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WEAPONS FOR THE ARMY - ON 13.9.46.
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Per il B.L.U.

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OGGETTO

- 1) Soluzioni municipali italiane
- 2) municipiamente italiani per di. aut.
- 3) municipiamente italiani per di. aut.

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OGGETTO

- 1) *Sottogoverno municipale italiano*
- 2) *municipiamente italiani pieno diritto*
- 3) *municipiamente italiani pieno diritto*
- 4) *municipiamente italiani pieno diritto*

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COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI ROMA
Ufficio Servizi - I^a Sezione

OGGETTO: Dotazione munizioni italiane.8^o Reggimento Fanteria:

- per fucile o moschetto (2164) : 100 colpi per arma
- per pistola (34): 28 colpi per arma
(completamento in corso)
- per moschetto automatico Beretta: 250 colpi per arma
(completamento armi e munizioni in corso con prelievo a Verona)
- per fucile mitragl. Breda 30 (96): 922 colpi per arma
- bombe a mano: 2 per uomo (4322)
- cartucce a mitraglia: 18.000

Compagnia Speciale Granatieri:

- stesse dotazioni del Rgt. Ftr. in relazione all'armamento per precedente organico di 255 uomini (ora 145):
- armi: 6 pistole - 207 fucili - 12 fucili mitr. Breda 30 - moschetto aut. Beretta 36 - bombe a mano 522.

Enti territoriali: (Quartier Generale - Distretti - Depositi) hanno tutti le seguenti dotazioni:

- fucile o moschetto: 100 colpi per arma
- bombe a mano: 2 per uomo (eccetto enti che hanno dotazioni speciali)

Servizi : per fucile o moschetto:
bombe a mano :

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72 colpi per arma
2 per uomo (eccetto trasporti amministrativi)

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Hanno dotazioni speciali:

Depositi e Distretti: - 2 fucili mitr. Breda con 100 colpi per arma
- 30 bombe a mano

Stabilimenti vari: - 2 o più fucili mitragliatori o mitragliatrici
con relativo munizionamento (1000 colpi per
arma) per difesa.

8° Plotone Guardie: - 3 moschetti automatici Beretta con 250 colpi per
arma.

8° Reparto Riparazioni: - 14 moschetti automatici Beretta con 200 colpi
per arma.

Compagnia Motociclisti: - 16 pistole Beretta con 28 colpi per arma
- 12 moschetti autom. Beretta con 100 colpi per arma

Battaglione Trasmissione: - 14 pistole Beretta con 28 colpi per arma
(compresa Comp. Marconisti) - 14 fucili mitragl. Breda 30 con 922 colpi
per arma.
- 4 mitr. Fiat 35 con 1.050 colpi per arma

1ª Compagnia Trasporti Speciali:

8ª Compagnia Trasporti Amm/vi:

ciascuna :

- 12 moschetti automatici Beretta
con 100 cartucce per arma
- 16 pistole 10,35 Beretta con 28
colpi per arma
- 100 bombe a mano.

R.A.M.: 4 fucili mitragliatori Breda con 922 colpi per arma,

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COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI ROMA
Ufficio Servizi - I^a Sezione

OGGETTO: Munizionamento italiano disponibile presso la Direzione Art.

	<i>Shant rifle 6.5 mm.</i>	<i>Shant L M A</i>	
Cartucce a pallottola per armi 91 calibro 6,5	}	1.535.312	
Cartucce a pallottola per fucile mitragliatore Breda 30		536.847	
Cartucce a pallottola per armi calibro 7,35 - <i>modified .91.</i>		23.200	
Cartucce a pallottola mitragliatrice Breda cal. 8 e Fiat 35	!	137.700	
Cartucce a pallottola per pistola		==	(16.220 già impegnate)
Bombe a mano		44.125	

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COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI ROMA
Ufficio Servizi - I^a Sezione

