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Italian Navy Pack

July 15, 1944 - June 1, 1945

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Subject:- Closure of Taranto Bulk Depot

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm
A.C. (MMIA) c/o 54 Area
ST/2

1 June 45.

To: HQ. MMIA.

1. Reference MMIA letter ST/53/20 of 24 May to Ministry of War on above subject, and MMIA letter ST/102 of 24 May to D.S.T. A.F.H.Q.
2. Information secured from the Italian Navy at Taranto shows that there is a large unbalanced stock of items of the Allied portion of the ration on hand in the Italian Navy Food Depot at Taranto. These figures are shown in columns (1) and (2) in attached chart "A".
3. Chart "A" also shows that the Italian Navy at Taranto based on a strength of 30,000 (Actual strength on last ST/8 was 29466) and considering a ten day allowable reserve, (MMIA letter ST/6 of 19 May 1945) requires 1,230,000 rations from 20 May to 20 June.
4. Chart "B" shows that after the instructions in MMIA letter ST/53/20 have been complied with, and the Taranto Distributing Depot has a 30 day stock on hand from 5 June, there still remains in effect, more than enough rations to meet the needs of the Italian Navy from 20 May to 20 June.
5. From the above and a study of the attached charts "A" and "B" it is suggested that:
 - (a) The Italian Navy be issued the quantities required to feed them to and including 20 June with the allowable reserve, from the Taranto Bulk Depot commencing 6 June.
 - (b) That the balance of Stock in Taranto Bulk Depot be transferred to Taranto Distributing Depot.
 - (c) That the daily pack of 32000 daily rations from 22 CRASC, which is to commence on 6 June, be taken into the Bari Bulk Depot but none sent to Taranto for the Italian Navy until 21 June.
 - (d) That the pack which is sent from the Bari Bulk Depot for the Italian Navy at Taranto commencing 21 June, be so adjusted by the Bari Bulk Depot that the unbalanced holdings in the Italian Navy Depot at Taranto will be consumed and a finally balancing adjustment effected.
 - (e) When the holdings in the Italian Navy Depot reach a balanced figure of the allowable reserve, a balanced pack containing the weekly requirements be sent from the Bari Bulk Depot.
6. Packs to other Sectors or Depots, as programmed, or required in

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4. Chart "B" shows that after the instructions in MMIA letter 31/5/20 have been complied with, and the Taranto Distributing Depot has a 30 day stock on hand from 5 June, there still remains in effect, more than enough rations to meet the needs of the Italian Navy from 20 May to 20 June.

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6. Packs to other Sectors or Depots, as programmed, or ~~required~~ ³⁴¹ in future can be sent from Bari Bulk Depot.

7. Request that you consider the above suggestions and inform us as soon as possible of your decisions on this matter. Pending instructions to the contrary we propose to put the above suggestions into effect.

George L. Fossett, Major
for Senior L.O.
Eastern Italy

Appendix "A" to ~~MMIA~~ ¹ Bari Letter ST/2 of 1 Jul 1945

Item	¹ On hand in Navy Depots on 20 May	² Rations	³ Rations Required by Navy 20/5-20/6 30000x31 +300000	⁴ Rations to come from Italian Army	⁵ Available in Taranto B.D. Rations	⁶ Amount still to be retained at Bari B.D. Rations
Flour	240473	563168	1230000	666832	746460	=
Pasta	48007	586178	1230000	643822	7657102	=
Rice	17708	=	=	=	=	=
P. Meat	127741	1515314	1230000	=	1522585	280314
Coffee	15655	1110283	1230000	119717	1768074	=
Pepper	252	1800000	1230000	=	1742142	570000
Dehyd. Veg.	106734	3798363	1230000	=	4916378	2568363
P.B.L.	37409	665640	1230000	564360	1051925	=
Cheese	23993	853843	1230000	470000	979585	=
Tomato P.	49253	3528581	1230000	=	4602137	2298581
Sugar	28442	1012135	1230000	217865	3143975	=

Col 1 & 2 : As per certified statement from Italian Navy.

Col 3 : Rations required by Italian Navy from 20/5 - 20/6 PLUS Ten Day Reserve based on 30,000 daily.

Col 4 : Col 3 - Col 2.

Col 5 : Rations available in BULK DEPOT, TARANTO (See chart B) less Rations required to fulfill SECTOR Requirements and Despatches to SICILY, etc ~~already~~ already programmed for period 28 May-3 June (N.B. Italian Navy did not draw for period 20 May-5 June until 29 May).

Col 6 : Rations surplus at 20 June held by Italian Navy, to be retained at Bari B.D. from future shipments to Navy at Taranto.

* : Pasta and Rice combined for equivalent Ration.

Annex "A" to MMIA L. Bari Letter ST/2 of 1 Jun. 1945

	<u>1</u> and in Navy as on 20 May	<u>2</u> Rations	<u>3</u> Rations Required by Navy 20/5-20/6 30000x31 +300000	<u>4</u> Rations to come from Italian Army	<u>5</u> Available in Taranto B.D. Rations	<u>6</u> Amount still to be retained at Bari B.D. Rations
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Appendix "B" to MFL 40 Bari Letter ST/2 of 1 June 1945

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Commodities	<u>A</u> Remains in Bulk Depot as at 28/5	<u>B</u> Desp ex Sector program for 28/5 to 3/6	<u>C</u> Sector needs up to 5/7 to be handed to DD	<u>D</u> Total Require- ments	<u>E</u> Avail- able to be handed over to III Navy after 5/6	<u>F</u> Rations	<u>G</u> RATIONS Desp. made by 22 CRASC arr after 28 May	<u>H</u> TOTAL AVAIL- ABLE for ITALIAN NAVY
	Qli.	Qli.	Qli.	Qli.	Qli.	Rations	Rations	
Flour	4712	800	1317	2117	2595	611460	135000	746460
Pasta +	8727	=	212	212	8515	7522102	135000	7657102
P. Meat	923	180	186	366	557	1387585	135000	1522585
Coffee	239	30	24	54	185	1633074	135000	1768074
Pepper	1	0.30	0.34	0.64	0.81	1607142	135000	1742142
Dehyd Veg.	642	60	74	134	508	4781378	135000	4916378
P.B.L.	705	110	143	253	452	916925	135000	1051925
Cheese	343	60	61	121	222	844558	135000	979558
Tomato P.	282	=	37	37	245	4467137	135000	4602137
Sugar	833	=	48	48	785	3008975	135000	3143975

+ includes issue of Pasta in lieu of Rice.

Legend: A - D = E
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SUBJECT :- "Pilferage" Report

PRO/38/4

14 May 45

Nov LO "A" Sec SIB, CMP.

Ref C-4(Mov & En) AFHQ Working Instr No 21 of 18 Apr 45 -

1. Herewith "Pilferage" Report and statements in respect of deficiencies of WD rations from Box Wagon No 102416 discovered on 13 May 45 at Italian Supply Depot MONTESCATINI (TARANTO).
2. The a/m report and statements were received by this office from 10 Land Forces Sub-Commission AC (MMIA) attached to this HQ and are forwarded herewith for info and any further action considered necessary.

F. O. Powell Capt.

D.A.M.

for Major.

Assistant Provost Marshal,
H.Q. 52 Area.

Field.

Copy to :- 10 Land Forces Sub-Commission AC (MMIA) Hq 52 Area -
(Your TPD/17/A of 13 May 45 refers - please note provisions
of a/m AFHQ Working Instr ref submission of "Pilferage"
Rep rts)

S.M.M.

SUBJECT :- Issue Vouchers?

File
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
o/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17/A

To : O.C. 46 B.S.D.
R.E.S.C.

File
7 May 45

Reference your BSD/330/23 dated 2 May 45.

- (1) Para 1. : Receipt of AF.G1033 in respect of Wagon N° 1012240, is acknowledged.
- (2) Para 2. : Copy of Discrepancy Report on IV 20/1/3 dated Jan 45 (Wagon N° 1022408), is attached herewith, as requested.
- (3) Para 3. : Copies of IV 7/2/2 dated Dec 44, and AF.F 783 for discrepancies involved, are forwarded as requested.
- (4) Para 4. : If you will forward copies of any Vouchers outstanding, we will endeavour to trace same from duplicate copies if held in this office.

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Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA) 52 Area

Subject :- Issue Vouchers etc.

BSD/330/28

L.O., M.M.I.A.,
52 Area.,
C.M.F.

-5 MAY 1945

Reference your T.D/17A dated 24 April 45, a copy of the A.F. G. 1033 in respect of Wagon No 1012240 was despatched to you yesterday.

On 19 April, Discrepancy Report on I.V. 20/1/3 January 45, Wagon No. 1022408 (Serial No. 241) was returned to you. The copy retained by this office has inadvertently been forwarded to Financial Adviser without having made a copy which is required in connection with application for write-off. May the Discrepancy Report be forwarded, please, to enable copies to be made. This will be returned to you immediately. If you cannot see your way clear to send the Discrepancy Report may a complete copy of same be forwarded.

