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June 1948

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Sheepskins

RCV/em

1 Sr CG Terr
MMIA HQ 7 14 Nov.
Lo & 1945
Florence
Comm.

Request that 8 tanned sheepskins
be made available to me. Any expense
in connection with obtaining these
skins will be paid by me for they are
for a member of the Allied Commission
in Rome. =

R.C. VAN KIRK
MAJOR, INF.
SR. MMIA LO
FLORENCE

Report of clothing and equipment

I Ital
Lo Sr. MMIA Nov. 5
Lo Florence 1945

(77)

Attached is a report of clothing and equipment issued by 230th Div. to C.G. AR. as required.

1st Lt. A. Apostoli

MMIA
Rome 14 Nov.
1945

1. Ref. telephone conversation Cary-Van Kirk
2. Forwarded in conformity with your oral request.

R.C. Van Kirk
Major, Inf.,
Sr. MMIA Lo
Florence

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Release of clothing

RCV/em

1 Sr.MMA Commis- 16 Nov.
Lo sariato 1945
Florence(Centri
Recuperi)

Request that 3 field jackets be made available
to Italian Officers on duty at this HQ and also suffi-
cient sheepskins for liners.

R.C. Van Kirk
Major, Inf.
Sr. MMA Lo
Florence

3538

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M.F.I.A.) FLORENCE COMMAND
A.P.O. 560

Florence, 15 November 1945.

Subject : CEM.

To : C.G. Terr. H.Q., No.7- Florence.

The following CEM equipment will be shipped to you from Leghorn .

P.B.S. will give me the ETA and car numbers and you will notify you further when I get this information.

259 canteen	242 tubes wax for skins
5028 goggles	2 body helmets
8670 haversacks	8046 spurs
6462 holsters pistol	3992 saddle bags
526 ladders 24 inch	3098 ropes
1330 packboards	1161 saddle riding
1800 pickmattox	400 carry combs
421 pack cooking	2006 riding saddles
944 stoves and stovepipes	500 goggles
15075 face towels	6500 snow suits
4300 balls	13 barrels wooden.

R. C. VAN KINK
Major, Infantry
SH. MNIA LC
Florence

3537

21

Release of Equipment

RCV/em

(74)

1 Sr MMIA Commis- 12 Nov.
Lo sariato 1945
Florence

Request you release to me for use at my villa
12 blankets
12 cups and saucers.

R.C. Van Kirk
Major, Inf.
Sr. MMIA Lo
Florence

236

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xxx 650

Battle Dress - Distinguishing Marks Italian Army.

RCV/ebf
L

Sr C.G. 6 Nov
MMIA LO Terr HQ 1945
Florence

For your information and guidance.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

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Salvage Materials.

RCV/ebf

Sr Salvage 2 Nov
MMIA IO Depot 1945
Florence Florence

Request that the following salvaged items be
issued to bearer:

Drawers, cotton	18
Socks, wool	9 pr.
Undershirts, cotton	18
Gloves, wool, OD	4 pr.
Shirt, wool, OD	1
Raincoat	2
Jacket, Field	1

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA IO
Florence.

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E.P.I. Supplies to Italian Forces.

RCV/of

(b)

Sr C.G. 29 Oct
MMIA LO Terr HQ 1945
Florence # 7

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

3533

xxx 650

Clothing Issue to Iti-Itis.

RCV/ebf

MMIA LO Terr HQ 27 Oct
Florence # 7 1945

1. Reference copy attached signal.
2. For your information and guidance.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

632

Signal Rendition Stock State Return -- 20 Oct.

RCV/sbf

MMIA LO MMIA 27 Oct.
Florence 1945

1. Reference your ST/1025, subject: Stock State Return.
2. Copy of Signal sent you on 24 October 45 is attached.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

1551

xxx 650

Clothing & Equipment

(64)

MMIA LO Ital 27 Oct
Florence LO 1945

Request you obtain for me a complete inventory of
all clothing and equipment issued to TC.RR, 230 Division,
since last May to present date.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf
Sr. MMIA LO
Florence

650

24-17

JOHN J. WARD, Capt., CAC, MMIA LO, Florence

61 QM Depot

2691 M.M.I.A. Co., FLORENCE
APO 650

(63)

Drawers, cotton	size	34	ea	9
" "	"	30	ea	9
Socks, wool	"	11	pr	6
" "	"	10 1/2	pr	3
Undershirts, cotton	"	36	ea	18
Gloves, wool	"	small	pr	1
" "	"	med.	pr	2
" "	"	large	pr	1
Shirt, OD	"	14 1/2--32	ea	1
Pump, air pressure #65-J-2160			ea	1
/////////Last Item/////////				

549

JOHN J. WARD, Capt., CAC, MMIA LO, Florence

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1722

xxx 650

Request for Switchboard

02

Sr CG 15 Oct
MMIA LO Terr HQ 1945
#7

Request that a 6 drop telephone switchboard be
installed in the office of the Commissariato at Leghorn.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
Florence

5528

Q8760

2691 MMIA Co (Ovhd)
Florence Detachment

Gasoline

gals
or 35 drums

1700

Basis: For use of 21st Recovery Commission in
recovering Italian Military vehicles.

13 Oct 5

R.C.VAN KIRK, Major, Inf, Sr. MMIA LO
Florence

E-2176

M.M.I.A. Detachment Florence

Saw, crosscut

ea

0

1

Shovels

ea

0

2

R.C.VAN KIRK, Major, Inf. Sr MMIA LO
Florence

5855

M.M.I.A. Detachment Florence

(63)

Coal	ton	0	5 ton
Lignite	ton	0	5 ton
Firewood	ton	0	2 ton

BASIS: For the heating of offices and billets for M.M.I.A.
for the months of November and December.

APPROVED.

THOMAS A. LINDO
2d Lt, FA
S-4, Florence Comd

5855

12 Oct 5 R.C. VAN KIRK, Major, Inf, Sr. MMIA LO
Florence

xxx 650

Request for Triangulation Data



Sr CG 11 Oct
MIA LO Geograph- 1945
Florence ical
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Florence

Request you furnish to Major A. Gluck of 524 Field
Survey Company from the Survey Directorate, AFHQ, all
Triangulation data for the purpose of connecting the
Italian mainland with Corsica Island and from Sardinia
to Corsica.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MIA) LO
Florence

524

Uniforms for CC.RR

1. Ital Sr MMIA LO Oct 8
LO Florence 1945
Florence

Col. Rossetti, Chief of S. of the 3rd
Carabineiri Brig. has called me up this morning
to ask why the assignment of 10,000 BR-ITI uniforms
has been discontinued by your order.

Lt. A.M. De Martino

56

2 Sr Ital 10 Oct
MMIA LO LO 1945
Florence

Issued no such order and know of no reason why
it was stopped.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
Florence

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xxx 650

Clothing and equipment.

(J)

1. Sr. Direct Oct.
EMIA of 10, 945
TO Comm.
Floren-
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Forwarded recommending approval.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. EMIA LO
Florence

523

Engineer Depot

MMIA Det Florence

Cloth, glass	roll	0	3
Saw, cross cut	ea	0	1
Shovels	ea	0	2

511

JOE VAN KIRK, Major, Inf, Sr (MMIA) LO Florence

BP60

9 October 1945

52

MMIA Det
Florence

1 drum
53 gals

Kerosene

1 drum 53 gals

1519

R.C. VAN BEEK, Major, Inf, Gr. (MMIA ID) Florence

Q5L55

SALVAGE CERTIFICATE

NOTE - Separate Salvage Certificate to be made out for each branch of supply.

I hereby certify the following items were worn out thru fair wear and tear in the government use and were neither destroyed nor damaged thru fault or neglect of any one concerned.

ORGANIZATION 2691 MIA Co. (Ovhd) Florence
(Signature & Rank of Supply Officer)

DATE 4 October 1945

No. of Item	Unit	I t e m	Reply Made	Disposition to be filled out by Salvage Warehouse.
1	ea	Mackinaw, size 35 R		57
3	pr	Trousers, Wool OD, size 29-33		
				7513

The articles listed above have been received by me this date for salvage.

(Salvage Officer)

The articles listed above hereby are re-requisitioned. I hereby certify that articles requisitioned are not in excess of authorized allowances.

Authority for requisition is: _____

Re-Requisitioned Approved

R.C. Van Kirk
Signature of Requisitioner
R.C. VAN KIRK, Major, Infantry

War Department
M.O. Form No. 400

REQUISITION

TO: 5152 No. of Sheets Sheet No.
 REQUISITION NO. DATE: October 1945 PERIOD
 SHIP TO: 2691 U.S.A. Co. (Gyhd) Florence

REQUISITIONED BY:

R. O. Van Klee
 R.O. VAN KLEE,
 Major, Inf.,
 Sr MIA IC
 Florence

APPROVED BY:

STOCK NO.	ARTICLES	UNIT	ON HAND AND DUE	CONSUMED	REQUIRED	APPROVED
	Kotex Last Item	pk			300	
	To be supplied from Captured Stocks if possible. (For Female Neo-Fascist Prisoner Camp, Florence. 294 persons.)					

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REQUISITION

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0860

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8 Oct 1945

Female Prisoners
Camp, Florence

3 drums

Gasoline

drums
gals

159 gals

3516

R.C. VAN EIRK, Major, Inf, Sr. (MIA) Florence

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xxx 650

Clothing for 230 Division.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.G. 6 Oct.
MMIA IO Terr HQ 1945
Florence #7
C.G.
230.
Div.

1. Reference attached signal.
2. For your information and necessary action.

R.G. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA IO
Florence

5515

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Request for Telephone.

30

RCV/ebf

3. Sr Italian 6 Oct
MMIA IO Liaison 1945
Florence Officer

For compliance with second indorsement.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA IO
Florence

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4 October 5

2691 M.M.I.A. Co. (Ovhd) Florence

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA LO
Florence

Blankets, wool, OD	ea	20
Boots, Combat, size 8 1/2 B	pr	1
" " " 8 1/2 D	pr	1
" " " 9 D	pr	2
" " " 10 C	pr	1
Gloves, leather, driving	pr (size, med.)	4
" " " "	pr (" small)	2
Shirt, wool, OD, size 14 1/2	ea	1
Trousers, wool, OD, 33-33	pr	1

/////////Last Item/////////

0513

Equipment of Laterina Concentration Camp.

36

2 Sr OC 4 Oct.
MMIA LO Laterina 1945
Florence Camp

Forwarded recommending approval of Colonel Piccinini's request. If you elect, the items mentioned could be charged to the Italian Government, or loaned preferably, put on a shipping ticket and a charge made if the items mentioned are British property.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

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BR-ITI Clothing.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.G. 4 Oct.
AMIA LO Terr HQ 1945
Florence #7

1. Reference attached telegram.
2. For your information and guidance.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr AMIA LO
Florence

510

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Release of Winter Clothing.

RCV/ebf

Sr Comm. 2 Oct.
MIA LO MIL. 1945
Florence

The issuance of Italian Winter Clothing
in lieu of the Summer items listed hereon is
authorized.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA LO
Florence

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Shipping Tickets.