OGGETTO: Munizionamento britannico presso il C.A.R. al 15 maggio 1946.-

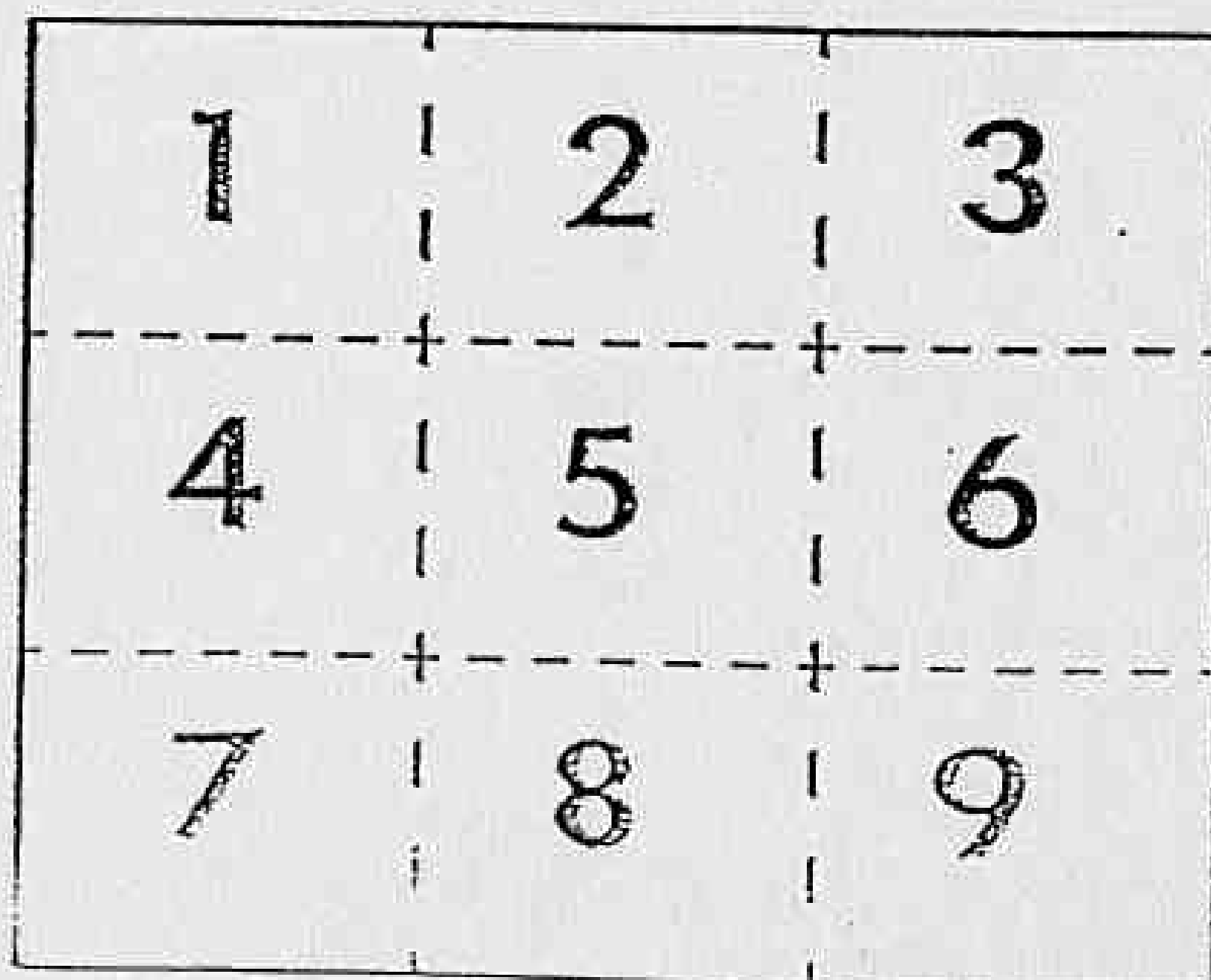
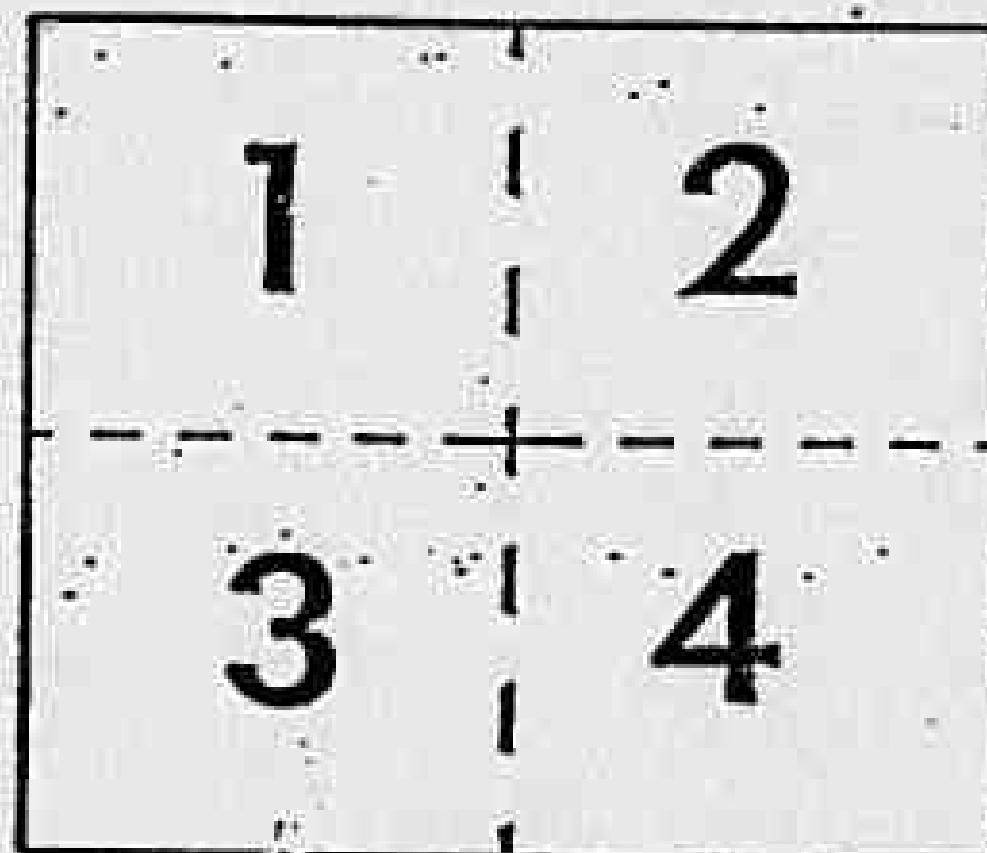
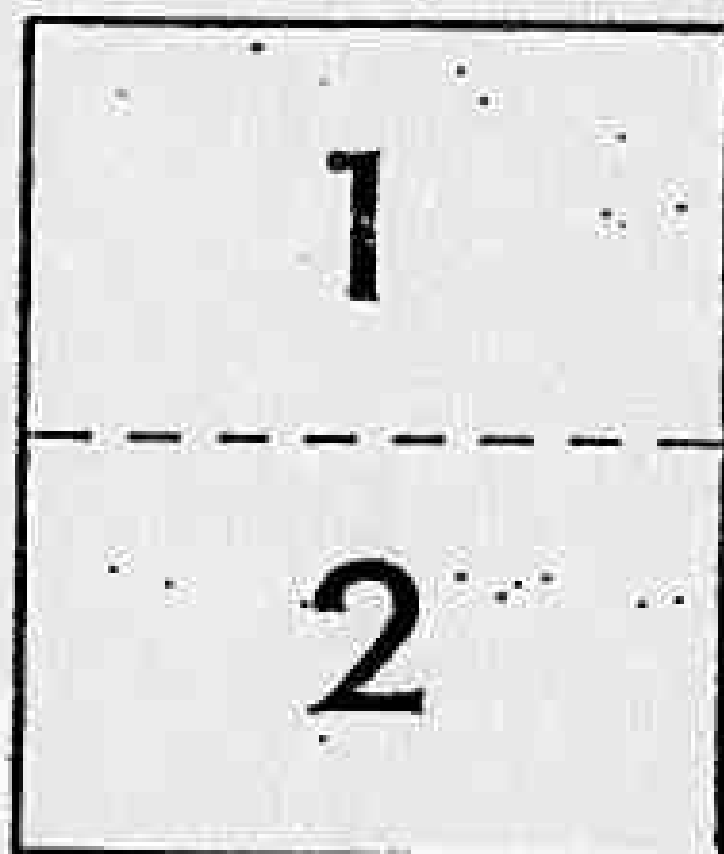
A r m a	esistenza	prevedibile consumo	rimanen za	fabbisogno per O.P.	richiesta
fucile f.m.Bren	375.000	150.000	225.000	175.000	-
c.a. Sten	1.200	-	1.200	40.000	40.000
Mortaio 2 p.	1.027	400	627	-	-
PIAT	890	-	890	-	-
Bombe dif.	1.800	-	1.800	-	-
Bombe off.	-	-	-	7.500	7.500
Pistola 38	1.345	-	1.345	3.345	2.000

