl. Clerk
Pte "
L/C RAOC Clerk
" RASC "
" RASC " (for S & T)

(Note. See also para 1 (a) above)

(b) Italian.

(1) Deficiencies in Strength.

7 Ind. Inf. Regt. Approx 400 O.R's under W.E. due to release of 1921 Class.

6 Prov. Group. One fifth (approx 200 O.R's) released.

M.T. Repair Directorate. One Quarter (approx 70 O.R's) released.

Commissariat. One third (approx 60 O.R's) released.

Medical Directorate. One third released.

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FOLGORE Div.

Offrs: 45 above W.E.
N.C.O's:10% below W.E.) incl. Specialists:
O.R's :25% " " " (Drivers 20%
) D/R's 60%
) R/T Ops.40%
Mechs 7 deficient.

(Note. Owing to release of 1921 Class the deficiencies in specialists in Units other than FOLGORE Div. have increased, but precise details are not yet available at 7 T.C.)

(ii) Discipline.

(iii) Pay.

(iv) Leave.

(v) Morale.

Nothing notable to report. Morale appears high, especially among new recruits who are favourably surprised at the work done for their own benefit and welfare at the C.A.R. Leave is still hard to obtain to VENEZIA GIULIA, and especially to POLA area. Leave to SARDEGNA has notably increased.

4. "Q".

(a) Domestic (N.E.I)

(i) Transport. See Appx attached.

(ii) Accommodation. Wholly satisfactory, but it is intended to open the VILLA PRIMAVERA for officer's accommodation and Mess before the end of April (i.e. when the weather presents no fuel problem)

(b) Italian.

(i) Transport.
Necessary M.T. has been provided by 7 T.C. for the transport of new recruits to 7 C.A.R. from the 8 Territorial Districts.

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specialists in Units other than [illegible] increased, but precise details are not yet available at 7 T.C.)

(ii) Discipline.

(iii) Pay.

(iv) Leave.

(v) Morale.

Nothing notable to report. Morale appears high, especially among new recruits who are favourably surprised at the work done for their own benefit and welfare at the C.A.R. Leave is still hard to obtain to VENEZIA GIULIA, and especially to POLA area. Leave to SARDEGNA has notably increased.

4. "Q".

(a) Domestic (ZONE)

(i) Transport. See Appx attached.

(ii) Accommodation. Wholly satisfactory, but it is intended to open the VILLA ROTHAMERA for officer's accommodation and Mess before the end of April (i.e. when the weather presents no fuel problem)

(b) Italian.

(i) Transport. Necessary M.T. has been provided by 7 T.C. for the transport of new recruits to 7 C.A.R. from the 8 Territorial Districts. All M.T. arrangements have functioned satisfactorily. There is a marked scarcity of spare tyres for Italian passenger vehicles.

(ii) RADC. See Appx "P" attached.

(iii) Clothing and Equipment. Summer clothing for C.A.R. has been issued, but 300 sets short. For other units in 7 T.C. the issue is not only incomplete, but includes "riding breeches and green puttees". Needless

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details of this issue are awaited from 7 T.C. and a separate report will follow soonest.
POLAMIS Div. have reported a shortage of Summer uniforms, details of which will follow as soon as ascertained.

(iv) Arms and Ammo. POLAMIS Division has a serious shortage of 9.m.m. A full detailed report has been called for and will be forwarded soonest.
7 C.M.R. have received 4 wagon-loads of arms, their only deficiency is now twenty nine 3- inch Mortars.
No arm has yet been received but it has been promised to arrive by 10 Apr at latest.

(v) C.E.M. Handing over of dumps to A.R.A.R. is proceeding according to plan.

(vi) Accommodation. SCANDIOCI Barracks. Negotiations for the taking over of these barracks have been going on for the last week.
Parties carrying on these negotiations have been:-

Lt.Col. ALBERT EMIA
7 B.L.U.
Col. [illegible] P.B.S. Tel. Value 69
Capt. JAMES P.B.S. Tel. Value 69
Major [illegible] P.B.S. Value 157

It is hoped and in fact expected that these barracks will be handed over to 7 T.C. during the first week in April.
When this has been done it is proposed to move the HQ. and 1 Bn. of 7 Ind.Regt. to SCANDIOCI Barracks, this will allow CC.RR. to have the whole of BALDISSERA barracks instead of sharing it with 7th Regt. as at present.

MANSION CLUB. This was the British MAAFI but has been decommissioned by the British. 7 T.C. are anxious to take over this excellent building but the present representatives of the old C.I.L. organisation are also anxious to have the building returned to them.
Negotiations are proceeding between Ministry of War and the relevant Italian Ministry.