RCV/ebf

Sr Ital 2 Oct.
MIA LO LO 1945
Florence

1. Reference copy of attached communication.
2. Col. Rose has not received an answer to this request. You investigate and let me have an answer in order that I may advise the Colonel.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA LO
Florence

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Release of Clothing and Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr Sezione 2 Oct.
MIA LO Stacc. 1945
Florence Artigl.
ANCONA

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA LO
Florence

506

xxx 650

Clothing and Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.G. 2 Oct.
MMIA LO Terr HQ 1945
Florence # 7

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Q.M.C. FORM NO. 434
REVISED JAN. 3, 1935

REQUISITION

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Consignor's Vou. No. _____
Consignee's Vou. No. _____
Number of Sheets _____

CONSIGNOR: **Q 2 L 55**

DATE SHIPPED OR DELIVERED _____

Ship to -
MMIA LO FLORENCE

Authority or Req. No. _____

Transportation cost of \$ _____ Charge-
able to P/A No. _____

QUANTITY		STOCK NO.	ARTICLE	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
Ordered	Shipped					
1/2 Ton			Coal	Ton		
I certify that the above will be used for kitchen purposes by this unit. <i>R.C. Van Kirk, Jr.</i> R.C. VAN KIRK Major, Inf Sr. (MMIA) LO Florence						

ARTICLES LISTED IN COLUMN "ORDERED" HAVE BEEN RECEIVED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED IN
COLUMN "SHIPPED"

(NAME)

(RANK)

(ORGANIZATION)

REQUISITION

WAR DEPARTMENT
Q.M.C. FORM NO. 434
REVISED JAN. 3, 1935

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Consignor's Vou. No. _____
Consignee's Vou. No. _____
Number of Sheets _____

CONSIGNOR: **Q 5 L 55**

DATE SHIPPED OR DELIVERED _____

(20)

Ship to -
MMIA LO FLORENCE

Authority or Req. No. _____

Transportation cost of \$ _____ Charge-
able to P/A No. _____

QUANTITY		STOCK NO.	ARTICLE	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
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ARTICLES LISTED IN COLUMN "ORDERED" HAVE BEEN RECEIVED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED IN COLUMN "SHIPPED"

(NAME)

(RANK)

(ORGANIZATION)

XXX 650

Clothing and Equipment Report

Sr MMIA 28 Sep
MMIA EO 1945
Florence

1. Reference your Q/15/11 of 26 Sept 1945.
2. You were advised of Lot Numbers 4 and 6, reference our Ord/1/7 of 20 Sept 1945.

<u>Lot No. 4</u>	
Bags, wool	32,500 lbs
Bags, cotton	65,000 lbs
Shoes	2,500 prs

<u>Lot No. 6</u>	
Bags, wool	50,300 lbs
Bags, cotton	50,143 lbs
Shoes	3,006 prs

R.S. VAN NIX
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) EO,
Florence

xxx 650

Release of Clothing and Equipment.

REV/ebf

Sr Ospedale 28 Sept
MMIA LO Militare 1945
Florence PERUGIA

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

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Release of Uniforms and Equipment.

(15)
RCV/ebfSr MMIA LO 28 Sept
MMIA LO Bologna 1945
Florence

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

1500

xxx 650

Release of Clothing and Equipment.

14
RCV/ebf

Sr 1182 28 Sept
MMIA LO Sezione 1945
Florence auto-
ambulance
FIRENZE

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

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xx 650

Release of Clothing and Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr Ospedale 28 Sep
MMIA IO Militare 1945
FlorenceTerr.
MONTECLIVETO

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA IO
Florence

498

xx 650

Release of Clothing and Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.O. 28 Sept
MIA LO Degenti 1945
Florence nell'
Osped.
Mil.
di Livorno
LUCCA

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
or MIA LO
Florence

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) FLORENCE COMMAND
A. P. O. 732

4 C
27 Sept. 1945

Subject : Acceptance Notes - Clothing.
To : Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C. (M.M.I.A.) Rome.

Enclosed herewith No.2 Acceptance Notes for Material from Allied Sources from 7th Sorting Depot, Florence, numbered: Serial No.7th S.D./83 and Serial No.7th S.D./84.-

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. M.M.I.A. LO
Florence.

Enclosed : No. 2 Acceptance Notes No.83 and No.84
(in triplicate).

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(Pro-Forma MMIA/ORD/1)

ACCEPTANCE NOTE FOR MATERIAL FROM ALLIED SOURCES

RECEIVED AT 24 CORNING DEPOT

(1)	Date (2)	Description			Quantity (6)	Price (7)	Source	
		In Italian (3)	In English Nomenclature of Allied Owner (4)	Grade (5)			Name of Ship or other source (8)	Allied as British (9)
1	Sept 25	Stracci ted. cotone	German Bags Cotton	21 velgo	13360		U.S.F. 55	U.S.
2	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Bags Cotton	"	51		"	"
3	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Bags Cotton	"	57		"	"
4	"	Stracci ted. lana	German Bags wool	"	10698		"	"
5	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Bags Cotton	"	4906		"	"
6	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Bags Cotton	"	10595		"	"
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INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1). - This «Acceptance note» will be executed in quintuplicate.
Distributions: Original to HQ MMIA; 1st & 2nd copy to Ministry of War; 3rd copy to be retained by Italian Depot; 4th copy for Allied ORD Representative.
- 2). - Separate «Acceptance Notes» will be rendered for items received from British sources as opposed to U.S.A. sources vice versa.

Signature of Receiving Italian Officer

I Certify that the above described is
behalf of the Italian Army:

Date September 25, 1946 Name &

Command

Counter Signature of Allied Officer

Receipts and information as entered above

Date Name &

ACCEPTANCE NOTE FOR MATERIAL FROM ALLIED SOURCES

Appx «A» to
Amendment No. 1
Adj. Inst. No. 10

RECEIVED AT ALLIED DEPOTSerial No. 7th.5.3./84

Description			Quantity	Price	Source		Remarks
In English	Grade	Nomenclature of Allied Owner			Name of Ship or other source	Allied owner as British or USA	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Cotton	German	Tags Cotton	10000	10000	G-5 P 55.	U.S.A.	
Cotton	German	Tags Cotton	"	5100	"	"	
Cotton	German	Tags Cotton	"	5700	"	"	
Cotton	German	Tags wool	"	10000	"	"	
Cotton	German	Tags Cotton	"	4900	"	"	
Cotton	German	Tags Cotton	"	10000	"	"	

Signature of Receiving Italian Officer

I Certify that the above described stores were received by me on behalf of the Italian Army:

Date September 25, 1945 Name & Rank (V. Farnetti)

Commanding

Counter Signature of Allied Officer

Receipts and information as entered above are certified correct.

Date _____ Name & Rank Chautuk

be executed in quintuplicate.

A; 1st & 2nd copy to Ministry of
Italian Depot; 4th copy for Allied

will be rendered for items received
U.S.A. sources vice versa.

(Pro-Forma MMIA/ORD/1)

ACCEPTANCE NOTE FOR MATERIAL FROM ALLIED SOURCES

RECEIVED AT 4th SORTING DEPOT

	Date	Description			Quantity	Price	Source	
		In Italian	In English Nomenclature of Allied Owner	Grade			Name of Ship or other source	Allied or British
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1	Sept. 24.	Stracci ted. cotone	German Rags Cotton	Salvage	9042		Q-5 F 55.	U.S.A.
2	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Rags Cotton	"	4180		"	"
3	"	Stracci ted. lana	German Rags Wool	"	7964		"	"
4	"	Stracci ted. lana	German Rags Wool	"	8910		"	"
5	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Rags Cotton	"	2468		"	"
6	"	Stracci ted. cotone	German Rags Cotton	"	2472		"	"
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- 2). - Separate «Acceptance Notes» will be rendered for items received from British sources as opposed to U.S.A. sources vice versa.

Signature of Receiving Italian Officer

I Certify that the above described
behalf of the Italian Army:Date September 24, 1945 Name _____
Comma _____

Counter Signature of Allied Officer

Receipts and information as entered at

Date _____ Name _____

ACCEPTANCE NOTE FOR MATERIAL FROM ALLIED SOURCES

Appx «A» to
Amendment No. 1
Adj. Inst. No. 10

RECEIVED AT 7th SOVIET DEPOT

Serial No. 7th S.D./B.S.

Description			Quantity	Price	Source		Remarks
In English	Grade				Name of Ship or other source	Allied owner as British or USA	
Nomenclature of Allied Owner	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	
German Rags Cotton Salvage		lbs. 9042			Q-5 F 55.	U.S.A.	
German Rags Cotton	"	" 4180			"	"	
German Rags Wool	"	" 7964			"	"	
German Rags Wool	"	" 8910			"	"	
German Rags Cotton	"	" 14060			"	"	
German Rags Cotton	"	" 14170			"	"	

Signature of Receiving Italian Officer

I Certify that the above described stores were received by me on behalf of the Italian Army:

Date September 22, 1945 Name & Rank

Commanding

Counter Signature of Allied Officer

Receipts and information as entered above are certified correct.

Date Name & Rank

be executed in quintuplicate.

MIA; 1st & 2nd copy to Ministry of
by Italian Depot; 4th copy for Allied

will be rendered for items received
to U.S.A. sources vice versa.

7th SOVIET DEPOT
Bautin
May

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)

APO ~~XXX~~ 650 FLORENCE US ARMY

Subject: Clothing & Equipment

IND NO.	FROM	TO	DATE
	MMIA LO Florence	Ital LO	27 Oct 1945

Request you obtain for me a complete inventory of all clothing and equipment issued to TC.HR, 230 Division, since last May to present date.

R.C. Van Kirk
R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf
Sr. MMIA LO
Florence

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XXX 650

Issue of Clothing.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.O. 24 Sept
MIA LI Terr HQ 1945
Florence # 7

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA LI
Florence

1492

Q5L55

24 September 1945

2691 M.M.I.A. Co. Florence APO 650

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Gr MIA LO
Florence

Lignite..... 1 Ton 1 Ton
/////////////////LAST ITEM/////////////////

2691

Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr Ital 24 Sept
MMIA LO LO 1945
Florence

1. Reference attached communication.
2. Request you investigate and report.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

Release of Clothing

RCV/ebf

Sr C.G. 24 Sept
MMIA LO Terr HQ 1945
Florence # 6
Bologna

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

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61 QM Depot

20 September 1945

2691 MMIA Co. (Ovhd) Florence APO 782

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

Light Bulbs, (100 watt) 100 100
Last Item

8483

Clothing and Equipment.

RGV/ebf

Sr MMIA 21 Sept
MMIA IO 1945
Florence

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA IO
Florence

3487

2

Issue and withdrawal of clothing -- 210 Division

Ital IO Sr MMIA 6 Sept
G-4 IO 1945

Reference your request.

Alessandro Cicogna, Capt.
Italian Liaison Officer, G-4

2 Sr MMIA 21 Sept
 MMIA LO 1945
 Florence

1. Reference Colonel Kerr's memorandum 24 August to me and my buck slip of 27 August same subject.

2. Attached is the 210 Division's explanation for the large withdrawals during the last two months it was with 5th Army. As previously indicated I think the withdrawals were excessive but I know 5th Army had insisted that every man be well equipped to scale before he left and apparently they complied with orders by seeing that every man had a new outfit.

F.C. VAN KIRK, 186
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

Release of Clothing and Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.O. 21 Sept
HMIA IO Delegazione 1945
Florence Trans-
porti
6062
Enti
Dipendenti
Bologna

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr HMIA IO
Florence

485

Clothing and Equipment for 230 Division.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.G. 21 Sept
MMIA IO 230 1945
Florence Div.

1. Reference attached signal.
2. For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA IO
Florence

Application for Equipment.

RCV/ebf

Sr MIA MIA 20 Sept
LO LO 1945
Florence Bologna

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA LO
Florence

8483

Release of Clothing.

RCV/ebf

SP MMIA C.O. 20 Sept
IO Direzione 1945
Florence di
Artiglieri
Bologna

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
SP MMIA IO
Florence

Acceptance Notes -Clothing and Equipment

1 Sr. MMIA
LO MMIA 18 Sept. Enclosed herewith acceptance Notes
FLORENCE 1945 numbered Serial No. 7 SD/73, 7 SD/74,
7 SD/75, 7 SD/76, for material from
Allied Sources from 7th Sorting Det.,
Florence

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
FLORENCE

8481

Clothing and Equipment Workshops Activity.