Le 40.000 cartucce per carabina automatica Sten sono state richieste allo S.M.R.E. dall'Ufficio O.A.O.M., così pure le 7.500 bombe italiane.

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MAPS AND CHARTS TOO LARGE TO FILM
ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



ER/bc

SCUOLE CENTRALI MILITARI R O M ASITUAZIONE MUNIZIONI ALLEATE ALLA DATA DEL 15.5.1946

D e n o m i n a z i o n e	Scuola di Ftr. dispon. a disp. per la del Scuola C.M.S.M. Cesano di Roma		S.C. O.V.A. Civita- vecchia	Scuola Artigli. Braccia no	Scuola Artieri Civita- vecchia	Scuola Colleg.ti Cecchigno la	Scuola Mot/ne Cecchigno la
Cartucce a pall.cal.7,7 per fucile inglese e Bren	341.615	668.500	8.569	93.650	322.737	1.485	34.204
Cartucce a pall.cal.7,7 per fucili traccianti	34.695	88.516	3.077	877	5.562	=	=
Cartucce per moschetto autom. Thompson	47.340	90.000	208	40.400	141.975	1.800	=
Cartucce per pistola cal. 0,380	, 1.000	=	733	537	720	=	87
Bombe a mano da 36	8.691	3.061	=	465	9.303	=	42
" " " " 69	519	800	=	177	2.056	=	=
" " " " 77	2.122	5.096	=	215	1.197	=	1.112
" " " " 82	=	106	45	=	=	=	=
" " " " 83	29	83	44	=	=	=	=
Cartucce per mitra Browning	=	=	=	=	=	=	=

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(1) Sono in arrivo le munizioni per completare le dotazioni delle 15 autoblindo in carico alle

GENERALI MILITARI ROMA

ALLA DATA DEL 12.5.1946

Scuola Tagli. Accia	Scuola Artieri Civita- vecchia	Scuola Colleg. ti Cecchigno la	Scuola Mot/ne Cecchigno la	Scuola Polizia Roma	Scuola Serv. e Ass. Rieti	Scuola Autoblindo Tor di Quin- to	Totali
650	322.737	1.485	34.204	=	900	=	1.471.660
877	5.562	=	=	=	=	=	132.887
400	141.975	1.800	=	7.200	=	10.000	338.923
537	720	=	67	630	=	=	3.107
465	9.303	=	42	=	=	=	21.562
177	2.056	=	=	=	=	=	3.552
215	1.197	=	1.112	=	=	=	9.742
=	=	=	=	=	=	=	151
=	=	=	=	=	=	=	156
=	=	=	=	=	=	80.000 (1)	80.000

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ni delle 15 autoblindo in carico alla Scuola Autoblindo.

Subject : Disposal Allied Ammunition.



LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.H.I.A.)
TOL. 475103

G. 131

30 May 46

TO : Ministry of War.

1. Reference your 32715/6514 and 32715/6515 of 6 May 46 and your 33117/6738 of 10 May 46.

2. The ammunition reported in your letter, quoted above, is not required by Allied Forces and you are authorized to assume responsibility and arrange for its disposal.

(Authy : 3 Dis OSA/4002(200) of 24 May 46).

3. It is pointed out that this ammunition has not been inspected for safe condition by any Allied officer and you are therefore *advised* to take whatever precautions you consider necessary.

4. The following points should be noted in connection with disposal :

(A) POLISH Artillery Directorate

(i) The cartridges of all Mortar Bombs must be removed and destroyed before any attempt is made **1340** any components prior to final destruction.

(ii) Loose fuses for Shell and Aerial Bombs should be destroyed without salvage of components.

(iii) All mines must be destroyed without salvage of components.

(B) Various Containers from AMZIO to APHILA.

(i) Phosphorus Grenades must be destroyed without salvage of components.

(ii) As for (i) above - Cartridges of Mortar Bombs;

2. The ammunition reported in your letter, quoted above, is not required by Allied Forces and you are authorized to assume responsibility and arrange for its disposal.

(Amby : 3 DIS OR4/4000(200) of 24 May 46).

3. It is pointed out that this ammunition has not been inspected for safe condition by any Allied officer and you are therefore *advised* to take whatever precautions you consider necessary.

4. The following points should be noted in connection with disposal :

(A) BOLAGNA Artillery Directorate

(i) The cartridges of all Mortar Bombs must be removed and destroyed before any attempt is made **1340** any components prior to final destruction.

(ii) Loose fuses for Shell and Aerial Bombs should be destroyed without salvage of components.

(iii) All mines must be destroyed without salvage of components.

(B) Various Components from AMBIO to AREA 11A.