CAVALIERO Barracks. During his visit to these barracks on 19 Mar, Gen. DE SIMONE

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No arm has yet been received but it has been promised to arrive by 10 Apr at latest.

(v) C.E.M.E. — Handing over of dumps to A.R.A.F. is proceeding according to plan.

(vi) Accomodation. — SCANNIGN Barracks. Negotiations for the taking over of these barracks have been going on for the last week.
Parties carrying on these negotiations have been:-

Lt.Col. ALBERT MMLA
7 B.I.U.
Col. [illegible] P.B.S. Tel. Value 69
Capt. JAMES P.B.S. Tel. Value 69
Major [illegible] P.B.S. Value 157

It is hoped and in fact expected that these barracks will be handed over to 7 T.C. during the first week in April.
When this has been done it is proposed to move the H.Q. and 1 Bn. of 7 Ind.Regt. to SCANNIGN Barracks, this will allow OC.HR. to have the whole of BALLISERA barracks instead of sharing it with 7th Regt. as at present.

[illegible] CLUB. This was the British NAAFI but has been derequisitioned by the British. 7 T.C. are anxious to take over this excellent building but the present representatives of the old C.I.L. organisation are also anxious to have the building returned to them.
Negotiations are proceeding between Ministry of War and the relevant Italian Ministry.

[illegible] Barracks. During his visit to these barracks on 19 Mar, Gen. HE [illegible] expressed to G S O I his intention of concentrating there, as soon as possible ALL the M.T. and Mech Units of 7 T.C. in view of the suitability of this accommodation for such units. Until alternative accommodation is available however, units of the [illegible] Div. ([illegible] Workshops, O.F.P. Fmg. Coy, and [illegible] Regt. on its return) are to be accomodated in these barracks.

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(vii) P.O.L. The monthly supply for 7 T.C. was not received, as C.I.P. did not receive their allotted quota from the M. of W. Transport has functioned, however, using only a small portion of P.O.L. reserve stocks.

(viii) Medical. Staff Hr. 1 officer - 2 Sgt.Dispensers RAMO att 7 B.L.U.
Central Italian Depot of Medical Stores move from MARIANO ROSE to ISTITUTO FARMACEUTICO MILITARE-ELEMENT FLORENCE completed during the month.
Two rail trucks of captured medical stores arrived from NAPLES on M.E. now in the process of being checked and handed over to the Italians.
40 rail trucks arrived from MILANO containing Medical Stores and machinery for the Institute.
4 Large buildings at the Institute are at present occupied by ENDIMA.
These buildings are now urgently required by the Italian Military Authorities at the RIUNITI Institute for the purpose of installing the machinery and stores arriving from MILANO of which there are 400 rail trucks expected.
Ministry of War should take early action in this matter.

C.A.R. medical organisation complete.

The "MANICOMIO" Hospital was turned into an isolation V.D. ward under the main Military Hospital.

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AMG att 7 B.A.R.
Central Italian Depot of Medical Stores
move from [redacted] to ISTITUTO
FARMACEUTICO MILITARE-SUPERIOR FIORENTINO
completed during the month.
Two rail trucks of captured medical
stores arrived from [redacted] on M.F.
now in the process of being checked
and handed over to the Italians.
40 rail trucks arrived from [redacted]
containing Medical Stores and machinery
for the Institute.
4 Large buildings at the Institute are
at present occupied by [redacted].
These buildings are now urgently
required by the Italian Military
Authorities at the [redacted] Institute
for the purpose of installing the
machinery and stores arriving from
[redacted] of which there are 400 rail
trucks, expected.
Ministry of War should take early
action in this matter.

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are not thorough enough, and it is
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of so many ailments, in order to avoid
service, that the medical authorities
presume that all are malingering and
pass them en bloc as fit.

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Appendix "A" to 7 Bde letter
B.M.P.D. dated 5 April 1946