Copy of I.V. 7/2/2 December 44 is forwarded. No trace can be found of Discrepancy Report having ~~been~~ been raised on this issue. If one was raised may copy, in duplicate, duly signed, be forwarded to this Depot together with copy of I.V. duly signed also.

Many I.Vs. for November, December, January, February and March appear to be still outstanding.

In the near future copies will be sent to you and if you can help this Depot to get these outstanding Vouchers cleared, your assistance will be appreciated.

Field
2 May 45.

W. Sandford
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Major., R.A.S.C.
Commanding 46 Base Supply Depot., R.A.S.C.

Subject:- Pilferage Report.

To: O.C.
46 B.S.D. R.A.S.C.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ. 52 Area.
TPD/I7/A.
13th May '45.

1. Herewith are forwarded Pilferage Report and Relevant Statement, in respect of pilferage which was discovered on 13th May '45.

2. AF P.783 will be rendered in due course, on receipt of your AF G.1033 (duplicate copy).

LSMM

Capt. R.A.S.C.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) c/o HQ. 52 Area.

Copies to: A.P.M. 52 Area,
Movts 52 Area,
Commissariato, TARANTO.

PRO-FOUR

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIRERAGE

AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss **13/5/45**
 If at depot, Port, or in transit **At Depot MONTACATINI, ITAL SUP DEPOT**
 Consigning Depot, or Port **46 B.S.D. BARI**
 Receiving Depot or Port **Italian Supply Depot Montecatini.**

Method of transport. Rail Open Wagon No. **BOX Wagon**

Box " " **102116**

Seals if intact **Yes**

If numbers agree **Yes**

with wagon label **Yes**

" " Road Lorry No. **---**

Drivers Name **---**

Coastwise Ship No or Name **---**

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

P. Meat 16 Sacks at 18 lbs Total DEF 397 lbs.

4 Tins at 12 oss 4 Sacks at 24 lbs.

P/B/L (5 Sacks 178 lbs damaged) DEFICIENT

Coffee 2 cases at 38 lbs Total 76 lbs.

Pepper 3 at 25 lbs Total 75 lbs. 337

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

All seals were intact, entry was made into the truck by a hole being made in the roof.

This truck was despatched on 30th March and arrived on 10th May '45.

S. I. B. Notified Date **13th May '45.**

Method of transport, rail Ocean Wagon No. **Box Wagon**
 BSA " " **102116**
 Seals if intact **Yes**
 If numbers agree **Yes**
 with wagon label **Yes**
 " " " **Yes**
 Road Lorry No. **Yes**
 Drivers Name **Yes**
 Coastwise Ship No or Name **Yes**

Description and quantity of

stores nilfered or lost :-

P. Meat 16 Sacks at 18 lbs Total 288 lbs.

4 Tins at 12 ozs 4 Sacks at 24 lbs.

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S.I.B. Notified Date **13th May '45.**

(Date) **13 MAY 1945.**

Copy to : A.P.M. T.F. WFO
 Route WFO
 46 B.S.P.
 Italian Supply Depot
 WFO to 50 1945

E.L. Munro-Mason
 Capt. R.F.S. J.
 Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
 (N.I.A.) 52 Area

FILE

13th May '45.

STATEMENT OF N.M.I.A. REPRESENTATIVE, TARANTO, ON PILFERED
RAIL TRUCK.

Railway Wagon No. IO2II66 consigned from 46 B.S.D. to Italian Supply Depot Taranto, arrived at the Depot on 10th May. It was despatched on 30th April, having taken 10 days to reach here. Owing to other work of priority this truck was not offloaded until the morning of 13th May. The seals to this truck were all intact, but on opening the truck there was a large hole in the roof.

The following commodities were found to be missing:

		Deficient
P. MEAT	16 sacks x 18 lbs	= 387 lbs
4 tins at 12 ozs	4 sacks x 24 lbs.	=
P/B/L	5 damaged sacks	= 178 "
COFFEE	2 cases x 38 lbs	= 76 "
PEPPER	3 x 25 lbs	= 75 "

S/10672600 Pte. Stead. R.A.S.C.

S/10672600 Pte. STEAD, R.A.S.C.

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Taranto li 13/5/45

In data odierna, alla presenza del sottoscritto e dei rappresentanti della L.M.I.A. presso il raccordo ferroviario Montecorvino-Deposito Centrale Viveri, si è proceduto all'apertura e allo scarico del vagone N° 1021166 contenente derrate di provenienza alleata, dal 46 Bsd di Bari, spedito il 30-4-45 e giunto il 10-5-45;

Il vagone all'esterno appariva intatto e regolarmente chiuso con i sigilli alleati N° 510359 e 5101352; senonchè si è constatato, subito dopo l'apertura, che una tavola era stata rimossa dal tetto e poi rimessa a posto e che dall'orifizio erano state spertate delle derrate e cioè:

P. Ment	Sachs	16 x 18	lbs	} = 387 lbs
"	"	4 x 24	"	
Tins	"	4 x 12	once	
Coffee	Cases	2 x 38	lbs	= 76
Pepper	Tins	3 x 25	lbs	= 75
P/B/L/	sachs	5 manomessi	mancano	178 lbs

IL S. TENENTE COMMISSARIO

(Pacella Donat Colapocia)



SECRET

(229)

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of M-FILS.

Daily Pack.

5 MAY

TID
180/17 ALand Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.F.I.A.).

ST/102

4 May 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MIA LO'S

NAPLES BARI TARANTO

1. It is notified for your information that the daily pack from 14 GRAGO (Supply Units) to Italian Depot, NAPLES has been reduced to 63,000 rations with effect from 3 May 45.

2. Present packs in operation at the date of this letter are shown below for your information:

Despatching AgencyItalian DepotDaily Pack

14 GRAGO (Supply Units) NAPLES
22 GRAGO (Supply Units) BARI
- do -

NAPLES
BARI
TARANTO

63,000 rations
21,000 "
54,000 "

DWM/gao

K. Robert Wilson May
Lt. Col. RASC.
AG. 7, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.F.I.A.).

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SUBJECT :- Receipt and Despatch of Supplies.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(L.F.I.A.)
o/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17/A

4 MAY 45

To: CC. 28 B.S.D.

R.A.S.C.

file
(Through No. 10. Port Det. RASC.)

Herewith enclosed three copies of
Loading List duly signed by an Italian Officer,
Representative as requested, and duly endorsed by
MMIA LO.

hmm
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA) 52 AREA

LOADING LIST FOR U.S. JET (CHICAGO) VIA
For loading on "Fort Livingstone" - May/2.

SECRET.

Quantity.	Unit.	Commodity.	Pack.	Nett.	Shipping Form.	Gross.
47	q/s	P. Meat	36	1,592 lbs	39.	1.
5	"	Tea	120	600 "	24.	6.
26	"	Jam	66	1,716 "	12.	1.
78	q/s	Wettable oil	5.6	271 gallon	10.	7.
23	q/s	Wettable Dried	25	573 lbs	12.	7.
179	Totals:				4.	17.

A. Blunt

Major.
 Commanding 28 Base Supply Depot.
 N.A.S.C.

Teodoro Salvatore Polito

Signature of Italian Representative.

Comandante - Distaccamento Portuali, Taranto

COMMUN. MESSINA
K. M. M. M. M. M.

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Box to :— Mr. H. Agnew-Lewis CUP
New Shipping Terminal
Rear Port Lots Ward
DANFORTH Port Lot Toronto
1914/15 c/o 42 Ave.

- The following will be located in W. LAWSON'S Toronto under Index P-4/2 in accordance arrangements to be made by New Brunswick/Parliament.

2. All players are with team.

Expt. 4 (see Expt. 3)

T. Kuch
Sana
Dona
Mangal B. Lal &
Rajesh D.

Part 11. (see 11.1.1.1)

Flow	27
N & V	5
100	10
higher	5
Milk 73.	2
100	1

4. Leaf Part A, the signature of an Italian Army Officer must be obtained to three copies of the traveling list. Vol No. of list/10 52 Area in Havana 2539.
5. Consignee Mr. Giovanni Lombardi.
6. Volal No/1 will be reviewed.
7. It is understood that the above supplies are (12 whole or 24 part) for Italian personnel.

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- Part II (on Long Stories)

T. Frost
 Tea
 Jan
 Canton, S. Ill. 18
 Transit U.

Dept. D. (use C. B. station)

Flax	27
N. & V	5
Md.	10
Sugar	5
Milk Wb.	2
Salt	1

4. Ref Part A, the signature of an Italian Army Officer must be obtained to have copies of the landing list. Vol No. of MIA/IO 52 Area in Toronto 2537.
5. Consiglieri M. Jovanovic Milano-ItL.
6. Consul Ref. will be reviewed.
7. It is understood that the above supplies are (in whole or in part) for Italian personnel.