(i) Phosphorus Grenades must be destroyed without salvage of components.

(ii) As for (i) above - Cartridges of Mortar Bombs

(C) FLORENCE Artillery Directorate

(i) As for A(i) above - Cartridges of Mortar Bombs

(ii) All Grenades must be destroyed without salvage of components.

Copy to : 6 B.L.U.
: 7 B.L.U.
: 8 B.L.U.

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R.A. Curtiss

R.A. CURTISS,
Lt Col. RA.
for Major General
M.F.I.A.

8 British Liaison Unit

SUBJECT: Ammunition Scales - Italian Inf Divs.

B.I.U.	HOME
G II	<i>glyfak</i>
A/O	

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MMIA)

SD/39/2

13 May 46

TO : LIST 'B'

1. Herewith at Appendix 'A' Amn Scales for Italian Infantry Divisions.
2. These scales are based on War Office Staff Amn Tables.

MW/jw

Internal: G(Trg)
Q (Six)
RE
Sigs
ORD
CC.RR Section
SD/109/3

Major General
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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App. A to S

Serial	UNIT	.38 Rev Mk II	.303 Mk VII Bdr Rifle	7mm para STEN	.303 Mk VII Ctn BREN	.303 Mk II TRACER	.303 Mk VIIIZ INCENDIARY	.303 Mk VII SI Belt MG
1.	Inf Div HQ 1st LINE	702	13950	15360	-	-	-	-
2.	Inf Div HQ 2nd LINE	234	3720	5760	-	-	-	-
3.	Recce Bn 1st LINE	3222	28200	18688	68200	18600	6200	44000
4.	Recce Bn 2nd LINE	1074	7520	7008	27280	7440	2480	6000
5.	Inf Regt HQ 1st LINE (2)	720	42300	19968	13200	3600	1200	-
6.	Inf Regt HQ 2nd LINE (2)	240	11280	14976	5280	1440	480	-
7.	Inf Bn 1st LINE (6)	3456	399500	251904	316800	68400	28800	384000
8.	Inf Bn 2nd LINE (6)	1152	106320	94392	126720	34560	11520	72000
9.	Fd Arty Regt 1st LINE	990	26175	81408	19800	5400	1800	-
10.	Fd Arty Regt 2nd LINE	330	13960	27136	7920	2160	720	-
11.	A tk Regt 1st LINE	630	11450	66816	29700	8100	2700	-
12.	A tk Regt 2nd LINE	210	9160	22217	11880	3240	1080	-
13.	LAA Regt 1st LINE	486	13750	66432	50600	13800	4600	-
14.	LAA Regt 2nd LINE	162	11000	22144	20240	3240	1080	-
15.	Engr Bn 1st LINE	396	3400	25344	28600	7800	2600	-
16.	Engr Bn 2nd LINE	132	13600	8448	11140	3000	1040	-
17.	Sigs Coy 1st LINE	252	24300	20736	6600	1800	600	-
18.	Sigs Coy 2nd LINE	84	12960	6912	2640	720	240	-
19.	S & T Coy 1st LINE	252	6500	30720	22000	6000	2000	-
20.	S & T Coy 2nd LINE	84	-	7680	8800	2400	800	-
21.	Mech Engrs W/S 1st LINE	108	6400	8704	4400	1200	400	-
22.	Mech Engrs W/S 2nd LINE	36	-	2176	1760	480	160	-
23.	Mech Engrs Pl 1st LINE	18	1200	3328	3300	900	300	-
24.	Mech Engrs Pl 2nd LINE	6	-	832	1320	360	120	-
25.	LAD Type "A" 1st LINE	-	350	896	-	-	-	-
26.	LAD Type "A" 2nd LINE	-	-	224	-	-	-	-
27.	LAD Type "B" 1st LINE	18	300	896	-	-	-	-
28.	LAD Type "B" 2nd LINE	6	-	224	-	-	-	-
29.	Med Sec 1st LINE	184	-	-	-	-	-	-
30.	Med Sec 2nd LINE	78	-	-	-	-	-	-
31.	Fd Hosp 1st LINE	90	-	-	-	-	-	-
32.	Fd Hosp 2nd LINE	30	-	-	-	-	-	-
33.	OPP 1st LINE	90	1850	5632	4400	1200	400	-
34.	OPP 2nd LINE	30	-	1408	1760	480	160	-
35.	FS Sec 1st LINE	18	50	1408	-	-	-	-
36.	FS Sec 2nd LINE	6	-	352	-	-	-	-
37.	TOTAL DIV 1st LINE	11632	579675	618240	567600	136800	51600	428000
38.	TOTAL DIV 2nd LINE	3894	189520	221889	227040	59520	19880	78000
39.	TOTAL DIV 1st & 2nd LINE	15526	769195	840129	794640	196320	71480	506000

NOTES: (a) If APCBC is not available APC may be issued in lieu. (b) HE issued on a theatre basis, 6 pr up to 25%.

