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7 BRITISH MAISON UNIT  
FLORENCE  
Tel. 293610 - 23

12 September 1946

To : Capt. HAMILTON  
Provost Marshal Office  
U.S.  
MISSION

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Signor CRANEDO Giovanni  
Castello di Castelguelfo  
PARMA

1. The U.S. has in his possession several letters signed by Senior American officers stating that he has been of help to them and that he should be shown every consideration. He has also given great assistance to escaped British P.O.W. before the time of the liberation.
2. In view of the above will you please give him a sympathetic hearing. Some days ago in the LUCCA area he was pulled up by two American M.P.s who after examining his documents removed a complete wheel (with American tyre) from his car. Signor CRANEDO then produced a letter he had received from an American officer on sight of which the M.P.s allowed him to proceed.
3. On hearing of this incident I accompanied Signor CRANEDO to the O.C. American M.P. Coy in Florence who personally checked the documents and found them to be in order, he further stated that being in possession of those documents no M.P., either British or American was empowered to remove his tyres. O.C. American M.P. Coy Florence advised me to lay the matter before you.
4. This H.Q. has provided Signor CRANEDO with a letter which will satisfy British M.P.s that he is in legal possession of these tyres (see also Italian permit). It is requested that you should supply him with a similar letter to prevent a recurrence of this incident by American M.P.s.
5. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated by the undersigned.

H. W. HAMILTON  
Major  
CSD II - 7 BMU

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT  
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22 August 1945

To whom it may concern

Permit No 65293 has been issued by Ministero dei Trasporti, Florence, to Sig. GRANELLO Giovanni Battista in reference to the use of tyres of Allied origin.

At 0915 hrs on Thursday, 22nd August 1945 I produced the permit to the Desk Sergeant American Military Police (503 M.P. Bn.) Via Santa Caterina da Siena, Florence, who informed me that such permits are recognised as official.

W.G.

W. GREENHOUGH  
Major  
7 B.L.U.

Original to Sig Granello

22 Aug 45.

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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT  
FLORENCE  
Tel. 293618 - 23

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Ref. OC.RR./31

22 August 1946

Subject: Property confiscated by C.C. R.

To : HQ. 3rd Bgde Carabinieri  
From : 7 B.L.U. Florence

Reference your 359/2 of 12 July 1946.

1. A reply has been received from G.H.Q. C.M.F. stating that the case is being investigated and it is requested that any further infringement be reported.

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W. GREENOUGH  
Major  
7 B.L.U.

TRANSLATION

Oggetto: Materiale sequestrato dai Carabinieri

Na riferimento alla vostra No 359/2 del 12 luglio 1946.

1. Una risposta su tale argomento, giunta dal Quartier Generale C.M.F., informa che il caso e' in corso di indagine. Si richiede inoltre che ogni ulteriore infrazione venga resa nota.

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7 B.L.U.  
Q.M.  
27 July 1946.

7 B.L.U. Q.M. No. 27

By Lt. Col. G.C. MURRAY, G.S.C.T.

1. A Court of Inquiry composed as under will assemble at HQ. 7 B.L.U. at 0900 hrs. on 19 July 46 to inquire into the circumstances:

- (a) - under which 5672A13 1/Cpl. P. HAYWARD (R.A.M.C.) sustained injuries whilst travelling in W.D. Vehicle, GUNNERY, H.U.P. No. 5905872 on 15 July 46.
- (b) - of the accident in which damage was caused to W.D. Vehicle, GUNNERY, H.U.P. No. 5905872 on 15 July 46.

2. Composition of the Courts:

President Major W. GRIFFITHS Gen. Service - attd 7 B.L.U.

Members Capt. THOMAS - RAMC - attd 7 B.L.U.

3. The Commanding Officer directs that all evidence will be taken on oath.
4. The attention of the President is drawn to K.R's para 769 (b)
5. G.I.I. will be responsible for the attendance of all witnesses.  
He will arrange for the Court to take evidence from 1/Cpl. HAYWARD  
at 99 Gen. Hosp. BIRMINHAM.

*W.Hamilton*  
W.Hamilton

G.I.I.  
for Lt. Col. GOOD,  
7 B.L.U.