RCV/ebf

Sr MMIA MMIA 18 Sept
LO 1945
Florence

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

8480

Clothing Issue to Italian Unit.

RCV/ebf

Sr MMIA CC 14 Sept
LO 230 1945
Florence DIA

Request you release to Col. Rossetti, Chief of Staff, 3rd Terr. Brigade, Florence, 10,000 dyed green Battle Dress in accordance with attached communications.

Since these Carabinieri are Br-Itis you should include these 10,000 in your monthly requests for clothing and equipment.

cc: MMIA

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MMIA LO
Florence

3479

Release of Clothing.

RCV/ebf

Sr MIA CG 16 Sept
IO 209 1945
Florence Ftr.
Ancona

For necessary Action.

R.C. VAN NIKK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr MIA IO
Florence

0478

Clothing and Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr
MMIA 27 Aug
LO 1945

1. Reference attached communication.
2. Have requested 210 Division to furnish me a complete list of the items of clothing and equipment which they drew from American sources in the last two months and when received will forward on to you. All issues to US-ITIS were stopped by the Army QM on August 7th and none has been made since that date.
3. The explanation for the issues of clothing which may appear abnormal, is that for a 3 months period, that is, for March, April and May 1945, no clothing was available at all for issue to US-ITIS and as a result during the months of June and July and up to August 7th when clothing was again made available by the Army QM, the demands were larger than are usually required for similar periods. Also 5th Army directed that every US-ITI being transferred to the British or to the Italian War Ministry be equipped up to scale for 5th Army didn't want the receiving British units or the Italians to be in a position to say that the men were not properly clothed and equipped when they left 5th Army.
4. When the report requested from 210 Division is received, I will compare it with the strength returns and make comment before I forward on to you.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome

29 August 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Major Van Kirk

We are continuing to receive vouchers for clothing issued to 210 Division. I have one voucher before me dated 4 August issued by Depot Q 5-34 on requisition No 9379.

I do not understand exactly what Fifth Army is doing with the few Italians left, considering that a large number of those now remaining on the Fifth Army account are actually BR-III's just awaiting transportation. They must be giving these soldiers a brand new set of equipment from the skin out.

Whenever Fifth Army gives these people clothing in addition to that which is absolutely necessary for their proper function, it means that the Italian Government is stuck as the clothing simply goes on the black market, and it is not a condition which we can consider healthy here. There is no use sticking the Italian Government because the actual loser is the United States. I wish you would look into the matter and ask Fifth Army to send all requisitions to you for screening. Maybe they will do this, and maybe they will not, but we will, at least, have made the attempt. Then I wish you would see that when the Italian soldiers are transferred from Fifth Army to other categories, they take only the authorized scale of clothing and that the balance is returned to Italian Army depots. Consult the Commanding General, 210 Division and ascertain what has happened to all of this clothing that has been issued in the last 60 days which is greatly in excess of that needed by the Division in operations. Let us see if we can't help poor old John Taxpayer in the United States a little bit. 476

CPK/lak

cc: Col Finks
G-4 Section, MTCUSA


C. P. KERR
Colonel, Infantry

1. 20 Aug 45 QM PBS Florence
Fortenza
da Basso
Director of
Artillery

Request attached shipping ticket #12311,
dated 20 August 1945, covering supplies issued
on DD 8001, be accomplished and returned to
this headquarters.

2 10 Sept Sr QM
1945 MMIA LO PBS
Florence

Have investigated this and my information now is
that the saddles described in the attached shipping
ticket are Italian Military equipment which were de-
livered to PBS by my HQ and came from Italian Military
stocks in Sardinia. It is my opinion that the signed
shipping ticket should be destroyed for the Italians
should not be charged with their own property.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LG,
Florence

cc: MMIA

Equipment

Sr MMIA 10 Sep
MMIA LO 1945
Florence

Suggest that this should be forwarded to PWB
for necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
Florence

8475

Translation

ITALIAN LIAISON OFFICE WITH MAIA - FLORENCE

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S.n.

6/10

Sept. 8th 1945

FILE

To: Territorial Hq. n.7

FLORENCE

Subject: Clothing reports.

This is to inform you that the Sr. MAIA LO
Maj. Van Kirk intends that the following reports be forwarded by your
Clothing Distribution Depot to this office:

- 1*) - Monthly - Clothing and equipment on hand at the end of
every month.
- 2*) - Daily - Daily clothing issue report.

The Italian L.O.
Sgd. Ist Lt. Apostoli A.

8573

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Clothing and Equipment

Sr MMIA 5 Sept
MMIA IO 1945
Florence

1. Reference your back slip of 23/6/45 and attached report.
2. For your information and necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) IO,
Florence

6472

Authorization Notice

Sr CO 4 Sept
MIA LO Detached 1945
Florence Arty
Sect
ANCONA

For your information and necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MIA) LO,
Florence

0471

Stock Report - 7th Sorting Depot

Sr MMIA 4 Sept
MMIA LO 1945
Florence

1. Reference attached report.
2. For your information.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) IO,
Florence

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Authorization Notice

Sr	CO	4 Sept
MMIA LO	22	1945
Florence	Remount	
	Depot	
	Fora	
	Sabina	

For necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
Florence

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COPY

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Italian Coal

RCV/jad

IND NO.	FROM	TO	DATE
	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	12 May 1945

The Army QM reports there are 200 tons of coal belonging to the Italian government in Verona. He is going to use it. His query is, how should it be accounted for?

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Italian Coal

INITIAL NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	6 June 1945	1. Reference your Q/1/15-W of 28 May. 2. It now develops it is German coal, so no accounting is involved with the Italian government. The Army QM regrets the inconvenience caused you and thanks you. R.C.VAN KIRK Major, Inf., Sr. (MMIA) LO, 5th Army

7487

Italian Coal

RCV/jad

Sr	Army	23 Aug
MMIA LO	GM	1945

On 9 August you asked me the following question:
"How is civilian coal paid for which the Army has received from civilian sources? What is meant by, "normal channels", as referred to in Para 4 of AFHQ directive AG 463.3/217 of 29 July 1945, copy attached? Query: What is the appropriate Italian agency to which such invoices should be forwarded for payment to the civilian individual or concern?". The answer I think is contained in attached copy of communication from my HQ.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Clothing - 6th Guard Regt

IND NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Ital LO G4	Sr MMIA LO	17 Aug 1945	1. 6th Italian Guard Regt, (formed by 511 and 512 I.G. Bns) is moving on the 18th of this month in the Florence area as by Fifth Army HQs orders (See G 3 cable 5827, dtd Aug 11). 2. Your attention is drawn on this fact in order that from now on all shipments of clothing and equipment for the above unit be made to Florence (Terr. HQS #7) and no more to Army Area. 3. It is understood that also the items released with Authorization Notices AQ ITI-ITI 506 and AQ ITI-ITI 677, which the Regt has not received yet, should be shipped to Florence. 4. 6th Guard Regt suggests, if it is possible, that the cotton shirts and trousers allotted with said Auth. Notices (para 3) be replaced with woolen items, since Autumn is getting near.

Alessandro Cicogna
Capt. Artillery
Ital L.O. G 4

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2	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	20 Aug 1945
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Forwarded for your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

6th Guard Regt. Clothing

1 Ital Sr 16 Aug
LO MMIA LO 1945
G-6

Attached is translation of letter that
this office has sent to 6th Guard Regt. as
by your verbal instructions.

G. CIGUERA, Capt.
Italian Liaison Officer,
G-4, Fifth Army

2 Sr Ital 19 Aug
MMIA LO LO 1945

Approved.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr (MMIA) LO
5th Army

462

Italian Coal

RCV/jad

Sr MMIA 9 Aug
MMIA LO attn: 1945
Col Rose

1. Reference attached correspondence.

2. Now a similar question is asked me by the Army QM, that is, how is civilian coal paid for which the Army has received from civilian sources? What is meant by, "normal channels", as referred to in Para 4 of AFHQ directive AG 463.3/217 of 29 July 1945, copy attached? Query: What is the appropriate Italian agency to which such invoices should be forwarded for payment to the civilian individual or concern?

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

463

Supplies from Italian Depots

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	6 Aug
MMIA LO	LO	1945
c/o	QM	

For your information and necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

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Clothing - 6th Guard Regiment

2 Sr MMIA 6 Aug
MMIA LO 1945

For necessary action.

3460
R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr (MMIA) LO
5th Army

E.F.I. Sups for Combat Gps.

RCV/ebf

Sr	Ital	6 Aug
MMIA LO	LO	1945
	QM	

For necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr (MMIA) LO
5th Army

461

Clothing for 6th Guard Regt.

RCV/ebf

Sr C.O. 1 Aug
MMIA LO6th Grd.1945
Regt.

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr (MMIA) LO
5th Army

1453

Italian Pack Saddles.

RCV/abf

SP. C-A 20 Jul
MMIA LOsupply 1945

Query: Can you give me the answer
on this?

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
or (MMIA) LO,
5th ARMY

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Material for 210 Division.

RCV/elf

Sr Ltal
NMIA LO LO

13 Jul
1945

For your information.

H.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Inf.,
Sr (NMIA) LO
5th Army

457

Loss of American Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	17 Jul
MMIA LO	LO	1945

1. Reference attached correspondence.
2. Request you secure the signature of the officer who signed the original memorandum receipt on the lines indicated for his signature.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

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Clothing for 6th Guard Regt

RCV/jad

Sr
NMIA LG

C.O. 17 Jul
1945

For your information and necessary action.

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rel.
Rgt.

S.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (NMIA) LG,
5th Army

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Clothing for 6th Guard Regt

2	Sr	MMIA	14 Jul
	MMIA LO		1945

Forwarded urging expeditious action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

Clothing and Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr (MIA) 6 Jul
1945

Forwarded recommending approval. Please expedite
movement forward of this clothing and equipment.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MIA) IC,
5th Army

1433

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Clothing for 6th Guards Regt

IND NO.	FROM	TO	DATE									
1	Ital LO	Sr MMIA LO	1 Jul 1945	1. Attached is for your information translation of a letter from Ministry of War to CG 210 Division regarding shipment of clothing for 6th Guards Regt. 2. 210 Division can't provide transport from Naples. 3. Following items of Authorization n.677 dtd May 30th are still in Naples: <table><tr><td>Drawers, cotton</td><td>1438</td></tr><tr><td>undershirts, cotton</td><td>1438</td></tr><tr><td>shirts, cotton</td><td>1438</td></tr><tr><td>trousers, cotton</td><td>719</td></tr></table> Alessandro Cicogna Capt, Artillery Italian LO G-4	Drawers, cotton	1438	undershirts, cotton	1438	shirts, cotton	1438	trousers, cotton	719
Drawers, cotton	1438											
undershirts, cotton	1438											
shirts, cotton	1438											
trousers, cotton	719											
2	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	3 Jul 1945	For necessary action. Movement of this clothing should be to the 210 Division Supply depots located at Modena marked for the 6th Guard Regiment. Please furnish me with the TTA. 8453 H.C.VAN KIRK Major, Inf., Sr. (MMIA) LO, 5th Army								

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Clothing

IND NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Ital LO G-4	Sr MMIA LO	27 Jun 1945	1. Attached is copy of requisition dtd 25 June 45 forwarded by 210 Div. to Ministry of War for clothing very urgently needed by 6th Guard Regiment. 2. Attached is also a clothing status report of subject Regt., as requested by you. 3. It is emphasized that, through a series of delay and misunderstandings, the Regiment has not been able to have it's April requisition approved. The items requested for that month have not been included in the next one, and the clothing situation of the outfit is very bad. It is therefore necessary to have this requisition forwarded, and the items requested shipped as soon as possible, thus meeting the present total requirements of the Guard Regiment.
				A. Cicogna, Capt Italian Liaison Offr. G-4
2	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	29 Jun 1945	1. Forwarded recommending approval. 2. Inviting your attention to the clothing status report which I demanded. 3.. Concur with Cicogna's remarks in Para 3.
				R.C. VAN KIRK Major, Inf., Sr. (MMIA) LO, 5th Army

Clothing for 6th Guard Re t

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 8 June
MMIA LO LO 1945

Inviting your attention to the 2d Indorsement.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
9th Army

430

Italian Coal

RCV/jad

Sr MMIA 6 June
MMIA LO 1945

1. Reference your Q/1/15-W of 24 May.
2. It now develops it is German coal, so no accounting is involved with the Italian government. The Army QM regrets the inconvenience caused you and thanks you.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

449

Pires for Col. Astorri

RCV/jad

Sr (MIA) LO 6 June
(MIA) LO Florence 1945

1. Reference attached letter from Major Glenn and copies of previous correspondence on the subject.
2. Please try and get some action out of the Italian HQ on the subject.