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.38 Rev Mk II	.303 Mk VII Bdr Rifle	9mm para STEN	.303 Mk VII Ctn BREN	.303 Mk II TRACER	.303 Mk VIIIZ INCENDIARY	.303 Mk VII SI Belt MAG	P.I.A.T. Bombs HE	Bombs ML HE
702	13950	15360	-	-	-	-	-	-
234	3720	5760	-	-	-	-	-	-
3222	28200	18688	68200	18600	6200	44000	558	390
1074	7520	7008	27280	7440	2480	6000	186	195
720	42300	19968	13200	3600	1200	-	144	-
240	11280	14976	5280	1440	480	-	48	-
3456	399500	251904	316800	68400	28800	384000	2052	1620
1152	106320	94392	126720	34560	11520	72000	684	810
990	26175	81408	19800	5400	1800	-	396	-
330	13960	27136	7920	2160	720	-	132	-
630	11450	66816	29700	8100	2700	-	162	480
210	9160	22217	11880	3240	1080	-	54	240
486	13750	66432	50600	13800	4600	-	162	-
162	11000	22144	20240	3240	1080	-	54	-
396	3400	25344	28600	7800	2600	-	234	-
132	13600	8448	11140	3000	1040	-	78	-
252	24300	20736	6600	1800	600	-	54	-
84	12960	6912	2640	720	240	-	18	-
252	6500	30720	22000	6000	2000	-	560	-
84	-	7680	8800	2400	800	-	120	-
108	6400	8704	4400	1200	400	-	-	-
36	-	2176	1760	480	160	-	-	-
18	1200	3328	3300	900	300	-	18	-
6	-	832	1320	360	120	-	6	-
-	350	896	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	224	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	300	896	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	-	224	-	-	-	-	-	-
184	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
90	1850	5632	4400	1200	400	-	-	-
30	-	1408	1760	480	160	-	-	-
18	50	1408	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	-	352	-	-	-	-	-	-
11632	579675	618240	567600	136800	51600	428000	4502	2490
3894	189520	221889	227040	59520	19880	78000	1380	1245
15526	769195	840129	794640	196320	71480	506000	5882	3735

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Table APC may be issued in lieu. (b) HE issued on a theatre basis, 6 pr up to 25%, 17 pr up to 5%

Alpha

Serial	2 ORLAR					3" MORTAR		Flares Trip- Wire Mk I	ILL 1"
	Bombs ML SMOKE	Bombs Illum W/Parachute Mk I	Bombs Signal Single star RED	Bombs Signal Single star GREEN	Bombs Multi- Star WHITE Mk I	Bombs ML HE	Bombs ML Smoke		
1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.	858	156	78	78	Issued on a Theatre basis	744	192	36	-
4.	219	78	26	26		348	64	-	-
5.	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
6.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.	3564	648	324	324	"	4464	1152	216	273
8.	1782	324	108	108	"	2088	504	108	91
9.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
10.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
11.	160	160	-	-	"	-	-	-	4
12.	64	64	-	-	"	-	-	24	1
13.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	45
14.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
15.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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35.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37.	4582	964	402	402	-	-	-	-	-
38.	2065	466	134	134	-	5208	1344	276	334
39.	6647	1430	536	536	-	2436	568	120	111
						7644	1912	396	446

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	40 mm		25 Pr					
Reduced CH	HE		SHELL HE Fuzed 119-117	AP	SMOKE	Carts Norm	Carts Super	Ser- -ial
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.
-	-	-	3120	288	384	3840	672	7.
-	-	-	1368	120	168	1680	120	8.
(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.
-	9504	1728	-	-	-	-	-	11.
-	4320	864	-	-	-	-	-	12.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36.
-	9504	1728	3120	288	384	3840	672	37.
-	4320	864	1368	180	168	1680	120	38.
-	13824	2592	4488	468	552	5520	792	39.