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SUBJECT :- Daily Pack.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17 A

27 April 45

To : Commissariato TARANTO
Officer i/o Bulk Depot,
MONTECATINI

1. Instructions have now been received from AFHQ that commodities for Italian Base Packs should be issued in accordance with the normal rotation of stocks as for issue to British DIDs.
2. This will ensure correct turnover of stocks by issue of the oldest stocks first to all consumers.
3. Will you please ensure, on your part, that commodities received marked early issue or in sack or sandbag containers are issued first.
4. Any difficulties experienced by you with these early issue items should be referred to this office with a view to alternative arrangements being made.

Summa
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) 52 Area

UFFICIO AUTONOMO DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

1. A. R. A. T. 9

N° 3032 82 prot.

Taranto, 15 23/4/45

ALLA SEZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL COMANDO 4° Z.A.T. = BARI =
e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI BARI

Direzionale di Commissariato

I° Sezione

L.O. LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

(M.N.I.A.) c/o HQ 52° AREA

AL 52° MAGAZZINO PRESIDARIO VIVERRI

AL 53° MAGAZZINO PRESIDARIO VIVERRI

Viverrì alla R. Aeronautica.

OGGETTO:

Supplente per l'attività in Force.

Poiché il Reparto della R. Aeronautica di Stanga e Lecce e Lavarano trovano più vicini a Brindisi che a Taranto, l'Ufficio di collegamento Alleato del locale Settore M.N.I.A. ha espresso il desiderio che essi prelevino dal Magazzino Presidario Viverrì di Brindisi, anziché dal Magazzino di Taranto.

Si prega pertanto voler disporre che a partire dalla quin-
dicina 6/20 maggio i reparti espressi elencati si appoggino a
Brindisi per il vettovagliamento, beninteso in aggiunta a quel-
li che già nella quindicina in corso prelevano da detto Stabi-
limento: R.Aeroporto Lecce - Stormo "B" Notturno Lecce - SRAM
Regg/to Bomb/to Lecce - 5° Stormo Caccia Lecce - 51° Stormo
Caccia Lecce - Tecnocaccia Lecce - Aeronautica Lavarano.

Per il Magazzino Viverrì di Brindisi si comunica che dalla
quindicina 6/20 maggio dovrà curare il vettovagliamento di cir-
ca 4000 uomini al giorno della R. Aeronautica. Tanto purché ten-
ga conto della nuova terza nella periodica richiesta di derrate.

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MAGGIOR COMANDANTE DELL'UFFICIO INT.
(Nicola D'Amico)

I^a Sezione

L.O. LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

(M.M.I.A.) c/o HQ 52^a AREA

AL 52^a MAGAZZINO PRESIDARIO VIVERE

AL 53^a MAGAZZINO PRESIDARIO VIVERE

Vivere della R. Aeronautica.

Supplimento per Italian Air Force.

OGGETTO:

Poichè i Reparti della R. Aeronautica di stanza a Lecce e Leverano trovano più vicini a Brindisi che a Taranto, l'Ufficio di collegamento Alleato del locale Settore M.M.I.A. ha espresso il desiderio che essi prelevino dal Magazzino Presidario Vivere di Brindisi, anzichè dal Magazzino di Taranto.

Si prega pertanto voler disporre che a partire dalla quindicina 6/20 maggio i reparti appresso elencati si appoggino a Brindisi per il vettovagliamento, beninteso in aggiunta a quelli che già nella quindicina in corso prelevano da detto Stabilimento: R. Aeroporto Lecce - Stormo "B" Notturno Lecce + SRAM Raggr/to Bomb/to Lecce - 5^a Stormo Caccia Lecce - 51^a Stormo Caccia Lecce - Teconmacchia Lecce - Aerocaccia Leverano.

Per il Magazzino Vivere di Brindisi si comunica che dalla quindicina 6/20 maggio dovrà curare il vettovagliamento di circa 4000 uomini al giorno della R. Aeronautica. Tanto perchè ten- ga conto della nuova merce nella periodica richiesta di merce.



MAGGIORE COLM. RIC. GEN. UFFICIO INT.
(Ricco G. G. G.)

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= RARI =

= TARANTO =

= BRINDISI =

S/C

UFFICIO AUT. LOCO DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
= TARANTO =

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n. 2987 di prot.

Taranto, 11 20 aprile 1945

L.O. LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) - c/o HQ 52 AREA

e, per conoscenza:

AL IX BIS DEPOSITO CENTRALE VIVERI
AL 51° MAGAZZINO PRESIDARIO VIVERI= TARANTO
= TARANTOOGGETTO: cessioni ai Reparti della R. Aeronautica.
Spedizione per posta aerea

1. Le cessioni ai Reparti Aeronautici dalla quindicina 21 corrente - 5 maggio, verranno effettuati dai Magazzini distributori del R. Esercito.
2. Il Magazzino Viveri di Taranto, non essendo raccordato con la ferrovia, effettuerà le spedizioni servendosi dello scalo ferroviario "Montecatini".
3. Quanto sopra si comunica perchè non si cada nell'equivoco che le cessioni continuino ad essere effettuate dal Deposito Centrale.

IL MAGGIORE COME/PIO CAPO UFFICIO INT.
(Nicola CARCANI)

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S/ce

UFFICIO AUTONOMO DI COMMISSARIATO MILI. RE
= T A R A N T O =

n. 2223 di prot.

Taranto, li 7 aprile 1945

L.O. LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) - c/o HQ 52 AREA
e, per conoscenza:

AL IX BIS DEPOSITO CENTRALE VIVERI

= TARANTO

OGGETTO: distribuzione viveri all'Aeronautica Italiana.

1. Il Ministero della Guerra, nel comunicare le es-
sioni di razioni che il Deposito Centrale Viveri di Taran-
to deve effettuare giornalmente alle altre FF.AA. Italia-
ne, per la quindicina 6/20 corrente, non ha accennato ad
alcuna assegnazione per la R. Aeronautica.

2. Quanto sopra, si ritiene, è da attribuire al fat-
to che la R. Aeronautica avrebbe accumulato delle scorte
nei suoi Magazzini, il cui consumo deve precedere ogni ul-
teriore cessione da parte del Deposito Centrale (dispac-
cio Ministero Guerra n. 5991/S/1 datato 17.3.45; lettera
L.F.S.C. - A.C. (MMIA) Q/2/26-2 del 12 marzo u.s.).

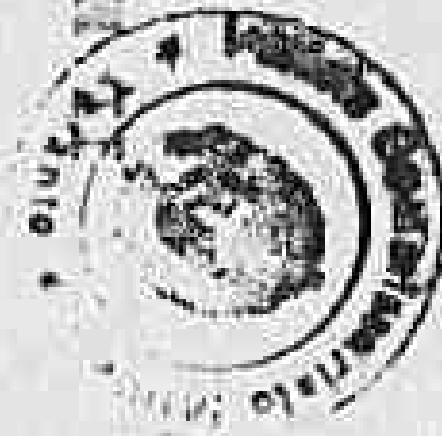
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R. Aeronautica, un terzo delle razioni per la quindicina
in corso, limitatamente a quei Reparti che hanno dichia-
rato di trovarsi nell'impossibilità di vettovagliarsi; i
prelevamenti dei due terzi rimanenti sono sospesi.

4. Si prega la S.V. voler comunicare quando effet-
tuerà gli inventari presso i Magazzini di distribuzione
dell'Aeronautica Italiana, allo scopo di determinare le
giornate di razioni tuttora disponibili presso la predet-
ta Forza Armata.

5. Questo Ufficio disporrà che il Deposito Centrale
Viveri di Taranto torni ad effettuare cessioni alla R. Ae-
ronautica soltanto dopo che la S.V. avrà comunicato l'esi-
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to degli inventari.



IL MAGGIORE COL/RIO CAPO UFFICIO INT.
(Nicola CARCINO)

8 APR 1945

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SUBJECT: Drawing of Rations by Italian Air Force.Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.I.A.).
ST/55Ministry of War.

3 APR 45.

COPY TO: IRIA LO's

NAPLES

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LA ARMA

SABOTIA

SICILY

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Further to this HQ's 9/2/45-2 dated 12 March 45.

1. Please instruct your Distribution Depots to record issues of rations to Air Force units on reverse side of Stock Movement Returns, as has hitherto been done by Bulk Depots.

HDC/gao

Wm. Hafford
 Capt Lt. Col. RABU.
 ADJ., Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (IRIA).

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The four airfields in our Sector draw from Bulk Depot and NOT from Distribution Depots - that's why D.Ds. do not record any issue of rations to Air Force units on reverse side of Stock Movement Returns.

I have instructed Commandants that Bulk Depot must go on doing as they have hitherto done, keeping separate the issues to the four different airfields and stating that they are not issues in bulk. 8/4/45 - H.S.