R.C. VAN RINK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MIA) LO,
5th Army

cc: Major Glenn

Individual Clothing and Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 6 June
MIA IO LO 1945

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MIA) IO,
5th Army

1463

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Request for Clothing and Vehicles for Terr HQ #4

RCV/jad

END NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Sr MMIA LO	G-4 ~~Exec~~ <i>Supply</i>	2 June 1945	1. Forwarded recommending disapproval. Am however, making a copy and forwarding to my HQ for necessary action. 2. Reference para 1 basic communication. Clothing requested is for Iti-Iti soldiers and should be requisitioned in prescribed manner from Iti sources. The clothing requested for Partisans should not be approved since they should be disbanded before final action can be taken, and also it was intended that they be supplied from such stocks. 3. Vehicles. The Territorial HQ needs the trucks but unless an emergency exists which I don't think does, the vehicles should be supplied from Iti or MMIA channels since this HQ is an Iti-Iti unit.  R.C. VAN KIRK Major, Inf., Sr. (MMIA) LO, 5th Army
	cc: MMIA			

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Clothing requisition for the 6th Guards Regiment

Ital LO Sr 1st June
G-4 MMIA 1945
 LO

Attached is copy of the requisition forwarded
by 210th Division to the Ministry of War.
Will you please recommend MMIA Rome approval?

A. Ciciogna, Capt
Italian Liaison Officer
G-4

2 Sr MMIA 2 June
 MMIA LO 1945

Forwarded recommending approval.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

Blankets or Comforters

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	2 June
MMIA LO	IO	1949

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MMIA) LO,
5th Army

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Animal Transport

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	30 May
MIA LO	LO	1945

For your information.

R. G. VAN KIRK
Major, Inf.,
Sr. (MIA) LO,
5th Army

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Appendix 'A'Estimated Future Animal Strengths.

	<u>CORR.</u>	<u>Army.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
SICILY	300	100	400
SARDINIA	400	400	800
BAEI	70	580	650
HALEP	80	520	600
ROMA	400	50	450
FLORENCE	250	50	300
BOLOGNA	100	400	500
TURIN	100	400	500
GENOVA	50	400	450
MILAN	50	400	450
VERONA	200	400	600
UDINE	100	300	400
EX-NTIN GUARDS		2,400	2,400
TOTAL	2,000	6,400	8,400

6 Guard Regt Clothing and Equipment

RV/jad

Sr	Ital	19 May
MMIA LO	L3	1945

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

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HEADQUARTERS
2695TH TECHNICAL SUPERVISION REGIMENT (OVER)
APO 464 U. S. ARMY

18 May 1945

SUBJECT: Charges against the Italian Ministry of War.

TO : NMIA Liaison Officer, Fifth Army, APO 464, U. S. Army.

1. Attached report of loss is forwarded under the provisions of Paragraph 12, Supply Directive Number 46, MTOUSA, dated 29 April 1945.

Shinslow
J. S. SHINSLAW,
Lt. Col., F.A.,
Commanding.

2 Incls.

Incl #1 - Extract copy of Memorandum Receipt.
Incl #2 - Requisition with attached papers.

1st Ind. RGV/jad
Sr. (NMIA) L.O., 5th Army, APO 464, US Army, 18 April 1945.
TO: Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (NMIA), APO 394, US Army.

For necessary action in accordance with MTOUSA Supply Directive #46
Italian Armed Forces, Paragraph 12, sub-paragraph c of 29 April 1945.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Tires

RCV/jag

Sr CG 14 May
MIA LO Terr HQ 1945
#1
Florence

1. The Legal Officer at Florence has complained that your Judge Advocate, Col. Astarri is not able to perform his duties properly because he is immobile. He needs tires for his automobile or an automobile that will run. Request that tires be furnished Col. Astarri.

2. The discipline of the Italian Army is an Italian Army responsibility and judging from the number of untried cases, it may be that this fact is caused partially by your Judge Advocate being immobile.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: PLO HQ Florence AM

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Tires for Col. Astarri

ROV/jad

Sr FLO 14 May
MIA LO HQ 1945
Florence
Province
AND

1. Reference your FL/34 of 11 May 1945.
2. Am making another demand for tires for Col. Astarri's automobile. See copy of attached buck slip sent to CG Territorial HQ #7.
3. The discipline of the Italian Army is a most important function and unless Col. Astarri is mobile, he can't accomplish much. Am advised that they have 200,000 untried cases in all Italy which is an unhealthy situation.
4. The Territorial HQ in Florence is still within my jurisdiction.

R.O. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Italian Pack Mule Companies.

IND. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	MEN/hbc
1	G-4 Rear	Ital LO Atten: Capt. Cicogna	9 May 1945	Request that you indicate what items on the attached list are still desired in view of pending disposition of Italian Pack Mule Companies. FOR THE AC OF S, G-4: MAX E. WARE Major, QMC Asst. G-4
2	Ital LO G4	G-4	11 May 1945	If Pack Mule Companies are no more to be employed as such, no item on the attached list is still desired. Alessandro Cicogna, Capt. Italian Liaison Officer, G-4
3	Sr MIA LO	MIA	14 May 1945	Inviting your attention to the previous indorsements. The material listed, therefore, should not be moved forward from Naples. R.C. VAN KIRK Major, Infantry Sr. (MIA) L.O., 5th Army

Italian Coal

RCV/jad

Sr NMIA 12 May
NMIA LO 1945

The Army QM reports there are 200 tons of coal belonging to the Italian government in Verona. He is going to use it. His query is, how should it be accounted for?

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

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Guard Bns

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 11 May
MIA LO LO 1945

1. Reference your file 6987/1 and copy of my back slip to C.O. 6th Guard Regt dated 6 Feb 1945.

2. The procedure as I understand it to be followed in the handling of requisitions for the Ita-Ita Gd Bns under U.S. command is for a consolidated requisition to be prepared by the HQ of the Guard Bns and forwarded to the Italian War Ministry, copy to me. These requisitions should be prepared at least monthly except in an emergency. They must be made out completely and correctly, giving the actual strength of the units, the amounts of equipment and clothing on hand and the amounts needed.

3. It is pointed out that Guard Bns under British command are supplied from British Division depots, but this does not concern the Guard Bns attached to 210 Division.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

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Equipment for Italian Pack Mule Outfits

DSV/jad

Sr
NSIA 10
NSIA 11 May
1945Att:
Col.
Karr

Reference attached buck slip to Italian L.O.

We do appreciate any information you have or may get from AFHQ on the possible future employment of the pack mule outfits. The needs of these units for equipment will be largely determined by the nature of their employment. In the meantime, it is my opinion that only maintenance items should be considered.

D.O. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NSIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: Ital L.O.

3434

Equipment for Italian Pack Mule Outfit

RNV/jnd

Sr Ital 11 May
WMA LO LO 1945

1. Reference attached communications for G-4 Supply and Army GH.

2. Suggest that you have Col. Berni canvas the situation with reference to clothing and equipment necessary for the maintenance only of the pack mule outfits and submit requisitions accordingly. Further suggest that you have the Colonel go over the attached list of pack mule material now in Naples and determine whether any of it should be moved forward. I appreciate that it is difficult to determine the needs of these units until we know how they will be employed. See copy of my memorandum to Col. Karr.

H.C. VAN KIBK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (WMA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: WMA

5433

Request for Delivery of Items

RCV/3ad

Sr 03 11 May
NWIA Terr HQ 1945
LA #7

Request that you deliver to 230 Division the 100 Brands
de Casomaggie which were located in their staging area at
Flavours.

R. C. VAN HINK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NWIA) L.S.,
5th Army

cc: 230 Div

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6 Sr Ital 9 May
MIA LO LO 1945

This requisition is not complete and my HQ will not
act on it until it is made out correctly.

8431
R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

2 Sr Ital 4 May
 MEMIA LO LO 1945

Request you furnish me with a copy of necessary requisition original having been forwarded to Italian War Ministry. Be sure that the requisitions are correctly made out.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MEMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

430

Shoes - 6th Guards Regt

RCV/jad

	Sr	Ital	4 May
4	MMIA LO	LO	1945
		G-4	

Inviting your attention to 3rd Ind. If any requisitions have not been filled, request you forward another copy or copies of the original. Please be sure that all requisitions are correctly completed before forwarding.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

485

Pack Tpt for 210 Div (Adm)

RCV/jed

Sr NMIA 1 May
NMIA LO 1945

1. Reference your O/18 of 27 April 1945.
2. Request you cancel the requisition for draft and riding horses since 5th Army has captured 4000 horses and don't want any more up in this area.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Attached

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	30 Apr
MMIA LO	LO	1945

For your information and necessary action.

R.C.VAN NIKK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

3428

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR (2)

FROM: MMIA

DATE 13 APR 45

SERIAL NO. AQ/ITI-ITI/462



AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

1. Reference MMIA LO 5th ARMY BUCK SLIP FILE L.O. 6231/4 of 30 MAR

ITALIAN

2. Authority is granted to issue the u/n items from ADJEX SOURCES

TO HQ 6 ITALIAN MINISTRY GUARD REGT. (ITI-ITI) (CAT 5)

Stationed at

5TH ARMY

Employed by

STOCK NO.

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE

AMOUNT

TROUSERS, DYED

124 ✓

CAPS

58 ✓

SHIRTS, FLANNEL DYED

280 ✓

SOCKS COTTON

495 ✓

LEGGINGS

300 ✓

CUPS

86 ✓

SPOONS

165 ✓

MESS KITS

56 ✓

CANTEENS

112 ✓

COLONIAL HELMETS (TOPERS)

600 ✓

3. Purpose of Issue TO EQUIP 300 REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED & REPLACING WORN OUT

CLOTHING

4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1 items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.

Stationed at

Employed by

5TH ARMY

STOCK NO.

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE

AMOUNT

TROUSERS, DYED	124 ✓
CAPS	58 ✓
SHIRTS, FLANNEL DYED	260 ✓
SOCKS COTTON	495 ✓
LEGGINGS	300 ✓
CUPS	36 ✓
SPOONS	165 ✓
MESS KITS	56 ✓
CANTEENS	112 ✓
COLONIAL HELMERS (TOPEES)	600 ✓

3. Purpose of issue TO EQUIP 300 REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED & REPLACING WORN OUT

CLOTHING

4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1. Items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.