26 July 46  
Completed & submitted Co 7 B.L.U.  
*(L.W. m)*

7 APPROXIMATE TIME OF PARADE

BRIEF ORDERS

DISPOSITION

The under mentioned W.O., N.C.O., and men will parade  
at 0900 hours at the Unit Offices on 10th July 1946:

7567122	S/Cdr.	PATRICK JONES J.B.	R.A.C.S.
9/10637677	I/Cpl.	TXS G.	R.A.S.C.
5126910	Ftc.	DARRELL L.	R.A.M.C.
2657340	Cpl	ROBISON D.	Goldthorpe Gardens.

DRILLS

K.D.

Belts White W.E. (Brassas Polished)

Boots Ankle

Anklets Red or Purple.

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S/Cdr  
Warrant Officer 1 o Billeto

7 BRITISH MAISON UNIT  
Monte

Ref: BLU/11

18 July 1946

Subject: Court of Inquiry

To : M.H.L.A.  
copy : 217 Area

1. Further to our BLU/10 of 16 July 46, a copy of 7 BLU. Order No. 17 dated 17 July 46 is forwarded for your information.
2. Copies of A.P's A.2 will be forwarded on completion.

*H.W. Hamilton*  
H.W. HAMILTON  
Major  
CSO 7E

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Internal: Major GREENOUGH.

7 BRITISH MILITARY UNIT  
PARADES

REF: H.J/13

15 July 1946

Subject : Carabinieri

To : Mr. McLean

The Carabinieri' section of the FOREIGN Division are wearing white arm bands marked M.P. Their jeeps bear the markings MILITARY POLICE.  
The Office of the Chief of Staff, FOREIGN Division has stated that authority for these markings was given by 15 Corps at the time when the Division was under their command.

O.C. 503 Bn. M.P. MATERNO has requested that these markings be erased as confusion has been caused between Carabinieri and American M.P. jeeps. Cases have been reported of civilians complaining to O.C. 503 Bn. of the bad driving and behaviour of personnel in these jeeps, when, in fact, they were Italian jeeps driven by Italian M.P.s.

May information please be given as to whether any authority now exists for British marking to be either painted on Carabinieri vehicles or worn by Carabinieri.

*H.W. Hamilton*

H.W. HAMILTON  
Major  
GSO II

Copies: O.C. 503 M.P. Bn. Florence  
CC.MR. - 7 B.L.U.

*Allied markings to be erased 18  
per MMIA letter 22 June 46 (Open file)  
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## 7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

FLORENCE

Tel. 293618 - 23

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Ref. CG.RR./31

20th July 1946

Subject: Loss of vehicle - "Lancia Ardea" M 5643114

To : Il D. 3rd Bgdc GarabinieriFrom : 7 B.L.U. Florence

1. The attached letter is passed to you for your information and retention.
2. Will you please inform Dott. SUMA, Commissario at Florence Questura, as requested.

  
 W. GREENOUGH  
 Major  
 7 B.L.U.
TRADUCTION

Objetto: Smarrimento veicolo LANCIA ARDEA M 5643114

1. L'acclusa lettera viene trasmessa a voi per vostra informazione.
2. Vi pregiamo di informare come richiesto il Dott. SUMA Commissario alla questura di Firenze.

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7 BRITISH LOGISTICS UNIT  
FLORANGE

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Ref. CC.RR./31

July 17th 1946

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Subject: Property Confiscated by C.C.R.R.

To : H.Q. M.M.I.A. Rome

From : 7 B.L.U. Florence

1. Attached C.C.R.R. report (Appx "A") is passed to you for information and any action considered necessary.
2. At Appx "B" is copy of instructions issued by the 3rd Bdgde Commander for guidance of Carabinieri on duty at Road Blocks.
3. These instructions were issued on my advice as it is considered essential that such property, being the subject of a charge, should be available until such time as the Court has disposed of the case.

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M. GREENOUGH  
Major  
7 B.L.U.

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Major. D.S.L. GREGSON MM  
7 British Liaison Unit  
FLORENCE

DO/G

Florence, 25 June 1946

Subject : Hotel License

To : The QMSTORE - PISTOIA

1. I have known Mr. LUIGI GUIDI for a number of years and have always found him a man of the highest integrity.
2. He built a small hotel at S. MONTE (Pistoiesi, Appenines) which was destroyed by the Germans as they knew Mr. GUIDI was working for the Allies.
3. He has spent more than a million lire in rebuilding this hotel, part of which is now ready for opening.
4. In view of his services to the Allies I should be most grateful for any help you can give him over obtaining licenses etc for reopening his hotel.

*D.S.L. Gregson*

D.S.L. GREGSON  
Major  
DAA & QM

Copy to CC.MR. L.O.  
Mr. GUIDI.

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