Emm

Subject: Ration Issues to Italian Air Force.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
Q/2/26-4

28 Mar 1945

To: Ministry of War (Commissariato)

Reference is made to this Hq letter Q/2/26-2 of 12 Mar 45.

The drawing of rations in bulk for distribution through Italian Air Force Depots will cease as early as is possible and in no case will be later than Monday 9 Apr 45.

FJN/1e

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

Copy: Air Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
MMIA LO Sardinia
MMIA LO Naples
MMIA LO Fifth Army
MMIA LO Sicily
MMIA LO 52 Area ✓
MMIA LO 54 Area
MMIA LO Br Iner Fifth Army - with copy of ltr under ref.

SUBJECT: Issues to Italian Air Force

75 MAR 1945

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (S. R. I. A.) R O M E
C/2/26-2
12 March 1945

TO : Dirz. Gen. Commissariato
Minister for War

1. It has been discovered that Italian Air Force Distribution Depots have been drawing rations from Italian Army Depots for distribution to Italian Air Corps personnel. The rations have been drawn on the authorized strength of the units being served by the depot concerned. The depot has issued rations to the Italian Air Force unit on the ration strength of the unit at the time of issue, consequently the Air Force Depots have accumulated ration stocks in their distribution depots. This is contrary to existing policy for any rations to be in depots which are not under control of MMIA. Therefore, in the future all rations for the Italian Air Force will be issued direct to the units and not to distribution depots of the Italian Air Force.

2. To implement this policy, MMIA Liaison Officers will have an inventory made of all Italian Air Force Distribution Depots. They will determine from the inventory the days of rations on hand, for the units being served by the depot. After the rations have been depleted, the units will then draw direct from the Italian Army Depots on MMIA Forms ST/8's, instead of from the Italian Air Force Depots. MMIA Liaison Officers will notify the commanding officer at the Italian Air Force Depots of this procedure at the time the inventory is made. A copy of the inventory will be sent to this Headquarters by MMIA Liaison Officers.

3. You will please notify your depots of this policy immediately, sending us copy of the instructions which you issue to implement this letter, and also acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Tommy I. Rose
TOMMY I. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
S. R. I. A.

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Copy to: ST Section MMIA
MMIA LG Sardinia
MMIA LG Naples
MMIA LG Fifth Army
MMIA LG Sicily
MMIA LG 52 Area
MMIA LG 54 Area
Air Forces Sub-Commission A.C.

For necessary action per para. 2.

SUBJECT: Receipts ex British Sources.

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2 APR 1945

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(H.M.I.A.).
ST/102

MEMIA 10's
HAFIPS BARI TARANTO

18 April 45. TFD 17/10

Copy to: Ministry of War.

Reference our signal ST/820 of 17 April 45 (not to Ministry of War).

1. Rendition of signals reporting daily receipts ex British sources (14 or 22 GRASC) was cancelled in order to reduce signal traffic.
2. It is desired that Acceptance Notes (MEMIA Form ST/5) be accomplished and despatched with a minimum of delay, in order that data at this Headquarters may be up-to-date.

KES/gmc

K. Robert Helom May
Lt. Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MEMIA).

CSM to me —
Ten Polito " Sean

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With wagon label —

Rolls of Liberty No.

Driving

Constvise Shin No or Name

Description and quantity of

stored nilford on lost :-

4. Sacks	2	66 lbs	missing	Total
662 lbs				

...K.62. 115.

ANY further available information

as to method employed, etc. :-

Both Seals came were missing from this wagon
but Seals 5 M.Y. ant. were intact

...Cont. Slabs... 5 P.M. event.

S. I. B. Notified Date 6-3-45.

(Date) 6-3-85

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Cont. R. I. S. J.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A. 3.
(C. N. I. A.) 52 A 200

Wagon No. 315142 consigned from
the B.S.D. was offloaded at
the Italian Supply Depot Toronto
on the 4th Feb. 45. Apart from
flour which was 614 lbs deficient
in weight, 7 sacks of Macaroni
at 66 lbs was deficient. This
truck arrived with no a/c seals,
but the wire seals appeared to
be quite intact. There fore no
pilferage report was rendered.

M.M.I.A REPRESENTATIVE Toronto
S/2672600 Pte Steel R.A.S.G.
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Subject :- Pilferage Report.

(200)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17A

To :- O.C. 46 B.S.D. RASC

3 Apr 45

1. Herewith are forwarded Pilferage Report and relevant statements, in respect of Pilferage discovered on 2 April 45.
2. No AF.G.1033 was received with the wagon in question.
Please forward another extra copy of same.
3. AF.F 703 will be rendered in due course on receipt of AF.G.1033 (duplicate).

Copy to ADAM, THANDU
Mach, THANDU.
Comm THANDU.

[Signature]
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA) 52 Area

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STATEMENT M.M.I.A. REPRESENTATIVE

200 A

I inspected 7 railway wagons on the morning of 1st April, at the Italian Supply Depot Taranto. Apart from one wagon all seals were intact. This truck was number 1012240: one of the some seals had been forced open. The wire seal also showed signs of having been tampered with. I was present when this truck was offloaded, and there was no 1033 (advice note) inside the truck.

I took the amounts of each commodity from the signal, advising the wagon which were as follows.

Advised on signalActually received

COFFEE	1824 lbs	1786 lbs
PEPPER	24 "	7 "
TOMATO	1833 "	1638 "
P/B/I/	7249	6739 "
CHEESE)		2047 "
FRESH (	3656	1418 "
RICE	3572	

8/10672600 Pte. Stead. R.A.S.G.

Il sottoscritto, Ten. Suss. Polito Salvatore, Comandante dell' Distaccamento Portuale B di Taranto, dichiara che all' odierna apertura e scarico dei vagoni di derrate provenienti da fonti alleate è diretti al Deposito Centrale Militare Vivari di Taranto, alla presenza dell' incaricato della M.M.I.A. di Taranto, si è constatato che:

il vagone N°1012240, proveniente dal 46 B.S.D., appariva visibilmente manomesso, in quanto il sigillo metallico avente il N°5244012 pendeva senza legatura alla sua estremità ed il pezzo di ferro attorcigliato intorno a se stesso aveva tracce e appariscienti di torsione segna evidente di essere stato rimosso e poi situato nuovamente nella posizione primitiva;

che, proceduto all' apertura del vagone e pesatura dei generi posti in esso, si constatava contenere il seguente quantitativo di viveri del seguente peso netto:

N°47 cartoni di Caffè dal peso netto totale di lbs.1786
 " 42 " " Conserva di pomodoro dal peso netto totale di lbs.1638
 " 43 Sacchi di legumi dal peso netto totale di lbs.6739
 " 13 Gabbie di Formaggio fresco dal peso netto totale di lbs.2047
 " 7 Sacchi di Riso dal peso netto totale di lbs.1418

Dichiara che non si è trovata, nel vagone, la Distinta di spedizione che il Deposito Alleato è solito inviare, e che si sono desunti dal messaggio cifrato diretto dal detto Deposito alleato alla M.M.I.A. di Taranto, i seguenti dati circa la specie e quantità di derrate che il vagone avrebbe dovuto contenere:

Caffè.....	Lbs.1824
Pepe.....	" 24
Conserva..	" 1833
Legumi.....	" 7249
Formaggio fresco..	" 3656
Riso.....	" 3572

Pertanto, si è constatata una mancanza di:

Caffè.....	Lbs.38 equivalenti ad 1 cartone
Pepe.....	" " 1 latta
Conserva	" " 5 cartoni

Formaggio

fresco...	" 1609
Riso.....	" 2154
Legumi.....	" 510

Taranto 2 Aprile 1945

Polito Salvatore

stava contenere il seguente quantitativo di viveri del seguente peso netto:

No 47 cartoni di Caffé dal peso netto totale di lbs. 1786
 " 42 " Conserva di pomodoro dal peso netto totale di lbs. 1638
 " 43 Sacchi di legumi dal peso netto totale di lbs. 6739
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Caffé.....	Lbs. 1824
Pepe.....	" 24
Conserva..	" 1833
Legumi.....	" 7249
Formaggio fresco..	" 3656
Riso.....	" 3572

Pertanto, si è constatata una mancanza di:

Caffé.....	Lbs. 38 equivalenti ad 1 cartone
Pepe.....	" 24 " 1 latta
Conserva	" 195 " 5 cartoni

Formaggio

fresco...	" 1609
Riso.....	" 2154
Legumi.....	" 510

Taranto 2 Aprile 1945

Ten. Salvatore Polito

PRO-FORMA

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIRACY

AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss 27.4.45
 If at depot, port, or in transit Station Supply Depot, Cantonment, Travancore
 Consigning Depot, or Port St. P.S.D.
 Receiving Depot or Port Station Supply Depot, New location, Travancore
 Method of transport. Rail or on Wagon No.

Box " " Box 1012240
 Seals if intact Yes (Lost Seal broken)

If numbers agree

With wagon label Yes

" " Road Lorry No.