LOCATION STATEMENT OF ALL UNITS IN CENTRAL COMMAND FORCE ID
FOR OR EQUIVALENT AS AT 1st APRIL 1946

UNIT	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
6 Provisional Gen. Hq.	Castiglioncello	AB - XXX
28 Hq. Service Bn.	Leghorn	" "
7 St. "Gallo" Hospital	Florence	XXX - XX
183 Terr. Mil. Hospital	Lucca	" "
7 Repairs Unit	Florence	" "
7 Inf. Regt. Hq.	Florence	" "
1st Bn. (ex 509 guard Bn.)	Florence	" "
2nd Bn. (ex 511 guard Bn.)	Pisa	" "
3rd Bn. (ex 512 guard Bn.)	Leghorn	" "
702 Refugee Center	Siena	" "
Training Centre (C.A.Rs)	Florence	" "
"Folgore" Inf. Division	Arezzo	" "
"Nembo" Regt. Hq.	Montevarchi	" "
1st Inf. Bn.	Arezzo	" "
2nd Inf. Bn.	Cortona	" "
3rd Inf. Bn.	Montecatini	" "
184 Artillery Regt. Hq.	Pescia	" "
No 1 25 - Pr Bty	Lucca	" "
No 2 25 - Pr Bty	Pistoia	" "
No 3 25 - Pr Bty	Lucca	" "
No 4 25 - Pr Bty	Massa	" "
No 5 17 - Pr Bty A/tk	Pistoia	" "
No.6 40 - m/m A.A. Bty	Pesaro	" "
184 Engr. Bn. Hq. "Folgore"	Forrgia	" "
184 Medical Sec.	Arezzo	" "
516 Fd. Hospital	Montecatini	" "
517 Fd. Hospital	Castello	" "
184 S & T Coy	Florence	" "
Central School	Florence	" "
Hq. 3 Brigade	Florence	" "
Hq. Mob. Bns Group	Florence	" "
Florence Legion	Florence	" "
Siena Group	Florence	" "
Intern Group	Florence	" "
"Pistoia" Group	Pistoia	" "
"Arezzo" Group	Arezzo	" "
"Siena" Group	Siena	" "
"Leghorn"Legion	Leghorn	
CC.NN. Group	Leghorn	" "

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UNIT	LOCATION	CATEGORIES
90.IR. Group	Pisa	TIX - TXI
00.IR. Group	Grosseto	" "
03.IR. Group	Arezzo	" "

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Appendix "B" to T.F.H.Q. [illegible]
NLT/NN dated 5 April 2016

SECRET T.F.H.Q. 00 of 2.6.1945

General Staff.

G3. I.
G3. II.

Lieuts. Col. C.C. [illegible].
Major. H.W. [illegible]

I. Pers.
Trans.

Branch of Adjutant General & Quartermaster General.

D/A & Q/M

Major. D.S.L. [illegible]

3 Trans. D.C.

Services.

R & T
Med.

Capts. R.G. [illegible]
Capts. P.H. [illegible]

RASC.
RAMC.

Attached.

CC.S. Liaison Officers.

Major. W. [illegible]

C.L.

Medical. L.O.

Capts. H.L. [illegible]

RAMC

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Annex "C" to 7 BMI letter IIU/20 dated 5 April 1946

Appendix to the List of Officials on duty with 7 PROVINCIAL ZONAL BOARD KOBE

Rank	Name	Civilian Rank	Appointment
Lieutenant			
Brig.Gen.	- SIBERT	CHAIRMAN	At disposal
Lieutenants			
Brig.Gen.	- MYER	MEMBER	Transferred to Terr.Cond. Korea
Brig.Gen.	- MARSHALL	GUIDO	Transferred to Army Reserve.
Brig.Gen.	- ARMSTRONG	(R)	Transferred to Army Reserve.
Assistants			
Brig.Gen.	- BENNETT	VACANT	Posted H.Q.C. of Infantry within the Territory.

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Appointments to the List of OFFICERS on duty with 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

RANK	ARM	NAME	CERTIFICATE NAME	APPOINTMENT
Increases.				
Col.	Art.	SALVATORE	GIULIO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Art.	BARENGHI	EMILIO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Art.	VIGO'	ADOLFO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Art.	D'AMARIO FRANCESCO		At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Art.	DI MATTEO	PIETRO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Inf.	BONTEMPELLI	RENATO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Inf.	CIUCCI	BRUNO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Art.	BOMPIANI	ROBERTO	At disposal 7 Terr.Comd.
Col.	Med.	D'ALESSANDRO	RAIMONDO	Assigned to Military Medical School
Col.	Art.	MENGARINI	ENZO	C.O. "Folgore" Army Regt.
Decreases.				
Col.	Inf.	BIANCO	GIROLAMO	Transferred to Terr.Comd. of Bari
Col.	Inf.	CAPPELLI	PIETRO	Transferred to Army Reserve.
Col.	Inf.	SCARPONI	GIOVANNI	Transferred to Army Reserve.
Col.	Inf.	DE LEO GIOLI	DARIO	Transferred to Army Reserve.
Col.	Art.	PACIENTI	LUIGI	Left the "Folgore" Army Regt. Command.
Appointments.				
Col.	Inf.	BASSETTI	GIUSEPPE	Posted C.O. 82nd Inf.Regt.Depot, Pisa.
Col.	Inf.	PIATTELLI	MARIO	Ex C.O. 716 Adm.Regt. At disposal Terr.Comd.
Col.	Inf.	MORELLI	MARIO	Ex C.O. La Spezia Gar. " " " " " "
Col.	Art.	BARONI	GIUSEPPE	Posted C.O. F.C.F. Laterina Camp.
Col.	Inf.	GUERRINI	ICILIO	Ex C.O. P.C.F. Laterina Camp - At disp.7 T.C.