Appendix 'A' to MML letter
SD/39/2 dated 16 May 46

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SUBJECT :- Cleaning, lifting & recovering explosives



Land Forces Sub Commission AC.,
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
7.331
May 1946

TO : Minister For War

Further to our letter of 1 March 1946. File and subject as above.

- 1.- Civilian firms, which conducted battlefield salvage under U.S. Army contracts in effect prior to 28 February 1946 should be allowed to retain materials of ammunition and components collected under said contracts, unless otherwise provided under existing Italian laws, which are applicable to all Italian nationals notwithstanding any contracts made by such nationals with Allied agencies.

John J. Ward
JOHN J. WARD, Captain
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to : HQ. FBS.
APO 782 U.S. Army
(Your AG 471 BFORD of 18 April 1946, subject:
Collection of Abandoned Ammunition rollers)
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Comando Militare Territoriale di Roma

UFFICIO SERVIZI
I Sezione

N° 01/6661 di prot. Servizi

Roma, li 16 aprile 1946

OGGETTO: Munizionamento britannico per 11 C.A.R.-

AL COMANDO 8° CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO RECLUTE ORVIETO

e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO 8° ARTIGLIERIA

ROMA

ALL'8° B.L.U.

S E D E

Lo Stato Maggiore R.Esercito, con foglio 4/755/Serv. del 31 marzo scorso, ha comunicato l'assegnazione a codesto C.A.R. del seguente munizionamento per l'addestramento delle reclute:

cart.per pistola.38	1.345
" " fucile 303	173.000
" " mitr."Bren".....	274.560
" " carabina "Sten".....	19.635
colpi completi per mortaio Piat.....	890
cariche di lancio per mortaio Piat	1.727
bombe fumogene per mort.2".....	709
bombe da segn.rossi per mort.2".....	159
bombe da segn.verdi " " 2"	159
bombe a mano 36	4.909
bombe a mano 77	2.500

Il materiale sarà spedito a codesto C.A.R. a cura della Sezione Staccata d'Artiglieria di Bari, che, per evitare l'apertura del

X.435

le casse già confezionate, è autorizzata ad apportare
lievi arrotondamenti alle cifre sopra indicate.

Codesto Comando è pregato, all'arrivo del materiale,
di effettuare un rigoroso controllo analogamente a quello
prescritto con foglio 01/5498/Serv. del 26 marzo scorso.

d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
(Aldo Bonelli)



Subject: Clearing, lifting and recovering explosives.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG
(M.M.I.A.)

Q.131

1 March 1946

TO : Minister for War.

Reference your ^{13209/URA} 864 of 11 February 1946, and further to our Q.131 of 15 February 1946, above subject.

1. The Commanding General, MTOUSA, has issued instructions to all U.S. Army Commanders in Italy directing that all U.S. Army contracts authorizing civilian battlefield salvage be cancelled effective 28 Feb 1946 and that no further contracts will be negotiated with civilian firms. Also, insofar as the U.S. Army is concerned, battlefield salvage contracts in the future will be the responsibility of the Italian War Ministry through MMIA, or the Italian Ministry of Transportation.
2. This cancellation of contracts includes the civilian firms mentioned in your letter, as requested by you, and also all other civilian firms who might be in possession of contracts.
3. You are therefore at liberty to proceed under Italian law in any manner desired by you against any civilian firm conducting battlefield salvage not under contract with the responsible Ministry of the Italian Government.
4. Reports of salvage of Allied materials and ammunition, as specified in paragraph IX of your letter, will be made to MMIA, and you will thereafter be advised regarding disposition.

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A/Q	<i>[Signature]</i>

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

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Copy to: List 'A'
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SUBJECT:- Equipment for C.A.R.'s.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.,
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
Q.103-1
18 February 1946

TO : Ministry of War

1. Approval has been given by GHQ, CMF for the release of bayonets and webbing equipment for the C.A.R.'s. These should be received in plenty of time for distribution to the C.A.R.'s to meet the demands of the first intake.
2. Steel Helmets will not be released as it is understood by this H.Q. that you have adequate supplies of Italian Steel Helmets which you intend to issue to the entire Italian Army.

E.W. Bradley Major
E.W. BRADLEY,
Major, Innisks,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- List "B" (less Serial 12),

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Subject:- Captured Enemy Material - Italian Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
ROME.
Q.150

14 February, 1946. S.E.I.U. ROME
G.H. J.H.
J.C. P/1462/1124

To:- Ministry of War.