Drivers Name

Constrive Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

Apples 38 lbs. deficient. Pepper 24 lbs. Travancore. 19.5 lbs.
P/B. 510 lbs. Cakes 1609. Rice 2154 lbs.

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

One Seal on the wagon was broken. also 5 H.M. were 318
transported with. Statements attached of persons present at
off loading, also present. personnel of 1 British. 1 N.C. 1st Detachment
R.A.S.C.

S.I.B. Notified Date 3.7.45

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Box " " Box 1012240
Seals if intact No. (Seal broken)
If numbers agree
with wagon label 345...
Road Lower No
Driver's Name
Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost :-

...Coffee... 38 lbs. ... 24 lbs. ... 195 lbs. ...
...P/B... 510 lbs. ... 1689 ... 2154 lbs. ...
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any further available information
as to method employed, etc :-

...Seal on this wagon was broken; also 5 M... 318...
...with... Statement attached at present at...
...also present... 10... 1st Detachment
...R.A.S.C.

S.I.B. Notified Date 3.7.45.
(Date) 3.7.45.

QMMV

Capt. R.E.S. J.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.I.A.) 52 Area

Copy to : A.C. ... 46 B.C.T.
... 46 B.C.T.
Italian Supply Depot
... 46 B.C.T.

SUBJECT : - Supplies - Italian Military.

195
22 C.A.S.C. (Sup Units).
6/7 30 Mar '45.

2 - APR 1945

O.C., 10 Fort Det., R.A.S.C.

Owing to the difficulties being experienced with regard to agreeing issues and receipts of supplies for the Italian Military, it has been decided that you will arrange for two men (including 1 R.C.O. if available) to be present to check and agree the outturn of the 4 waggons despatched daily from 46 B.S.D. to Italian Army Supply Depot, at Montecatini Sidings.

A signal will be despatched daily to 46 B.S.D. notifying particulars of any discrepancies in outturn.

W. S. E. M. C. L.
Lt. Col., R.A.S.C.
22 C.A.S.C. (Sup Units).

Copy to : - O.C., 46 B.S.D.
L.O., (Capt. Monk-Mason),
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.,
M.M.I.A., C/O 52 Area.

194
Wagon No 7107904 was discharged at the Italian Supply Depot Taranto on the morning of Mar 31st. This truck had been consigned from 46 B.S.D. The above truck had apparently been tampered with, as 24 crates of fresh cheese were deficient, making a total of 2679 lbs less than the actual amount advised. One some seal was broken, and the way the wire seal was fastened, made it easy to force the wire seal off without breaking, and return it to its former position. I was present at the offloading, and also the weighing of this commodity.

31 March 45

MMIA REPRESENTATIVE TARANTO

3/14672600 Pte. Squad. R.A.S.G.

Il sottoscritto, Ten. Suss. Polito Salvatore, Comandante del Distaccamento Portuale B di Taranto dichiara:

- che all'apertura e scarico odierno dei vagoni di derrate provenienti dal 46 B.S.D., diretti al Deposito Centrale Militare Viveri di Taranto, alla presenza dell'incaricato della M.M.I.A. di Taranto, si è notato:
- che il vagone avente il N° 7107904 recava tracce visibilissime di manomissioni e precisamente il sigillo metallico marcato col N° 5247496 pendeva senza legatura alla sua estremità ed il pezzo di ferro attorcigliato intorno a se stesso non passava per gli appositi anelli ma era stato posto passando nella strozzatura degli anelli in modo tale da uscire con facilità;
- che procedutosi all'apertura di tale vagone ed al peso del contenuto, si è constatato contenere:
 - N° 42 casse di formaggio fresco dal peso netto di lbs 3066
 - N° 130 gabbie di formaggio fresco dal peso netto di lbs 18160mentre, dal documento di spedizione alleato, risulta un contenuto di:
 - N° 42 casse di formaggio fresco dal peso netto di lbs 3066
 - N° 154 gabbie di formaggio fresco dal peso netto di lbs 20839pertanto una mancanza di:
 - N° 24 gabbie di formaggio fresco
 - ed una deficienza in peso di lbs 2679

Taranto li 31 Marzo 1945

DISTACCAMENTO PORTUALE
TARANTO

IL COMANDANTE DEL DISTACCAMENTO

(Ten. Suss. Polito Salvatore)

Ten. Suss. Polito Salvatore 315

PRO-FORMA

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIRERAGE

AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss 31-3-45
If at depot, port, or in transit Italian Supply Depot Muntelara

Consigning depot, or port H.G.B.S.D.

Receiving Depot or port Italian Supply Depot

Method of transport. Will Ocean Wagon No

Box " " Yes

Seals if intact One Seal time broken

If numbers agree
with wagon label Yes { Seal of 524 7457 524 7496

Box 2 Lorry No

Drivers Name

Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

Case. Fresh Cheese (100 Pkts) 2 x 100 lbs. Seal

2649 lbs

any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

The 5 M.M. was Seal was slipped off very easily
the lock of the truck door, and the Seal
(this) or must have realized that it was a simple matter
to remove it

S.I.B. Notified Date 3-3-45

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as to method employed, etc. :-

S.I.B. Notified Date 3-3-45..
(Date) 3-3-45..

Copy to : A.P. : T.F. WFO ✓
Movie : W. S. N.Y. ✓
46 B.B. ✓
It's Like Sunny + Donat ✓
WIA TO 50 ARG. *file*

Comdt. R.A.S. J.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
Ct. R. I. A. 1 52 Area

Subject :- Discrepancy Reports.

(190)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
o/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17A

To : O.C. 46 B.S.D.
RASC

27 Mar 45

TPD/114A

Reference conversation of 24th March, (MAJ HUMPHRIES
- CAPT MONCK-MASON).

1. The attached Discrepancy Reports are returned herewith,
following investigations, with observations, as under :-

Serial No 270 : This flour was part of a weevil-infested
consignment, and had been resacked, in some cases two sacks
being used, which would account for a considerable part of
any short weight.

Serial No 275 : MMIA Representative states that no seals
ACME arrived with this truck, although wire seals (5 M.M.)
were found to be secure. No visible signs of pilferage were
apparent, discrepancy presumed to be due to an error in
loading.

Serial No 457 : MMIA Representative states that seals
ACME and wire (5 M.M.) were secure on this wagon yet amount
stated as per AF.F.783 was found to be deficient, again
presumed due to an error in loading.

2. There statements have been verified with the MMIA
Representatives and Italian Port Det. Officers concerned at
time of receipt.

TPD

Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA) 52 Area

- CAPT MONCK-MASON).
Reference conversation of 24th March, (MAJ HUMPHRIES

1. The attached Discrepancy Reports are returned herewith, following investigations, with observations, as under :-

Serial No 270 : This flour was part of a weevil-infested consignment, and had been rechecked, in some cases two sacks being used, which would account for a considerable part of any short weight.

Serial No 275 : MMIA Representative states that no seals ACME arrived with this truck, although wire seals (5 M.M.) were found to be secure. No visible signs of pilferage were apparent, discrepancy presumed to be due to an error in loading.

Serial No 457 : MMIA Representative states that seals ACME and wire (5 M.M.) were secure on this wagon yet amount stated as per A.F.F. 783, was found to be deficient, again presumed due to an error in loading.

2. There statements have been verified with the MMIA Representatives and Italian Port Det. Officers concerned at time of receipt.

RMM

Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA) 52 Area

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Subject :- Pilferage Report.

(187)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17/A
20 Mar 45

File →
To : O.C.
46 B.S.D. RASC

1. Herewith are forwarded Pilferage Report, and relevant Statements, in respect of pilferage, which was discovered on 19 March 45.

2. AF.F.783 will be rendered in due course, on receipt of your AF.G.1033, (duplicate copy).

R.A.S.C.
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) 52 Area

Copies to : APM 52 Area (confirming phone conversation
19 MARCH 45)

Movts 52 Area
Commissariato TARANTO

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PILFERAGE

AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss *19 March 45*
If at depot, port, or in transit *Station Supply Depot Montecatini Sarento*
Consigning Depot, or Port *46 B.S.P.*
Receiving Depot or Port *Station Supply Depot Montecatini Sarento*
Method of transport, Rail Open Wagon No

Box " " *1001908*
Seals if intact *one Seal came broken*

If numbers agree
with wagon label *Yes*

" " Road Lorry No

Drivers Name

Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost :-

Fifty-seven cases Salmon D.T.S. Lbs.

Any further available information
as to method employed, etc :-

*On inspection of these trucks, above Seal was found to be broken, and nine
Seals tampered with at 1001908. P.T.O. San Nicola states train arrived at
San Nicola at 2354 on 18/3/45, re-shunted to Sarento Station 0550 hrs 19/3/45.
Returned to San Nicola 0730 hrs 19 March 45. Placed in Italian Supply Depot 1015
S.I.B. Notified Date 19 March 45. Affected at 1030 hrs*

(Date) *20 March 45*

JMM

If numbers agree

with wagon label ..Feb.....