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ANNEX "C" to 7 HAB letter HHA/20 dated 5 April 1946

Appointments to the Unit of H.Q.C.S.A. on duty with 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND REGIONS

RANK	ARM	NAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	APPOINTMENT
Appointed.				
Lt.Col.	Art.	SQUIERI	EDUARDO	Military Govt. Institute - Florence.
Lt.Col.	Inf.	ALBINI	GIUSEPPE	Pistoia - Military District
Reverted.				
Lt.Col.	Inf.	MARCELLI	CALOGERO	Discharged.
Lt.Col.	Inf.	MERZI	LUIGI	Sent in sick leave.
Lt.Col.	Inf.	STELLA	EUGENIO	Discharged
Appointed.				
Lt.Col.	Art.	LAZZERINO	DOMENICO	From Remount Reint.Depot, Grosseto - to Military District of Grosseto.

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Appendix "D" to 7 BLU letter
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SERIAL No.	MAKE	TYPE	NUMBER	REG.	L.R.	BLR.	REMARKS
1	ALFA-ROMEO	4 STR	CAP/M 5938210	Yes	-	-	
2	CHEVROLET	HUP	M 5905872	Yes	-	-	
3	CHEVROLET	HUP	M 5905880	Yes	-	-	
4	WILLYS	JEEP	M 5661815	Yes	-	-	
5	FORD	15 CWT	Z 5428450	Yes	-	-	
6	B.S.A.	M/Cycle 350/ c/c	C 4562185	Yes	-	-	
7	B.S.A.	M/Cycle 500/ c/c	C 5123826	Yes	-	-	
8	CHEVROLET	HUP	Z 5906050	Yes	-	-	Attached with RAMC personnel

Certified above vehicles are held on charge, that their condition is as stated and that AB 412 and AB 406 have been inspected and found correct.

SIGNED ..... N.W. Hamilton Major
for D.A.A.&Q.M.G.

Subject : C.A.R. SIENA - End of Month Report as at 31 March 1946

1. Personnel.

(a) Recruits. 2560 recruits had arrived, been medically examined and equipped.

(b) Permanent Staff. The serious shortage of Instructors will hinder training. To complete W.E. it will be necessary to post 81 O.R's and 12 NCO instructors. Remainder of staff is up to W.E. strength.

2. Accommodation.

(a) Excellent work has been carried out in the short time available to ensure adequate accommodation of a high standard. Recruits sleep on wire spring beds (mostly double tier) and are issued with 3 blankets and 1 pair sheets each.

(b) Hot showers baths have been installed to ensure at least one bath per man per week.

(c) Kitchens and cooking equipment are modern.

(d) Dining halls are now fully furnished to accommodate maximum number of recruits. Clean and well run.

(e) Officers Messes and NCOs Messes are now completed and function well.

(f) During the visit of Col. KERR to Gen. DE SIMONE on Mar 22 the latter suggested the advisability, owing to shortage of accommodation at SIENA, of having one of the three CAR Battalions at AREZZO, where accommodation is available. Col. KERR promised to take up the matter with M. of W. The General also reported that the C.A.R. had earned unpopularity in SIENA through the occupation of a civilian hotal (single officers accommodation) and an ex-Orphanage (PIAVE Barracks)

3. Rations.

(a) The ration scale is adequate. CARNE CHILE serves as the basic meat ration and is unpopular - corned beef would be prefered.

(b) See also BLU/ST G 10 of 30 Mar 46, copy attached.

4. Clothing.

The only serious shortage is fatigue uniforms (dyed green B.D.) Sufficient have been received to clothe about 50% of the recruits, remainder have been promised but are not yet to hand.

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5. Arms.

(a) Have arrived in FLORENCE and will be despatched to C.A.R. in the next two days.

(b) No cleaning materials have been received but adequate arrangements have been made for cleaning with improvised materials.

6. Training.

(a) Sites have been receed for all ranges necessary. These are on cultivated ground. Two open ranges are nearing completion and work has been started on another two open ranges and

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30 yd and miniature ranges.

(b) Training to the end of this month has been foot drill, barrack room instruction, P.T. and recreational training.