5. Collection should be made on or before 13 MAY 1945, after which this Authorization becomes invalid.

6. REMARKS

DISTRIBUTION:

MMIA LO 5 ARMY (2)
MMIA ORD
FILE
LO NAPLES - 1

Pro Forma MMIA/ORD/2

For Major General
Military Mission Italian Army

A.C. Nov. 1944

2 Sr MMIA 27 Apr
MMIA LO 1945

Inviting attention to 1st Ind and basic communication. I recommend that the requisitions previously submitted covering these items be acted upon favorably.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

426

Horses

RCV/jad

Sr MIA 26 Apr
MIA LO 1945

1. Reference your Q/18 of 14 April 1945 and your Q/18 of 20 April 1945, copies attached.

2. The 75 horses draft for pulling carts and 7 horses riding were included in a requisition by 210 Division for 20th Italian Pack Mule Group, dated 26 March 1945, a copy of which was furnished me in accordance with MFOUSA letter AG 091.711/028 D-O of 4 Feb 1945 to CG Fifth Army and which copy I forwarded on to you. The 7 riding horses have already been supplied from American sources, so just the 75 draft horses on the requisition are needed now to pull the 75 carts you furnished 5th Army some time ago.

3. Reference attached 6375/17 interoffice correspondence and telephone call of 19 April relative to an additional 15 riding horses, 3 for each Pack Mule Bn in 210 Division. These 15 riding horses are needed as explained in attached correspondence. It has been demonstrated that it is more feasible for battalion officers to visit their units on horseback than by machine. This makes a total of 90 horses now wanted, 75 draft and 15 riding.

4. Request that this matter be expedited especially for the draft horses to move the carts.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
APO 462, TO ARMY

AWP/ind
23 March 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Material and Installations.

TO: + Distribution.

1. Your attention is invited to:

a. APM Circular 13 of 1 May 1944 which provides in part:

"1b. Italian Material. All Italian material belonging to all arms and services of the Italian ground forces and in the possession of the Italians at the time of the armistice is considered as Italian material and, except as otherwise directed by this headquarters is reserved for the use of the Italian Army under the direction of the Army Sub-Commission, Allied Central Commission."

b. APM Circular 23 of 6 December 1944 states:

- "1. Repeated instances have been reported of Allied troops removing material, supplies or stores from Italian Military Depots without proper authority. This is a violation of paragraph 1b, APM Circular 13 of 1 May 1944.
2. No material, equipment or stores will be removed from any Italian Military Depot, factory, or Italian Military organization, by units or individuals of this command without express written authority of one of the following Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission at Rome:
 - a. For stores from Italian Army Depots, Land Forces Sub-Commission (LFC).
3. The above does not provide the right of operational commanders to take such use of the above mentioned as may be necessary for operational reasons only.
4. The appropriate Sub-Commissions, Allied Commission, will post notices in Italian Depots, covering these instructions.
5. All commanders are directed to publish these instructions to members of their command, and to take appropriate action on any violations."

c. S.A.F. Instructions, Fifth Army, Section B-1123, dated 7 December 1944 provide in part:

c. AFHQ Circular 13 of 3 May 1944 which provides in part:

- 1b. Italian Material. All Italian material belonging to all arm and divisions of the Italian Ground Forces and in the possession of the Italians at the time of the armistice is considered as Italian material and, except as otherwise directed by this headquarters is reserved for the use of the Italian Army under the direction of the Joint Sub-Commission, Allied Central Commission.
- b. AFHQ Circular 20 of 9 December 1944 states:
 1. Repeated instances have been reported of Allied troops receiving material, supplies or stores from Italian Military Depots without proper authority. This is a violation of paragraph 1b, AFHQ Circular 13 of 1 May 1944.
 2. No material, supplies or stores will be removed from any Italian Military Depot, factory, or Italian Military organization, by units or individuals of this command without written authority of one of the following Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission at Rome:
 - a. For stores from Italian Army Depots, Land Forces Sub-Commission (AFHQ).
 3. The above does not abrogate the right of operational commanders to make such use of the items mentioned as may be necessary for operational reasons only.
 4. The appropriate Sub-Commissions, Allied Commission, will post notices to Italian Depots, covering these instructions.
 5. All commanders are directed to publish these instructions to members of their command, and to take appropriate action on any violations.
 - c. AFHQ Circular 13 of 3 May 1944, dated 7 December 1944 provide in part:
 2. Restricted areas as listed below are reserved for special purposes (e.g., civilian rehabilitation, army service shops, manufacturing for military use, etc.) and will not be considered by the Army Engineer (Base Estate) for general occupancy without special investigation.
 - d. Installations belonging to the Italian Armed Forces.

4. A.C.I. letter 2010/12/02 dated 1 July 1944 of which the following are extracts:

Incidents have occurred (particularly in 1943) and other daily occupied localities) where property, transport and materials belonging to the Italian Forces have been removed from them without proper authority and when the operational need for such action no longer existed.

In future no buildings, real estate, transport or other materials belonging to the Italian Armed Forces, or in the possession of effective units of the Italian Army, Army or Air Force, will be occupied, requisitioned, seized or made use of without prior reference to this HQ.

The Italian Commanders concerned have been authorized to place notices on their property indicating the ownership. These notices will be respected.

5. A.C.I. Memorandum, 160/12/11 of 19 Aug 1944, provides in part:

1. This constitutes a full authority for the Italian Armed Forces to collect all vehicles and other war material originally held in charge by them.

2. Every assistance should be given to the Italian Armed Forces in their efforts to maintain themselves by the salvaging and collecting into Depots of war material scattered throughout the country.

3. MCA Signal 123463 of 26 December 1944 provides in part:

Reparative that prompt and effective action be taken to prevent further dissipation of these vehicles and to insure that they are returned to Italian Army in their present operating condition, also to regularize this matter of principle throughout this theater.

4. 15th Army Group Signal 562 of 27 December 1944 to CG Fifth Army follows:

Your attention is invited to MCA cable 412463. It is directed that necessary action be taken to obtain for Hqs. referred to vehicles with least practicable delay and that this line be advised of resultant action.

1. O. VAN NICK,
Major, Infantry,
Gr. (MCA) L.O.,
5th Army

Distribution: 13 Necessary

The Italian Commanders concerned have been authorized to place notices on their property indicating the ownership. These notices will be respected."

6. A.C. Memorandum, 350/11/CA of 10 Aug 1944, provides in part:

1. This constitutes a full authority for the Italian Armed Forces to collect all vehicles and other war material originally held in charge by them.

2. Every armistice should be given to the Italian Armed Forces in their efforts to maintain themselves by the seizing and collecting into depots of war material scattered throughout the country."

7. With Signal 422453 of 26 December 1944 provides in part:

Explanative that prompt and effective action be taken to prevent further disposition of these vehicles and to insure that they are returned to Italian Army in their present operating condition, also to regularize this matter of principle throughout this theater."

8. 15th Army Group Signal 542 of 27 December 1944 to 15th Army follows:

"Your attention is invited to 15th Army Signal 422453. It is directed that necessary action be taken to obtain for 15th Army referred to vehicles with least practicable delay and that this may be viewed of resultant action."

Distribution: As Necessary

cc: 15th Army

Lt. Col. Van Wert,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (USA) L.O.,
15th Army

Issue of Summer Clothing

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	21 Apr
MIA	LO	1945
LO		

For your information and necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8422

Subject: Materials

1 Ital LO Sr MIA Apr 19
G-4 LO 1945

1. Reference interoffice from MIA to you W/5/1274 dtd 23 March 1945.
2. Information about withdrawal by 210th Division of materials listed in above sheet follows:
 1. 6 pyramidal tents have not been withdrawn pending 5th Army authority.
 2. Material listed as available at "Virgilio" Military Hospital has been drawn and issued to medical units.
 3. Material listed as available at the Commissariat Depot in Rome have not been drawn because:
 - a. inexistent (cots and lanterns)
 - b. not yet arrived from Bari (containers and cans)
 4. "Milano" tents are not yet arrived
 5. "Giannoli" stove is not arrived.

/s/ A. Ciciogna, Capt.
Italian LO G-4

2 Sr MIA 20 Apr
MIA LO 1945

Reference your W/5/1274 of 23 March 45.

For your information.

1421
R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Horses

RCV/jad

Sr MMIA 19 Apr
MMIA LO 1945

1. Reference your Q/18 of 14 April, copy attached.

2. The 75 horses draft for pulling carts and 7 horses riding were included in a requisition by 210 Division for 20th Italian Pack Mule Group, dated 26 March 1945, a copy of which was furnished me in accordance with MFOUSA letter AG 091.711/028 D-O of 4 Feb 1945 to CG Fifth Army, which provides in part:

"4. A copy of each requisition will be furnished to MMIA Liaison Officer, Fifth Army."

Fifth Army Adm. Dir. #63 of 8 Feb 1945 provides in part:

"4b. 210th Infantry Division (Italian) will edit requisitions on facts known to them and forward approved requisition through Italian channels to Italian War Ministry, one copy to the MMIA L.O. with Fifth Army."

3. Col. Kerr through Col. Shipley instructed me verbally to forward the copies of requisitions received by me in accordance with the above directives to MMIA immediately and to telephone the requests for items having a high priority. I have done so in each instance. I don't remember telephoning this particular request as you suggest in your letter but may have or someone else may have telephoned your HQ with reference to it.

4. Reference your request for an explanation as to "why this demand was not made in the normal way", I submit that in view of the above directives that it was. You tell me to "please elucidate". The requisition provided that the draft horses were needed for pulling the carts which your HQ furnished the 20th Italian Pack Mule Group some time ago. The requisition also provided that the saddle horses were to be used by the officers of the HQ of the Pack Mule Group. This request for saddle horses was made after approval had been obtained by G-4 Fifth Army since it has been demonstrated in the forward areas that it was more feasible for the officers to visit the front line units on horseback than by machine.

5. If all the horses requested are not available, request you send what are available.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Attached

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	18 Apr
MMIA	LO	1945
LO	o/c	

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

3419

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR (2) DATE 14 APR 45
FROM: MMIA SERIAL NO AQ US-ITI/35

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

- 1 Reference 210 DIV REQUISITION
2 Authority is granted to issue the items from ~~Italy~~ ITALIAN SOURCES
TO 210 DIVISION ITALIAN (US-ITI) (CAT 3)
Stationed at FLORENCE
Employed by 5 ARMY

STOCK NO.

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE

ENGINEER ITEMS

PICKMATTOCK W/HANDLE	221
AXE, HANDLE CHOPPING SINGLE BIT W/HANDLE	102
SHOVEL, INTERRENCHING	237
LANTERN, KEROSENE	36
SHOVEL, GEN, PURPOSE LONG HANDLE	30

Q.M. ITEMS

CASE, CANVAS DESPATCH	45
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3. Purpose of issue TO EQUIP REORGANIZED UNITS OF 210 DIV, MULE PACK AND VET UNITS
4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1. Items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued
14 MAY 1945, after which this Authorization becomes invalid.

STOCK NO.

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE

ENGINEER ITEMS

PICK-AXE W/HANDLE	221
AXE, HANDLE CHOPPING	102
SINGLE BIT W/HANDLE	237
SHOVEL, IMPERINCHING	36
LANTERN, KEROSENE	30
SHOVEL, GEN. PURPOSE	
LONG HANDLE	

Q.M. ITEMS

CASE, CANVAS DESPATCH

45

448

3 Purpose of issue TO EQUIP REORGANIZED UNITS OF 210 DIV, MULE PACK AND VET UNITS

- 4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.
- 5. Collection should be made on or before 14 MAY 1945, after which this authorization becomes invalid.
- 6. REMARKS MMIA LO NAPLES WILL TURN OVER TO PENNSOUTH FOR ONWARD ROUTING TO 5 ARMY

DISTRIBUTION:

MMIA LO (2)
MMIA ORD
FILE

Pto Furns MMIA/ORD/2

/s/ F.A. Cole, Maj
For Major General
Military Mission Italian Army
30 Nov. 1944

Italian Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr MIA 17 Apr
MIA LO 1945

1. Reference MTOUSA letter of 4 Feb 1945, AG 091.711/028 D-O, subject: Reorganization of Italian Units.

2. Attached appendices A and B are drawings of Italian wood burning stoves which have been issued to US-III troops and oil burning stoves which are presently being used in lieu thereof.