1. The following instructions concerning the disposal of ammunition of Italian origin are forwarded for information and necessary action:

(1) The location and quantities of all ammunition of Italian origin situated in Italy will be made known to the Italian Government or, in the case of the provinces of Udine and Venezia Giulia, to the Allied Military Government concerned.

(2) The Italian Government or the Allied Military Government will make immediate arrangements to take over the ammunition and will be totally responsible for its safe custody until its final disposal. The Italian Government or the Allied Military Government concerned will assume the responsibility, within a time limit to be set by mutual agreement with the competent Allied Military Commander, for safeguarding such ammunition.

(3) In the interest of internal security the Italian Government or the Allied Military Government concerned will be instructed to concentrate for particular guarding all ammunition of 20 mm calibre and below including mines, grenades, etc. They will be further instructed to place special guards on ammunition of a dangerous nature until its disposal. Commanders will satisfy themselves, when handing over, that such arrangements are in fact in hand. Such handover will only be at their discretion having regard to any operational directives to the contrary and to the maintenance of internal security.

(4) The Italian Government, or Allied Military Government concerned, will make necessary arrangements, and be totally responsible for the disposal of all ammunition of Italian origin whether by destruction, dumping or breaking down into component parts for use in the civil rehabilitation of the country. Products resulting from the breaking down processes will not be employed in the production of further armaments except as permitted by the Allied authorities. The Italian Government, when making disposal will have regard to the requirements of the future Italian armed forces.

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- (6) Ammunition of Italian origin, located elsewhere than in Italy, will be disposed of as for captured ammunition of enemy origin.

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2. Attention is directed to the last sentence in paragraph (4).
3. Previous instructions issued by M.H.I.A. and in particular Q/23/14 of 11 October 45, are cancelled.

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R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General;
M. H. I. A.

Copy to:- A.C. for Executive Commissioner.
Public Safety Sub Commission.
War Material Disposal Sub Commission.
Industry Sub Commission.
List "B" less serial 12.

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Handwritten:
R.A. CUMMIES Lt. Col.
for Major General;
H. H. I. A.

Copy to:- A.C. for Executive Commissioner.
Public Safety Sub Commission.
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Subject:- C.E.M. - Italian Arms and Ammunition.

Land Force Sub Commission A.C.
(M. J. I. A.)
Q.150
ROME.

February, 1946.

To:- 3 BUU, Milan.

Reference your Q/37/17 of 28 Jan 46 and Q/37/15 of 30 Jan 46.

"Reference your AFHQ/5067E/Q(CEES) dated 24 Jan 46.

1. The statement that "Supply of Arms and Ammunition now that hostilities have ceased is not considered to constitute maintenance" is not understood. A separate communication is being addressed to your H.Q. seeking clarification on this point. The reorganisation of the Italian Army and CC.RR, and the active steps being taken to give the CC.RR units priority in re-equipment inevitably demand the supply of small arms ammunition.

2. Reserves of certain natures of small arms ammunition are dangerously low and it has been necessary to approve manufacture under authority GHQ ESD/84/3 of the 25 January 46 of the following:

9 mm Pistol	8,000,000
7.65 mm	500,000
10.35 mm	1,400,000
6.35 mm	1,100,000

3. It was understood by the War Ministry and by this H.Q. that arms and ammunition of Italian manufacture located in dumps of C.E.M. in the north of Italy would be released, after identification, to the Italian Army, under the terms of the AFHQ Directive of the 2 October 45. These dumps, however, are under the control of H.Q. 2 District, and pursuant to the policy explained in your letter under reference, 2 District refuse to grant permission for Italian ammunition to be withdrawn by the Italian Army, thus seriously hampering the War Ministry in their task of re-equipping units of the CC.RR and further reducing stocks of available ammunition.

4. In accordance with the last sentence of paragraph 3 of your letter quoted above, the immediate release is requested of the following ammunition to the Italian Army:

Serial No.	Location	Calibre	Quantity.
1	SOLEBIATE OLONA	9 mm	8,000 rounds
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3	LEON BEAUX Factory Milan	7.65 mm	9,000 rounds

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2. Every effort is being made to secure for the Italian Army, possession of Italian Arms and ammunition wherever located. Meanwhile, it is necessary to obtain a separate release from GHQ for such items as are allocated and demanded. Demands will be initiated by the BUU concerned at the request of the local Territorial Command, and after confirmation by the War Ministry, will be transmitted by this H.Q. to G.H.Q.

R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.

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

Copy to: List "B" - less Serial 3 - for action as in paragraph 2.
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