Road Lorry No

Drivers Name

Coastwise Ship No or Name ..

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

Forty-seven Cases. Salmon. 248 lbs. ~

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

On inspection of these trucks, some seal was found to be broken, and some

Seals tampered with. ^{dog No.} R.T.O. San Nicola, states. Train arrived at...

San Nicola at 2350 on 18/3/45, reshipped to Taranto. Station 0550 hrs. 19/3/45...

returned to San Nicola 0930 hrs 19 March 45. Placed in Italian Supply Depot 1015

S.I.B. Notified Date Off loaded at 1030 hrs

(Date) ... Report rendered 20th March 45.

JMM

Copy to A.P.M. TARANTO
Movts TARANTO
46 B.S.D.
Italian Supply Depot
AREA LO 52 AREA

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Taranto 19/3/1945

Presso il Deposito Centrale Viveri ~~Montecatini~~, raccordo ^{fonti}
~~Montecatini~~, si è proceduto allo scarico del vagone n° 1001908 ^{chiuso} di
derrate di provenienza Alleata, alla presenza del sottoscritto e del
rappresentante della M. M. I. A.

Il carro era stato manomesso da un lato mediante l'apertura
del sigillo metallico e del verzellino ritorto di chiusura, poi
nuovamente applicati con artificio +

Sono state rubate le seguenti derrate :

n° 47 casse di salmone da 48 lbs ognuna .

ST. Commissario

(Donato Pasella Coluccia)

316

Wagon N° 1001908 arrived at the Italian Supply Depot Taranto on the morning of Mar 19th. The seals on this truck had definitely been tampered with. One of the same seals was loose, apparently being taken off and put back loose. The wire seal also showed signs of being undone, and replaced roughly. I was present at the offloading of this truck, which was deficient of 47 cases of Salmon at 48 lbs. making a total of 2256 lbs.

S/10672600 P.C. Stead. R.4D.C.

M.M.I.A. Representative TARANTO

19 Mar 45

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Subject :- Pilferage Report.

To: O.C. 46 B.S.D.
RASC

(186)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17A

file 19 March 45

1. Herewith are forwarded Pilferage Report and relevant Statements in respect of pilferage, which was discovered on 18 March 45.
2. AF.F.783 will be rendered in due course on receipt of your AF.G.1033 (duplicate copy)

E. L. Mook-Mason

Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA) 52 Area

Copies to : Movts 52 Area
A.P.M. 52 Area (Confirming telephone conver=
sation 18 March 45) MC
Commissariato TABANTO

PRO-FORMA

Appendix A.
TPD/17/A.

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PILFERAGE

AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss ..18.March.45..

If at depot, Port, or in transit ..Italian Supply Depot Montecatini Taranto
Consigning Depot, or Port ..46.B.S.D.....

Receiving Depot or Port ..Italian Supply Depot Montecatini Taranto

Method of transport. Rail Open Wagon No

Box " " .7100539.

Seals if intact ..One only. One broken

If numbers agree

with wagon label .Yes...

Road Lorry Noff.....

Drivers Nameff.....

Coastwise ship No or Nameff...

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost :-

Three cases Coffee at 38 lbs, Total 114 lbs: Seventeen cases of Tomato.....

Cheese at 39 lbs, total 663 lbs: One case Cheese at 56 lbs: Seventeen....

Sacks sugar, at various weights, total 1712 lbs: Four sacks Rice 48....

advised at 132 lbs, total 595 lbs.....

Any further available information
as to method employed, etc :-

Wire seals tampered with, also Acme seal on one door was broken.....

Wire seals were replaced with poorer quality wire.....

.....307.....

S.I.B. Notified Date .18.March.45

(Date) .19.March.45

E.L. Munro-Mason

Method of transport. Rail Open Wagon No

Box " " .7100539.

Seals if intact ..One only. One broken

If numbers agree

with wagon label .Yes...

Road Lorry NoFF.....

Drivers NameFF.....

Coastwise ship No or Name ..FF...

Description and quantity of stores pilfered or lost :-

Three cases Coffee at 38 lbs, Total 114 lbs; Seventeen cases of Tomato
Paste at 39 lbs, total 663 lbs; One case Cheese at 56 lbs; Seventeen
bags sugar, at various weights, total 1712 lbs; Four sacks Rice 45
advised at 132 lbs, total 595 lbs.....

Any further available information as to method employed, etc :-

Wire seals tampered with, also Acme seal on one door was broken.....

Wire seals were replaced with poorer quality wire.....

.....307.....

S.I.B. Notified Date .18. March.45
(Date) .19. March.45

Copy to : A.P.M. TARANTO
Movts TARANTO
46 B.S.D.
Italian Supply Depot
MMIA LO 52 Area

E.L. Munro-Munro
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA) 52 Area

Taranto li 18/3/45

In data odierna si è proceduto allo scarico del carro ferroviario chiuso N°7100539 proveniente dal 46 BSD con derrate di provenienza Allenta.-

Lo scarico è stato effettuato presso il Deposito Centrale Viveri, raccordo Montecatini, alla presenza del sottoscritto e del rappresentante della M.M.I.A.-

In precedenza si era constatato la manomissione di un sigillo e la sostituzione di un ferro di chiusura.-

A scarico ultimato sono stati accertati i seguenti ammanchi:

N°	3	casse di caffè	per libbre	114
"	17	"	" Conserva Pomodoro	per libbre 663
"	1	"	" Formaggio	libbre 56
"	17	sacchi di zucchero	libbre	1712
"	4	sacchi di riso	libbre	595

IL S.TENENTE COMMISSARIO

(Donato P. CERLA SOLUCCIA)

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186C

On the morning of Feb 18th, at the Italian Supply Depot Toronto, I inspected the seals to ten railway trucks, which had been consigned from 46 S.S.I. ~~App~~ At from one truck all seals were intact. This truck, number 71700530 had, I noticed, been tampered with. One of the some seals was insecure, also the wire seal was not the original one. I was the first person on the truck when it was opened, and it was clear to see that someone had made an entry, after the truck had been loaded. The discharge of this truck took place under my constant supervision. I myself checking the commodities, and rendered a report of missing supplies, which consist of the following.

Three cases Coffee at 38 lbs, Total 114 lbs.
Seventeen cases of Tomato Paste at 39 lbs, Total 663 lbs.
One case Cheese at 56 lbs
Seventeen sacks sugar at various weights, Total 1712 lbs.
Four sacks Rice at advised at 132 lbs, Total 595 lbs.

19 MAR 1945

M.I.A. Representative, TORONTO

S/10672600 Pte. Stead.

A. A. S. 6305

Subject :- Pilferage Report.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.N.I.A.)

c/o HQ 52 Area

TPD/17A

12 March 45

To : O.C. 46 B.S.D.

1. Herewith is forwarded Pilferage Report and relevant statements, by MMIA Representative and Italian Port Det. Officer, in relation to items of Sugar and Macaroni, reported stolen 11 March 45.

2. Discrepancy Report (AF.F 783) will follow in receipt of your duplicate copy of AF 61033, which refers.

Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA) 52 Area

Copy to : MOVTS 52 AREA (for information)
APM 52 AREA
Commissariato TARANTO (for C i/o Bulk Depot,
MONTICATINI)

Wagon No 309333 was offloaded at
the Italian Supply Depot Taranto on
the morning of Feb 11th. This truck
showed definite signs of being
tampered with, reasons as follows.
One door to the truck had not the
original wire seal on, but a much
poorer quality, and appeared to have
been roughly adjusted. Also, the same
seal, to this same door was not
secure, it had apparently been forced
off and put back again loose.
The following commodities were found
to be missing:-
11 Bags of Sugar at 100 lbs = 1100 lbs
7 Bags of Macaroni at 110 lb = 770

S/10672600 Pte. Stend R.A.S.C.
Representative of M.M.I. at Taranto.

(2) TPD/14A.

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PRO - FORM A

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PILFERAGE
AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss 11th MARCH 45..

If at depot, Port, or in transit. ITALIAN SUPPLY DEPOT MONTECATINI

Consigning Depot or Port. 46.B.S.D.:..BARI

Receiving Depot or Port..ITALIAN SUPPLY DEPOT

Method of transport. Rail Open Wagon N°.....

Box " " 309333..

Seals if intact ONE ONLY..

If numbers agree Seal Nos: 514986L - 5149892
with wagon label. YES.....

" " Road Lorry N°.....

Drivers Name.....

Coastwise Ship N° or Name.....

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost :-

... Eleven sacks of Sugar at 100 lbs: Total missing 1100 lbs

... Nine sacks of Macaroni at 110 lbs: Total missing 990 lbs

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

... The wire. Seals on one side of the wagon showed signs of being
tampered with; the usual quality wire seals had been removed and replaced
by a ~~lower~~ quality the Acme Seal; was broken at the joint and replaced
loosely.