3. It is pointed out that the Italian wood burning stoves which have been issued from stocks found in Florence are not practical, not economical, too heavy and cannot be efficiently used in these forward areas. These stoves are too burdensome to be moved by the 5th Army Italian units in a mobile situation and with the transportation facilities available. The stoves will of necessity have to be left behind and stored at Fortezza Da Basso, Firenze.

4. These stoves only have a relatively small door to the fire pot. As a result, only small pieces of wood or coal can be put into the stove. Such kindling wood or coal is difficult to obtain and much less economical than fuel oil which is now being used in the burner described in appendix B.

5. It is considered therefore that the Italian stove described above and in appendix A is not a suitable substitute for a field range and that no more should be issued to units in this area. Further suggest that G-4 MTOUSA be notified that field ranges are not available from Italian stocks for forward units and the ones that have been issued should be replaced.

347
R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: G-4 Exec

Subject: Clothing for 6th Guard Regiment

1 Ital Sr MIA 16 Apr
LO G-4 LO 1945

MIA Authorization Notices AQ/45/ITI/263 and AQ/ITI-ITI/462 don't fill up the request forwarded to you; shortages are as listed below:

Shelter clothes	30
Pins for tents	600
Poles for tent	600
Suits HET	150
Mackinaws	92
Undershirts, wool	124
Drawers, wool	75
Gloves, heavy leather	300

What listed above is needed badly to supply replacements received without the same : could you please ask to MIA their assignment to the 6th Guard Regt?

/s/ A. Cicogna, Capt
Italian Liaison Officer, G-4

2 Sr MIA 17 Apr
MIA LO 1945

Your attention is invited to the 1st Ind. I recommend approval for the issuance for all the above items except mackinaws and woolen underwear.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

0416

7th Compagnia Di Sanita

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	14 Apr
NOIA LO	LO	1945

For your information and necessary action.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NOIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8415

Release of items to Recovery Comm #21

REV/jad

Sr Terr 11 Apr
NMIA LO HQ 7 1945

You are authorized to release to the Recovery Commission No. 21 the items indicated in the attached list.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: NMIA

Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 13 Apr
MIA LO LO 1945
o/o QM

For your information and necessary action.

R.C. VAN WIERK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

5413

Equipment for Reorganized Fifth Army Units

RCV/jad

Sr Itel 10 Apr
MMIA LO LO 1945
a/c QM

Attached is for your information and guidance.

R.O. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8412

Italian Hospital Tents

RCV/jad

Sr MMIA LO 9 April
MMIA LO Br Incr 1945

Am advised that the following Italian Auxiliary
Hospitals has tentage which is not being used:

Hospital 470	Size 9 x 11	4 tents
" 866	" 9 x 11	8 "
" 576	" 9 x 11	4 "
	Total	16

Lt. Col. W.A. Haggie, ADMS of MMIA has approved the
issuance of 8 of these tents to the 231 Division and
8 to the 210 Division.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

11411

SUBJECT: Issue of Clothing on Repayment.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) ROME
Q/15/1
6 April 1945

TO: MMIA LO 5 Army

1. Reference your letter dated 4 April 45.
2. Please confirm that the uniforms requested by the officers contained in your list are Italian uniforms, and are required on repayment.

/s/ F.A. Cole
Major
For Col. DA & QMG
Land Forces Sub Commission

1st Ind.
Sr. (MMIA) L.O., 5th Army, APO 464, US Army, 9 April 45.

RGV/jed

TO: Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA), APO 394, US Army.

It is confirmed that the uniforms requested are Italian uniforms and will be paid for by the officers purchasing them.

R.C. VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

3410

Loss and Request for Padlock

RCV/jad

Sr CO 7 Apr
NMIA LO 2695 1945
Regt

1. While in Rome on Sunday Apr 1, my driver Pfc. Wilentz left the C&R WD20171051 assigned to me, in the Super Garage, some person unlocked the rear end door of the C&R and removed my PX rations and some C rations and then re-locked the door.

2. I drew one padlock while in your city and put it on the steering wheel, I need two more, one for the rear end of the C&R when I visit Rome and the other for the Box in which I keep the NMIA files. Both the C&R and file box have hasps, now I need 2 padlocks. Please don't tell me the way to solve my problem is to stay away from Rome.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

0409

Clothing & Equipment for 7th Compagnia di Sanita

RCV/jad

Sr MMIA 6 Apr
MMIA LO 1945

For necessary action. This unit is in a serious condition as to clothing and equipment and the request should be expedited. This unit and the replacements sent up for it were not properly clothed or equipped when sent to this area.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

2408

Requisition of equipment for ITI-ITI

RCV/jad

2 Sr NMIA 30 Mar
NMIA LO 1945

For necessary action. These items, especially clothing, are urgently needed and if some of the clothing can be replaced in kind, it may be that I can get G-4 to issue these items and then repay the US-ITIS when your clothing is received.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry
Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Subject: Request for Excess Equipment

2695 G-4 27 Mar
TS Fifth 1945
Regt Army

1. Request special authorization for 60 pyramidal tents to be issued to the 302nd It Engr Maint Co, 303d It Engr Depot Co, and the 304th It Engr Depot Co. These organizations are organized under TO/E 5-47 and 5-157 Modified Italian. No tentage is on hand in either of these companies. The Parent unit for these organizations is the 303d Engr Depot co.

2. All three Companies are working in the Engr. Dump E-2-37, where they are also billeted. The men live in an old factory which is crowded, unsanitary and dark. Unfortunately, one of the new companies, the 304th, is being organized in the Depot to train it under such unfavorable conditions.

3. If the request for tents is granted, I propose to issue them on the scale of 20 per company (200 men) which together with about 10 huts made from shelter halves now in each company will make a satisfactory tent camp for the company. A good site is available adjacent to the depot and once the men are in hand, I expect to see real improvement in these companies.

/s/ J.S. Winslow.

2 Sr MMIA 28 Mar
MMIA LO 1945

G-4 will not approve the issue requested. Query: Are any tents available for this purpose?

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.
5th Army

Attached

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 27 Mar
MVA LO LO 1945
c/o QM

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MVA) L.O.,
5th Army

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TO: MINISTRY OF WAR (2)
DATE: 25 March 1945
FROM: MMIA
SERIAL NO. AQ 63-401/26

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

1. Reference 210 Division Requisition
2. Authority is granted to issue the w/o items from ALLIED SOURCES
TO 210 Division
Stationed at Florence
Employed by 6 Army

<u>STOCK NO.</u>	<u>STANDARD NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	Blanket, Saddle - Company Soltosella	700
	Brush, Horse Bristle - Bulache di setola	8,051
	Halter w/cord - Cavessa di Corda	245
	Halter, Headpiece Stable - Cavessa da Scuderia San Frontale	3

0404

- 3 Purpose of issue Equip Reorganized Units of 210 Division
- 4 In compliance with para 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.

1854

Stationed at Florence

Employed by 5 Army

<u>STOCK NO.</u>	<u>STANDARD NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	Blanket, Saddle - Cocarda Saltosella	700
	Brush, Horse Bristle - Lunatico di matoia	3,031
	Halter w/lead - Covezza di corda	243
	Halter, Handpiece Stahlia - Covezza da Scuderia Car Frontale	3

0404

3. Purpose of issue Equip. Reorganized Units of 219 Division
4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1. Items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.
5. Collection should be made on or before 25 April 1945 after which this Authorization becomes invalid.
6. REMARKS MMIA LO Naples will turnover to Pensouth for onward routing
to 219 Division (Italian) 5 Army

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MMIA LO Naples (2)
MMIA ORD
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Pensouth
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PRO FORM 5MMIA ORD 2 MMIA LO 5 Army

[Signature]
For Major General
Military Mission Italian Army
A.C. Nov. 1944

Attached

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 27 Mar
MMIA LO LO 1945

For your information.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8-403

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR (2)
DATE 25 MAR 45
FROM: MMIA
SERIAL NO AQ 13-111/25

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

1. Reference 210 DIV REQUISITION
2. Authority is granted to issue the u.n items from ALLIED SOURCES
TO 210 DIVISION (ITALIAN) 5 ARMY (GERMAN/ITALIAN)
Stationed at FURBERG
Employed by 5 ARMY

STOCK NO. STANDARD NOMENCLATURE AMOUNT

Trunks	16
Shoe Repair Sacks complete - Collo per Riparazioni Calzolino	30
Chest Record Fiber - Cassette per Cancellaria	16
Clippers, Hair - Macchinetta per taglio Capello	44
Lanterns Kerosene - Lanterne petrolio	45
Lamps field N.T. - Lanterne da Campo NF	80
Cooking pots - Marmitte da Campo 16 L.	25
Dispatch Cases - Tascche di canapa per lettura	85
Tent Milano Complete - Tenda Milano Completo	1
Tent Camouflage Officers - Tenda mimetica per Uff.	19
Bicycles - Bici	30
Kits, sewing tailor - Colla per riparazione Vestiario	30
Tente Corp Complete - Tende P. Com. Corpo complete	11
Dispatch Case - Tascche di tela per lettura	10
Cooking Pots - Marmitte da Campo con Coperechie	27
Prying Pan W/Handle - Padella con Manico	27
Skinner - SCHIUMAI	27
Forks Large - Forchettoni	27
Coffee Grinders - Macinelli per Caffè	27
Machines duplicating - Duplicatoi sqda	4
Cookware Mobile - Cassette di cottura	170
Desk, Field, Fiber 21 - Casse Scrittolo	12
Stands for Desks - Cavalletti	15
Stools - Sedili	15

5402

3. Purpose of issue to equip reorganized Italian units of 210 DIV

4. In compliance with para 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.

5. Collection should be made on or before 25 April 1945, after which this Authorization becomes invalid.

Stationed at

Employed by

STOCK NO.

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE

AMOUNT

Trumpets	15
Shoe Repair Sacks complete - Colli per Riparazioni Calzolino	30
Chest Record Fiber - Cassette per Cancelleria	15
Clippers, Hair - Macchinette per taglio Capello	44
Lanterns Kerosene - Lanterne Petrolio	45
Lamps field K.F. - Lanterne da Campo	30
Cooking pots - Marmitta da Campo 15 l.	25
Dispatch Cases - Tasche di carta per lettura	35
Tent Milano Complete - Tenda Milano Completo	1
Tent Camouflage Officers - Tenda Camouflage per Uff.	19
Bicycles - Biciclette	30
Kits, sewing tailor - Colli per Riparazioni Vestiario	90
Tents Corp Complete - Tende P. Com. Corpo complete	11
Dispatch Case - Tasche di tela per lettura	10
Cooking pots - Marmitta da Campo con Copercchia	27
Frying pan w/Handle - Padelle con Manico	27
Skimmer - SCHIUMATORI	27
Forks Large - Forchettoni	27
Coffee Grinders - Macinelli per Caffè	27
Machines Duplicating - Duplicatori acqua	4
Cookware Hobble - Cassette di cottura	170
Desk, Field, Fiber HQ - Casse Scrittolo	12
Stands For books - Cavalletti	10
Stools - Sedili	15

403

- Purpose of issue - to equip reorganized Italian units of 210 Div
- In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.
- Collection should be made on or before 25 April 1945, after which this authorization becomes invalid.
- REMARKS - MMIA 10 Vaples will turn over to Pensouth from Depot 201 for onward routing to 210 Div (IFI) 5 Army.