7. Welfare.

(a) There is a canteen in each barracks for the sale of wine, cakes, cigarettes, writing paper, soap etc. at a cost of approx. 20% less than civilian shops.

(b) Reading and writing rooms are functioning in each barracks.

8. Inspections and Liaison.

(a) G.S.O. II (Maj. HAMILTON) spent the period 28 Mar-1Apr. at 7 C.A.R. and accompanied Col. PIDSLEY on an inspection of the C.A.R. on 31 Mar.

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(Ref. para 3 (b) above.)

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Florence, 30 March 1946

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To : ADST. Land Forces Sub. Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A)

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CAPT. R.A.S.C.
S & T. 7 BLU

copy: 7 Territorial Command.

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Appendix "F" to 7 AGU letter
AGU/20 dated 5 [illegible] 1946

OCCUPATION WARRANT OFFICER'S REPORT.- MONTH ENDING MARCH

1. Further Inspection carried out of No. 7 Repair Shop at Piazza di San Pancrazio.

2. Conference held with Col. Buccari regarding the following: -

(a) Anticipated transfer of Repair Shop to Rifredi (H.R. Sheet 11.577371) Appointment made for an Inspection of the new Site. (See para 4.)

(b) System of Manufacture and Repair.

(c) Future submission to me of:-

i) Weekly Activity Reports.
ii) Weekly Tonnage Reports.
iii) Distribution and Grade of Personnel employed.
iv) Machinery in use.

3. Inspection of Chemical Test Laboratory - No. 7 Repair Shop.

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(a) Tension of Fibres.
(b) Microscopic Test.
(c) Water Resisting.
(d) Composition of Materials.
(e) Fibre Counting to conform to standard.

4. Inspection of Newly Approved Site. - No. 7 Repair Shop.

(a) Accompanied by Col. Buccari and Major Bardi I inspected the newly approved site for No. 7 Repair Shop at Rifredi. The building is still being repaired but it is hoped that preparations will be completed by May.

(b) A considerable quantity of various items of Stores, such as, Cutlery, Ground Sheets, Anti Gas Capes, Part Worn Boots and Captured German Special Winter Clothing are being sorted and repacked into sacks according to their respective condition. This work is being done by Male and Female Sorters and Male Packers the total of which is 46.

(c) The building will be admirable for the purpose, giving promise of an Ideal Lay-out. In this connection I have offered to assist Col. BUCCARI, giving him the benefit of my personal experience, in the Organisation and Planning of his new Shop.

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(See para 4.)

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5. Fire Fighting Equipment.

(a) It is becoming increasingly apparent that an extreme shortage is being felt of adequate Fire Fighting Equipment within this Command. Can Ministry of Supply assist in this matter please?

(b) A Statement of deficiencies is being called for from each unit within the Command. Upon receipt these will be consolidated and the complete picture made subject to a special paragraph in a later Report.

(c) The recommendations that I have made during my Inspections of Installations are already bearing fruit, an example of this is

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shown as Appendix "X" to this Report, but it is felt that to really break the back of this acute shortage of Equipment, further assistance must be sought from the Ministry of Supply.



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ORDNANCE WARRANT OFFICER

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FROM A "X" ORDNAN WARRANT OFFICER'S MARCH REPORT

Copy - Translation

7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND
FLORENCE

Ref: 3411/Serv.
Florence, 28 March 1946

Subject : Fire precautions for Commissariat Depots.

To : 7 B.L.U. Florence

1. Ref. your CRD/6 dated 2nd March. Herewith position of Fire Fighting Equipment, as requested.

2. This HQ. requested a grant of L. 560.000 from Ministry of War, to repair and complete adequate Fire Installations in the Central Clothing and Equipment Depot, at RIFREDI.

3. We requested General Engineers Directorate for an assignment of Fire Extinguishers for Commissariate Installations at LEGHORN. On the 2nd inst. we received, from 22nd Engrs. Repair W/Shop at PAVIA, 30 Extinguishers for use in No. 7 Bulk Supply Depot and 78 Food Distribution Depot.

4. In order to complete the Fire precautions necessary to other Commissariate Installations, HQ. Engrs, were required to supply Extinguishers, buckets, axes, and picks etc. and to repair existing hydrants.

5. It is requested that Leghorn and Florence Commissariats be authorised to ask assistance from Allied Fire Unit in the event of exceptional necessity and when the Civil Fire Unit are unable to control a fire.

6. You are requested to notify our above suggestions to the Allied Authorities concerned.

For THE LT. COL. ASST. CHIEF OF STAFF
Sgd. Col. Capitani.

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