S.I.B. Notified Date 13.3.45.

(Date) 13.3.45....

Copy To A.P.H. TARANTO

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Capt. RASC
M.M.I.A. TARANTO

Seals if intact ONLY...

If numbers agree Seal Nos: -5149864 - 5149892
with wagon label. YGS:.....

Read Lorry N°
Drivers Name.....
Constwise Ship N° or Name.....

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost :-

...Eleven sacks of Sugar at 100 lbs: Total missing 1100 lbs
...Nine sacks of Macaroni at 110 lbs: Total missing 990 lbs
.....

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

...The wire seals on one side of the wagon showed signs of being
tempered with, the usual quality wire seals had been removed and replaced
by a ~~lower~~ quality the Acme Seal, was broken at the joint and replaced
loosely.

S.I.B. Notified Date 12.3.45
(Date) 12.3.45

Copy To A.P.M. TARANTO

Notes TARANTO

46 B.S.D.
Italian Supply Depot
MMIA LO 52 AREA

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M.M.I.A. TARANTO
Cant. RASC

Information received from R.T.O. San Nicola

The train arrived at Taranto 1610 hrs 10/3/45 Train N° 8953
N.C.O. i/c Guard signed "everything in order" before leaving Train.

Taranto li II/3/45

D I C H I A R A Z I O N E

178 (B)

In data odierna è giunto il vagone N° 309333 contenente derrate di provenienza Alleata.-

Apparentemente la chiusura sembrava intatta, ma, dopo un attentissimo esame, si è constatato che uno dei due anelli da cui pendeva il sigillo, apparentemente intatto, era stato spezzato.- I ferri ritorti di chiusura erano anche a posto, solo che, esaminati bene, sembravano più sottili di quelli usati normalmente dagli Alleati.-

Si è in tal modo accertato che era stata effettuata una abile manomissione da parte di persone bene attrezzate per la bisogna.-

Lo scarico è stato effettuato alla continua presenza del sottoscritto e del rappresentante della MIA; in ultimo si è potuto accertare che erano state sottratte le seguenti derrate:

Sacchi di zucchero N° II dal lbs 100 ciascuno
 " " Macaroni " 9 " " 110 "

IL SOTTOTENENTE COMMISSARIO

Donato PACIFICI



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Statement of pilferage

1780

Wagon No 309333 was offloaded at the Italian Supply Depot Taranto on the morning of Feb 11th. This truck showed definite signs of being tampered with, reasons as follows. One door to the truck had not the original wire seal on, but a much poorer quality, and appeared to have been roughly adjusted. Also the same seal, to this same door was not secure, it had apparently been forced off and put back again loose.

The following commodities were found to be missing.

11 Bags of Sugar at 100 lbs = 1100 lbs
9 Bags of Macaroni at 110 lbs = 990 lbs

300

S/10672600 Pte. Stead. C. R.A.S.C.

Representative of M.M.I.A. TARANTO.

Italian Navy Pack.

O.C., 28 BSD.

Copy to:- MHA L.O., 52 Area.
O.C., 46 BSD.

file
6 MAR 1945
HQ 22 GRASC (SUP UNITS), G.F.
8/13/1. 5 Mar 45.

CSM E note. 100/17A
Our signal ST/274 notes
1 March has produced the
action - LHM

Reference this HQ letter of even reference dated 9 Feb 45.

1. With effect from incl 20 Feb 45 the scale of flour for Italian Armed Forces has been increased from 12 ozs per man per day to 15 ozs per man per day.

2. The Italian Navy Pack is based on a ration strength of 75,000.

3. The following action will be take by you to effect this increase:-

- | | |
|---|-----------------|
| (a) Daily loading on Italian Navy Pack with effect from 7 Mar 45. | ... 70312½ lbs |
| (b) Additional 3 ozs from 20 Feb to 6 Mar 45. | ... 210937 lbs. |

4. The amount shown in para 3 (b) above will be despatched as soon as rail wagons can be obtained.

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Major A/GRASC,
22 GRASC (SUPPLY UNITS).

Subject :- Pilferage - Italian Navy Pack.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

c/o HQ 52 Area

TPD/17A

6 March 45

To :

O.C. 2nd B.S.D.
RASC.

Reference your 305 dated 25 Feb 45, and
further to my TPD/17 of 23 Feb 45.

1. Attached Statements are forwarded as requested:
(a) Statement by Italian Officer, with knowledge of loss:
(b) Statement by MMIA Representative, who offloaded
wagon in questions.

2. It is not possible to forward Statement by
R.T.C., as he was not available at time of discovery
of loss.

lemm
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA) 52 Area

file
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DI TACCAMENTO PORTUALE ITALIANO
T A R A N T O

Taranto 22 febbraio 1945

in data odierna presso il Deposito Centrale Viveri Militare
è stato aperto Alla mia presenza il vagone N°200673 contenente
farina di provenienza alleata, che all'esterno mancava un
sigillo

Durante lo scarico si è constatato la mancanza di N° 6 sacchi
di farina da LBS. 100 ognuno per complessive LBS 600

Il S. Ten. Commissariato
(COLUCCIA PACILLA Donato)

297

142 (B)

Rail Box Wagon No 200673 was offloaded at the Italian Supply Depot Taranto on the 22nd Feb 45. This truck arrived with only one some seal on. The other one apparently having been taken off, and the wire seal showing definite signs of been tampered with. This truck was opened, and discharged in my presence, and was deficient of six bags of flour at 100 lbs. Making a total of 600 lbs.

S/0672600 Pte. Stead. R. & S.C.

Subject: - Italian Navy Pack Pilferage.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M., I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area.

28 Base Supply Depot, RASC.
Reference No. 305
25 February 1945.

Reference your TPD/17 dated 23 Feb 45, please forward

- i). Statement of R.T.O. discovering loss.
- ii). Statement by an Italian Officer who has knowledge of the discrepancy.
- iii). Statement by personnel who off loaded wagons in question.

Loss action will then be taken by this Depot,

W. S. H. L. L. L.
W. S. H. L. L. L.

Major, RASC.

Commanding 28 Base Supply Depot, RASC.

TV.

Csm off Hq 52 Area
see me today

Ref your letter 305 25 Feb 45
(1) RTO did not discover loss
(2) Here with attached statement of Italian Officer with knowledge of loss also attached statement of Hq 52 Area Ref

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Subject :- Italian Navy Peak - Pilferage Reports.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.S.
(M.I.I.)
c/c HQ 32 Area
TPO/17

Distribution below

22 Feb 45

Herewith enclosed pilferage reports of trucks received at Italian Supply Depot Montecatini Taranto 22 Feb 45. DRS 783 will be rendered at a future date on receipt of A.S.G 1033 of which copies you send by post.

[Signature]
Capt. *[Signature]*
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.S.
(M.I.I.) 32 Area

To : A.P.S. TARANTO
MOVEMENTS
16 A.S.D.
28 A.S.D.
ITALIAN SUPPLY DEPOT

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIRACY

AT, DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT.

Date of discovery of loss 22 Feb 45.....

If at depot, port, or in transit. **J. TANIAN, SUPPLY DEPOT** MONTICATINI TARANTO

Consigning Depot, or Port *Ab. B.S.D.*.....

Receiving Depot at Port Italian Supply. Depot Monticauis. Yacento

Method of transport. Rail Open Wagon No

Box " " " " 715796

Seals if intact *yes*:.....

If numbers agree

with wagon label *Yes*.....

Read Lorry No.

Drivers	Name
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[illegible]

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

Shore. ropes of... P. Ment... and... tubes... 12.03 tons. P. Ment...
Total... missing... 225 lbs... one tin of Pepper... missing... 2.25 lbs.

Any further available information

eg to method employed, etc :-

...four multators in this wagon. none where loaded, and
...it was quiet easily for a. man to get inside the trunk. 29,

S.I.B. Notified Date 22 Feb. 1955... (by Phone 1530 hrs)

(Date) 22-2-15

HALL D. of J. S. Q. Wines & Co
N.Y.C.

Seals if intact *Yes*.....

If numbers agree

with wagon label *Yes*.....

" " " Road Lorry No
Drivers Name

Comstwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost :-

*Shore stores of P. Meat and tins... 12 oz. tins P. Meat...
Total missing... 225 lbs... one tin of Pepper missing 2.25 lbs...
.....*

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

*Loss... mutilated... in... this... wagon... none... when... sealed, and...
... it was quite easily... for... a... man... to... get... inside... the... truck...
.....*

S.I.B. Notified Date *22 Feb 45*... (by Phone 1530 hrs)

(Date) *23-2-45*.....

Copy to A.P.M. TARANTO
Movts TARANTO
46 B.S.D.
Italian Supply Depot
MIA IO 52 AREA *←*

*Off. Secy. to the...
MIA*

REPORT OF LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

AL, BARGE, FORT, OR IN THE DISTRICT

Date of discovery of loss 22 Feb 45.