DISTRIBUTION

MMIA 10 VAPLES (2)
MMIA ORD
FILE

Pensouth

210 5 ARMY 1
FOR MMIA/ORD/21

For Major General
Military Mission Italian Army
A.C. Nov. 1944

Attached

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	24 Mar
MMIA	LO	1945
LO		

Reference attached communication.

Request you furnish me the necessary information when available in order that I may comply with this directive.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry ,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8401

Attached Authorization

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	18 Mar
MMIA LO	LO	1945

For your necessary action.

R.C. VAN BIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

COPY

COPY

SUBJECT: Equipment for New QM Bns.
and QM Companies (Italian)

LAND FORCES SUB COMM A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
Q/89-10
16 March 1945

TO : MMIA LO Fifth Army

Ref. is made to requisition of 210 Inf Division (Italian) dated
3 March 1945.

1. Attached hereto is a letter from Engineer HQ. (Italian) Rome
authorizing the withdrawal of 22 field kitchens for the 210 Division (Italian).
2. These field kitchens are to be collected in Florence and are in
lieu of Range, Field M-1937, 2 units.
3. Kindly transmit this authorization to the section concerned and
inform this headquarters when the items have been received by the 210th
Division (Italian).

/s/ Frederick R. Clark
/t/ FREDERICK R. CLARK, Capt
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

8393

Ref No 5733/4

Attached Requisition

1. G-4 Sr 11 Mar
Italian MMIA 1945
Liaison LO

1. Attached is requisition from 210th Div for 170 containers, round, Italian.

2. Said figure includes 140 containers required by 210th Div w/letter 1943/Comm dtd 6 March 1945 and 30 more containers which are considered necessary to improve Pack Mule units.

/s/ A. Cicogna
/t/ ALESSANDRO CICOONA,
Captain, Artillery
Italian Liaison Officer
G-4 Fifth Army

2 Sr LFSCAC 14 Mar
MMIA LO (MMIA) 1945

For necessary action. Items listed should be assigned to 210 Division (Italian), Via Tripoli 7, Firenze.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8398

2 Sr LFSCAC 9 Mar
Ref No. DMIA LO (MIA) 1945
2

Query: Are any chains for halters available from
Italian sources?

8397
R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

2 Sr M.I. 7 Mar
MIA L.O. Chief 1945
CIC
5 Army

1. The Carabinieri referred to in basic communication are Iti-Itis and their equipment is the responsibility of the Italian government, not the United States. They should submit requisitions through their channels, copy to me, for necessary clothing and equipment to equip them to authorized scale.

2. Finance Guards mentioned are not members of the Italian Armed Forces, are civilian in character and are not entitled to military clothing, equipment or rations.

cc: MIA

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

03:6

Attached Copy of signal

RCV/jad

Sr Ital 9 Mar
MMIA LO LO 1945

For your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

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MMIA LO Rear HQ & Army.

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

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TO (FOR ACTION): REAR EIGHT ARMY
 FIFTH ARMY FOR BR ENCH
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 54 AREA
 52 AREA
 53 AREA

TO (FOR INFO): FREEDOM FOR Q/AR
 DISTWO

REF NO: Q/OS/85

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (..) SUBJECT IS GREEN CLOTHING FOR BRITH SERVICE TFS (..) SCALE
 WILL BE TWO PAIRS KD SLACKS AND ONE BUSH SHIRT ISSUED SHORTLY FOLLOWED LATER
 BY SECOND BUSH SHIRT (..) DISTRIBUTION WILL BE THROUGH ADM DIV'S ON DATE
 DECIDED BY ALLIED COMD (..) ISSUE TO DIVS WILL BE MADE SHORTLY (..) INSTRUCC-
 TIONS FOR ITI-ITI AND BNS UNDER EIC COMD WILL FOLLOW (..) INSTRUCTION RE
 DISPOSAL OF GREEN BATTLE DRESS LATER (..) COMBAT FORCE EQUIPPED BY ORD BR
 THROUGH BR CHANNELS (..) ALL INFORMED

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION

COPY BY POST ALL MMIA LOs
 Q/AR

8294

Equipment for Italian Military

RCV/jad

Sr LFCAC 7 Mar
MMIA (MMIA) 1945
LO

Reference attached communication and telephone conversation Ward-Van Kirk.

Request you consign the items listed to 210 Division, Via Tripoli 7, Firenze. If you can't arrange movement forward, furnish me the location of these items, weight, cubic space and I will request 5th Army Transportation to initiate the movement.

B.G. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

5393

300 Work Gloves for Italian Troops

RCV/jad

Sr G-4 3 Mar
MMIA LO Supply 1945

Reference conversation Dickinson-Van Kirk.

The gloves referred to can be put on shipping ticket
and charged to the Italian government.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: MMIA

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Military Equipment List

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	2 Mar
MMIA	LO	1945
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For your information.

R.G. VAN KIM,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: G-4 Supply

6391

Artillery Saddles - 42 Bardatura a basto d'Artigliera

RCV/jad

Sr. CO 26 Feb
MMIA 13 Deleg 1945
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Reference telephone conversation Kerr-Van Kirk this date.

You are authorized to release 42 Bardatura a basto d'Artigliera Artillery saddles for six 75mm guns to the 210 Div for the 5th Pack Mule Co, attached to the 10th Mountain Div. Am advised these saddles are now located at Fortezza Da Basso, Firenze.

Request release be expedited.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) I.O.,
5th Army

cc: MMIA

G-4 Supply

Attached Requisition

RCV/jad

Sr LFSCAC 24 Feb
MMIA LQ (MMIA) 1945

In conformity with verbal instructions from your HQ, and Adm. Dir. #63 HQ 5th Army, para 4b of 8 Feb 1945, attached copy of requisition is for your necessary action. Am advised, however, from your offices that this requisition may be a duplication and that the equipment listed is already enroute from Bari to Naples.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

2483

Attached Copies of Releases

RCV/jed

Sr Ideal. 22 Feb
MMIA LO LO 1945

Attached copies for transmission to 210 Division
Clothing Dump for their information. I have requested
transportation for all these items.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

0388

Equipment for Iti-Iti Vet Hospitals

RCV/jad

Sr C-4 7 Feb
MMIA LO Supply 1945

QM

For your information. Attached lists indicate items of equipment available for 110, 130 and 212 Italian Vet Hospitals, and items not available.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

3387

Attached Copy of Letter (Gao Banks)

RCV/jad

Sr Col 9 Feb
SMIA LO Stp 1945

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Attached for your information.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (SMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

386

SUBJECT: Gas Masks for 5 ARMY.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
H. O. M. E.
AC/15/1
7 February 1946.

TO : Ministry of War.

1. You are directed to select immediately from Magazzino Chimico, Aquaviva delle Fonti, Apulia; 12,000 serviceable gas masks. These masks will be packed and shipped to Naples where they will be turned over to PMS for onward transmission to 5 Army for use by Italian troops. All crates should be clearly marked "For Italian Troops, 5th Army".
2. Comando Militare, Bari should notify MMIA LO Bari the expected time of arrival of the masks in Naples so that he may pass this information to MMIA LO Naples.
3. MMIA LO Naples will conclude arrangements with Peninsular Base Section for the transfer of these masks.
4. Authorization Notice AC/ITI-ITI/132 covering the release of the masks is enclosed.
5. Advise this Headquarters when masks have been selected ~~and~~ ^{and} shipped.

RTM Wareham

RTM WAREHAM, Major
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

RTNW/ag

Copy to: MMIA LO Bari (for action para 2)
MMIA LO Naples (for action para 3) (less Authorization).
MMIA LO 5 Army (less Authorization)
GRD Records.

2 Sr LFSCAC 15 Feb
 MMIA LO (MMIA) 1945

1. Reference basic communication and 1st Ind.

2. Under date of 7 December 1944, the following shortages were reported to the Italian War Ministry and repeated to you in attached signal:

Shirt, wool, dyed	222 each
Drawers, wool, long	170 "
Undershirt, wool	187 "
Mackinaws	106 "
Towels	850 "
Leggins	50 "
Shoes	15 "
Socks, wool	1750 "
Comforters	850 "

These items are still required, see copy of letter attached from C.O. 511 Guard Bn. You will note that instead of 850 comforters originally requested, 631 blankets were received in bad condition.

3. Request that these items be released and consigned to 210 Division for 511 Guard Bn, Via Tripoli 7, Firenze.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Clothing and Equipment

RCV/jad

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XXXXX
Sr LFSCAC 15 Feb
MMIA LO (MMIA) 1945

1. Reference your AQ/15/1 of 31 January 1945,
Subject: Equipment Iti-Iti Units.

2. In conformity with your instructions contained in above letter, copies of attached requisitions are submitted for necessary action.

3. This clothing and equipment should be consigned to 210 Clothing Dump for the units indicated, Via Tripoli 7, Firenze.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8383

Transportation for Clothing and Equipment.

RCV/jed

Sr 5 Army 22 Feb Request that movement forward from the Italian Depot,
MMIA LC Trans 1945 Naples be arranged for the following items:

Towels	5.43	762	4.12
Raincoats	75	448	1530
Gloves, wool	37.1	1333	385
Haversacks	.12	90	270
Shoe Strings	3.5	1345	38
Spoons	1.02	250	26
Forks	1.2	1345	110
Canteens	6.48	450	418
Shelter Halves	90	900	770
Meat Tins	15	110	170
Cups	17.4	320	250
Blankets	21.2	430	2000
Tent Pins	144	1800	3600
Hoods for Gentries	17	448	258
Pillboxes	75	754	754
Undershirts, wool	70	583	950

to 210 Clothing Dump, Via Tripoli 7, Firenze, for 6th Guard
Regt. Reference AQ III-III/223 of 20 Feb 1945.

Further request that the following items also be moved
forward from the Italian Depot Naples:

Blouses, BD Dyed	37.1	300	600
Trousers, BD Dyed	72.2	711	2700
Boots	176	160	920
Drawers, wool	8	160	124
Shirts, wool	9	243	243
Caps, wool	1.7	220	40
Socks, wool, light 22	22	2235	390

1099.25 18634
to 210 Clothing Dump, Via Tripoli 7, Firenze for 6th Guard
Regt. Reference AQ/45/III/136 of 19 Feb 1945.

Any further necessary information or assistance may be
obtained by contacting our MMIA LC Naples, Tel. No. 53622.

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R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Italian Pack Mule Equipment

RCV/jad

Sr G-4 6 Feb
 NMIA LO Supply 1945

Our NMIA LO at Naples reports that the 7 cars of
 pack mule equipment are moving forward consigned to 5L52
 PBS.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
 Major, Infantry,
 Sr. (NMIA) L.O.,
 5th Army

2 Feb
 6 Feb

Officer Cloth Pails - 15
 Carts, various types - 3
 Harness, packsaddle - 10
 2-Wheeled Carts - 4
 Harnesses, shaft - 12
 Harnesses, reinforcing carts - 17
 " " - 3
 Harness, packsaddle - 28
 Bristle brushes - 120
 Ropes, forage w/ring and bolster - 35
 Small cushions f/wounds - 110
 Cloth Pails - 25
 Bags f/cleaners - 85

8381

Attached Letter

RCV/jad

Sr C.O. 6 Feb
MIA LO 6th 1945
Guard
Regt

1. Attached is for your information and necessary action.

2. Attention is directed to statement that Guard Bns "serving in Army areas will be generally clothed and equipped the same as Br-Iti or US-Iti troops in the same area".

3. Request that you forward to me requisitions for necessary clothing or equipment to bring you up to scale, and for any additional items which are listed in Col. Kerr's letter that you need. Be sure and show quantity of each article on hand, quantity required and your authorized and actual strengths.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

4380

MEMO TO Rear HQ 5 Army.

Subject: Equipment of ITI-ITI Units.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(W. M. I. A.) R.O.H.E.
A/15/1

31 Jan 1945

To: ALM MIA Lcs.

1. Our authorized ITI-ITI units, including guard battalions, are not being as well taken care of as our resources permit. For instance, we are, and have been making strenuous efforts to equip the IS-ITI and US-ITI Categories to scale plus other items which we know will be useful to them in their work, and as a result, we have our ITI soldiers without barracks stores and personal equipment and clothing which would make them more comfortable and increase their efficiency.
2. There are a large number of items available in Italian warehouses which are not shown on the authorized scale of issue, such as additional blankets, gloves, mattresses, pillboxes, barrack stores, field packs, goggles, boots for sentries, raincoats, and fatigue clothing. All of these items are controlled by this Headquarters.
3. It is desired that a survey be made of ITI-ITI units (except Guard Bns serving under British Command which are now drawing from My Sub-Depots) and that requisitions be submitted direct to this Headquarters for such stores, clothing and equipment as are desired and which may be available. The controlling factor will be that ITI-ITI troops serving in any area will be generally clothed and equipped the same as IS-ITI or US-ITI troops in the same area. We must eliminate the complaint that ITI-ITI troops do not have sufficient shoes and clothing in order to function properly. In such cases the liaison officer concerned will assure that the requisition does not contain articles which are already on hand in the unit or which would be increasing the scale of those items which are limited by the authorized scale.
4. Requisitions should be in this Headquarters not later than 15 February and must, in all cases, show the exact designation of the unit and the strength authorized and actually present.

/s/

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel,
for Major General,
W. M. I. A.

Copy to: 1/13 MIA
1/13 MIA
ORD MIA

8379

Attached letter

RCV/jad

Sr Italian 31 Jan
MIA LO LO 1945
QW

Copy of letter attached for your information.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8378

SUBJECT: Issues - non-expendable items
to Italian Military.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/2/15-26
29 January 1945

TO : MMIA LO 5th. Army

1. Reference your buck slip of 25 January 1945, concerning the issue of pack saddles, bridles, halters, etc, issued to the Italian troops under 5th. Army control from U.S. stocks.

2. These items will be issued in accordance with existing AFHQ Directives, that is, on a loan basis to the Italian Military, through the immediate employing agencies on memorandum receipt.

Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri

8377

Clothing or Equipment Charges.

RCV/jad

Sr LFSAC 31 Jan
MIA LO (MIA) 1945

Reference your AQ/2/16-259 of 20 January 1945. The 210 Division has sent me the attached. This is in variance with the 50% figure given me by you over the telephone a few days ago. The prices the Italians are charging the soldiers for losing this equipment is about 10 times the actual cost. Can't determine whether the high prices they charge will be a deterrent to the loss of their clothing or an incentive to steal ours.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

8276

Clothing or Equipment lost or damaged.

RCV/jad

Sr	Ital	30 Jan
WMIA	LO	1945
LO	ON	

You asked what figures should be used in charging the Italian soldier with American clothing or equipment lost or damaged through his negligence, the answer is 50% of the list price, which money when collected is of course paid into Italian sources since the clothing or equipment has already been charged to the Italian government. If the items are repairable, then it is considered that 35% of the list price is a fair figure and should be adopted by Italian authorities.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (WMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: G-4 Supply
WMIA

Ref. your AG/2/16-259 of 20 Jan 45.

0075

Items manufactured locally by civilians

RCV/jad

Sr LFSCAC 25 Jan
MMIA LO (MMIA) 1945

1. Reference your AQ/2/15-21 of 19 January 1945.

2. G-4, 5 Army have already put the provisions of Paragraphs 2 and 3, your letter into effect. The Supply Section wants to know whether pack saddles, bridles, halters etc, purchased locally or issued from U.S. stocks should be placed on a loan basis or put on a shipping ticket. At present time, 5 Army considers such items the same as mules and is putting them on a loan basis.

R.O.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Request Transport of Clothing

RCV/jad

Sr 5th 27 Jan
MMIA LO Army 1945
Trans

Request that 400 Italian blankets be moved from Depot #591 Naples to 210 Division, Via Tripoli 7, Florence for the 512 Guard Bn. These blankets are urgently needed. Any additional information may be obtained from the MMIA LO, Major Smith. Telephone 53622 Naples, Room 84, Fifth Floor, Provincia Bldg, Naples. MMIA Release #AQ/ITI/ITI 37 of 22 January 1945 refers.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

4373

Attached Letter

RCV/jad

Sr G-4 24 Jan
WIA LO Supply 1945
and
Italian
LO

In answer to your recent inquiry, I have obtained
the attached reply.

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (WIA) L.O.,
5th Army

SUBJECT: Items manufactured locally for issue to
Italian troops assigned to Fifth Army.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/2/15-21
19 January 1945

TO : MMIA LO Fifth Army

1. Reference your Buck-Slip regarding items manufactured locally to be issued to the Italian troops serving with Fifth Army.
2. If the items are manufactured locally by civilians, and cash is expended by Allied employing agency for the items, the items will be accounted for on Shipping Ticket to this office; showing all information at hand to enable us to correctly charge the amounts to the Italian Government.
3. Mules will be considered the same as transport, that is, on a loan basis. They will not be charged to the Italian Government.

Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri

8371

Clothing and Equipment

REV/jad

Sr CO 24 Jan
MMA 210 DIV 1945
LO

1. Reference MMA letter AG/2/16-259 of 20 January 1945, not to you.

2. Items of individual clothing or equipment which are lost or damaged through the negligence of any Italian soldier, he should be made to bear the expense of the items lost or damaged the same as American soldiers are required to do. This could be easily accomplished by statements of charges or reports of survey just as the American soldier's payroll is handled.

3. Request that you let us have your Finance Officer's recommendations on how this suggestion can be accomplished, or the system you are now employing to have the Italian soldiers account for items which may be lost or destroyed due to his own negligence.

cc: MMA

RCV
R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMA) L.O.,
5th Army.

5870

Clothing and Equipment for 512 Guard Bn

RCV/jad

Sr
WETA
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Ital
IO

24 Jan
1945

1. The following items of clothing or equipment have been released and have been received, enroute or are awaiting movement forward:

AQ/45/ITI/4 of 3 January 1945

Blouses	50
Trousers	250
Boots	300
Socks, cotton	1000
Towels	600
Undershirts, wool	1000
Underdrawers, wool	1000
Leggins	600

AQ/ITI/ITI/5 of 3 January 1945

Handkerchiefs	600
Pullovers	594
Paillassis	600

AQ/ITI/ITI/37 of 22 January 1945

Blankets, field or substitute	400
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2. Request that you advise me when these items have been received and also the scale on which each of your soldiers is now equipped, including particularly the number of blankets or comforters each has.

3. Any delay in filling future requisitions promptly, or movement forward after release is made, should be reported to me promptly.

R.O. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (WETA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: 512 Guard Bn

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Attached letter

RCV/Jad

IND. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE
	Sr MMIA LO	Ital LO	18 Jan 1945
	Ital L.O.	Sr MMIA L.O.	20 Jan 45

For your information and return for my files.

R.C. Van Kirk
 R.C. VAN KIRK,
 Major, Infantry.
 Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
 5th Army

210 Div has received the helmets to-day.

A. Cicogna
 A. CICOGNA
 Capt; Art;
 Italian LO,
 G-4, 5 Army.

3363

URGENTSubject:- Transport Instruction

ST/1023

16 Jan 45.Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (ALIA).,
ROME.
tel: Rome 489064 EXT 526.To: Ufficio Automobilismo, S.M.R.E.Copy: L.O. Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (ALIA)., ←
Rear 5 Army.

1. Confirming telephone Lt. Col. ALOIA - Major Papineau on 16 Jan 45.
2. Please arrange to place 2 X Autocarri Pesanti (from 82 Autocorpo Pesante) at immediate disposal of Tn. Col. NABISSI, Direzione Commissariato, Ministry of War.
3. These trucks will be required to deliver Italian Helvets for 210 Division to a destination at MONTECATINI and proceed from there to collect Dye for delivery to Naples.
4. Details of loads, calling points, responsibility for protection etc., will be arranged by Direzione Commissariato, who will also provide representative(s) to accompany the vehicles.


(O.C. PAPINEAU).,
Major RASC.
for Lt. Col.

OCE/JHD

ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (ALIA).

Internal:- 4(AE)

INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Clothing and Equipment for 512 Guard Bn of 6th Guard Regt

RCV/jad

REF. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE
	Sr MMIA LO	G-4 Trans	19 Jan 1945

Request that the following items which are available at "Direzione Commissariato", Naples, be moved to Via Tripoli 7, Firenze:

Jackets	50
Trousers	250
Shoes	300
Socks	1000
Towels	600
Shirts, wool	1000
Drawers, wool	1000
Leggins	600

Any further information may be obtained by contacting Major Smith, MMIA LO. Telephone 53622 Naples.

R.C. Van Kirk
R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Equipment for Carabinieri

RCV/jad

Sr
MIA
LO

G-4 18 Jan
1945

Equipment described in basic communication is not
available from Italian sources.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MIA) L.O.,
5th Army

6265

Clothing for 512 Guard Bn

RCV/jad

Sr LFSCAC 16 Jan
MMIA (MMIA) 1945
LO

1. Reference your A 61/471-11/12-4 and telephone conversation of 15 January 1945, Shipley-Van Kirk, 512 Guard Bn.

2. The release referred to above was for the 511th, and not the 512th Guard Bn. The Colonel of the 512th now says his men have no winter underwear and in addition to the underwear requested on the attached requisition, need the other items listed thereon, to bring them up to scale.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

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Equipment

RCV/jad

XXX
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Sr LFSCAC 13 Jan
MMIA LO (MMIA) 1945

1. Query: Should items of equipment for the Italian Pack Mule outfits which are not available from Italian or American sources and are purchased or manufactured locally for 5th Army, be put on a shipping ticket and forwarded to you to be charged to the Italian War Ministry? Query: Should mules which America buys and issues to the Italians be charged to them or are the mules the same as transport and on a loan basis?

R.C. VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

Attached Requisition for Italian Helmets

RCV/jad

XXX
XXXX
Sr LFSCAC 11 Jan
MMIA LO (MMIA) 1945

1. For necessary action. 1 copy for your files and three for Italian War Ministry.

2. Request that transportation for these helmets be arranged from Rome by train to Montecatini-Q05825 where 5th Army Transportation will move to HQ 210 Div.

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Subject: Helmets

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2	~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ Sr MMIA LO	CG 210 Div	9 Jan 1945	Request you make out a new indent or requisition, making no reference to old release for 1000 helmets specifying need for helmets. Within 48 hours from this date, the helmets will be made available in Rome. It will be necessary that 210 Div or 5th Army arrange transport. At the time that arrangements are made for transportation, the requisitions should be sent to Rome with the transport, but at least one copy of the requisition should be brought to me for my endorsement, recommending approval. <i>R.C. Van Kirk</i> R.C. VAN KIRK, Major, Infantry, Sr. (MMIA) L.O., 5th Army <i>Telephone Cap Borgmuller</i> <i>In the event you find any interest in medical equipment & etc. we put a further job order out to get you on it.</i> 6381

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