If at depot, port, or in transit discovered at Italian Sup Depot, TARANTO.

Containing depot, or port 28 B.S.D.

Receiving Depot or Port Italian Supply Depot, Maitland, Canada.

Method of transport, Rail Open Wagon No.

BOX " " 200673.

Seals if intact No. one missing.

If numbers agree Seal No. 5223315 intact

with wagon label the one seal that was left in did

Road Lorry No.

Driver's Name

Coastwise ship No or name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

Six bags of flour @ 100 lbs per sack. Total

600 lbs.

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

Items Seal taken off and sent seals tampered with
door had been forced open

U.I.P. Mailing Date 22 Feb 45. (Phone 1500 hrs.)

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(Ref) 23-2-45.

Sent it intact .. No. ... are missing.
 If suborn agree Seal No. 5223315 intact
 with wagon load! .. the one seal that was left in did

THE

[illegible]

with a good label! the one seal that was left on did

Dr. Irving Berlin

Declaro que este é o meu No. de Nome

element displayed or lost :-

... six bags of flour @ 100 lbs. per sack. Total
600 lbs.

Any further available information

to be noted immediately, also is

..Kems. Seal. taken off and .. went back to .. Thompson of .. with ..
 door. had been. forced open ..

C. T. B. COLLECTED DATA 22. Feb. 65. (Phone 1500 hrs.)

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(Net) 23-2-45.....

Come to A.S.W. Building

model = DNN4MTC

28 E. 5. 7. 1.

Violation: Supply + not

THE END OF THE LINE

A. J. C. L. L. L. L. L. L. L.

FD-302 - FORM 5

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIRATEAGE

AT, DEPOT, PORT, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss 22/2/45If at depot, port, or in transit Station Supply Depot MontserratConsigning Depot, or Port #6 B.S.D.Receiving Depot or Port Station Supply Depot Montserrat

Method of transport. Rail Open Wagon No.

Box " " 198590Seals if intact yes

If numbers agree

with wagon label yes

Road Lorry No.

Drivers Name

Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost :-

One case of Salmon and 29 tins at 1 lb. missing. Total 24 lbs.
 One tin of Coffee. Tins open and 35 lbs. missing.

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

A note had been made on roof of this wagon.

S.I.B. Notified Date 22 Feb 45 (by Phone 1530 hrs)(Date) 23-2-45

Seals 1st Intact . ~~4/6~~^{4/8}....

It's numbers across

with wagon label. *Yes...*

Head Lorry No —

Drivers Name

	
Coastwise Ship No or Name	<u> </u>

Description and quantity of

stores nilfered or lost :-

One pair of Salmon and 29 times at 1 lbs. missing. 24 Oct. 44/45.
One pair of Pappas. hatched. then and 35 lbs. missing.

Any further available information

see to method employed, etc :-

... N. N. had been made in conf. of this wagon.

S. I. B. Notified Date *22 Feb 45*... (by Phone 1530 hrs) 292

(Date) 23-2-25

Conv to A. P. M. TANTO

Movte TANTO

468.8.7.

Italian Supply Denot

July 10 52 Area ✓

Wm. H. ... Capt. 1871-1874.

Subject: - Pilferage Reports of Supplies

File

To: 46 B.S.D. (Discrepancy
Reports to follow on
receipt of G 1023)

APR TARANTO

MOVEMENTS TARANTO

ITALIAN SUPPLY DEPOT MONTACATINI

File

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.T.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPT/17
26 Jan 45

Herewith enclosed Pilferage Reports for
pilferages taken place on railway wagons dispatched
from 46 B.S.D. to Italian Supply Depot Montacatini
TARANTO.

E.L. Munn-Mason
Capt. F.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.T.A.) 52 Area

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PRO-FORMA

Index A.

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIRERAGE

AT DEPT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss 23 January 65.

If at Depot, Port or in transit *Received in Ground*

Consigning Depot, or Port *46 B.S.D. Base*

Receiving Depot or Port *Station Supply Depot - Educational Service*

Method of transports Rail Open wagon No

Box " " *1022408*

Seals if intact *yes*

If numbers agree

with wagon label *Yes... Not written on label*

" " Road. Lorry No

Driver's Name

" " Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost:-

*Rice, 124 lbs. (one hundred and twenty seven pounds) ...
deficient, sack torn open*

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

*Previous to this truck entering Depot administrative R.T.O. ...
Sgt. Nicola, observed that truck had been pilfered; attached
copy of Pithong Report from R.T.O. Capt*

S.I.B. Notified Date 23-1-65

(Date 22-1-65)

L.O. 298
M.M.I.A.
TARANTO

If number is given

with wagen label *Wes*... Not written on label

Food, Lorry No 1

Driver's Name

Coastwise? Ship No or Name

Description and quantitation of

stages suffered or lost :-

Price, 124. lbs. (one hundred and twenty seven pounds.)
deficient, sack. Ten cphs.

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

known to this clerk entering Dept. information, R.T.O....
San Nicolo, discovered that truck had been pilfered; attached
copy of Pilferage Report from R.T.O. Dph.

S.I.B. Notified Date 23.1.43

(Date) 23.01.1965

Peny to A. P. M. TARRANT

Mott's TAFATIO

16957

Italian Supply Depot

MMIA LO 52 AREA.

L. 0293
M. M. I. A.
TARANIO

E. Minnie - Mrs. Capt. R. A. C.

APPENDIX 'E'

FILLPAGE REPORT

TO : (Consignee) IAF Tarente ✓S.I.S. AM/DR Tarente 52 Area/SubareaH.Q.M. TarenteDate Loss discovered 22 Jan 45 Open Wagon No Place Loss discovered Montevideo Box Wagon No 1028408By Whom? Gpl. Godden Seals? ~~Yes~~ Less standardsConsignor BAR 146 B.S.D. Type of wire used for Sealing OK 5 MMDate of Loading 20 Jan 45 Was Train Escorted YesContents Rice In Station, where loss discovered, guarded? YesMISSINGSmall quantity of Rice.Further available information

Loaded at San Nicolas on the 22/1/45 Marche 8975 0530 hrs.
 Train good sheet clear of rifling. Loaded out by IAF to Gpl Godden.
 Wagon hubhole inside of which the bobcase is situated and will
 be scattered on platform of bobcase.

Date loss discovered 22 Jan 45 Open Wagon No. _____
 Place loss discovered Manikatan Box Wagon No. 1028 HOR
 By Whom? Cpl. Gadden Seals? Seals
 Consignor BA. RICHES.D Type of wire used for Sealing SMH
 Date of Loading 20 Jan 45 Was Train Escorted? Yes
 Contents Rice To Station, where loss discovered, guarded? Yes

Small quantity of Rice.

MISSING

Further available information

Unlabeled at San Nicolas on the 22/1/45. March 8975 0530 hrs.
 Train yard sheet clear of liffages. Picked out by IAF to Cpl. Gadden.
 Wagon hatch hole on inside of where the barrow is sighted and rice scattered on platform of barrow.

Date 22/1/45

Signed: [Signature]
 R.I.C. [Signature]

NOTE: If train was escorted, a copy of the N.C.D. i/c train's report will be attached.

Annex A.

AT DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT

11000. 65
H. H. Supply
Sta. Coararick
~~Superintendent, Coararick~~

Consigning Denot, or Port .44... J.S.P... Baet

Receiving Denot or Port *St. Louis, S. W. B. B. Report Toronto*

Box " " 145254

If numbers agree

Good Tenny No

[illegible][illegible]

stores nilfered or lost :-

7
Six pounds. Sixteen. Six at 12. exp. (total amount)...

deficient. Total Difference 141.5 units of force

any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

On examining the book. Seal. Nov. what contact.

~~then added~~ lower classes to the French and Brit. societies.

S. I. E. Notified Date 9-3-1945

(Dated, 22.1.1951)

2. O.
P. 2. Minerva

Seals if intact *Yes.*

If numbers agree

with wagon label *Yes.... Not written on label*

" " " Road Lorry No

Driver's Name

" " " Coastwise? Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost:-

*2. (two) cases of... P. M. L. ... (H. S. L. ... cases) ...
(six) pounds. ... (H. S. L. ... cases) ...
... (H. S. L. ... cases) ...*

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc :-

*On examining this book. Seals there, when intact.
then when four doors to the book and one was open*

S.I.E. Notified Date *23-1-45*

(Dated *23-1-45*)

Copy to A.P.M. TARANTO
Navts TARANTO
46 S.S.D.
Italian Supply Depot
MMIA 40 52 AREA

*L.O.
P. M. L. ...
... R.A.S.C*

SUBJECT :- Discrepancy Reports.

BSD/330/23.

LO.
MEMA.
52 Area. CMP.

Reference Discrepancy Reports attached hereto.

This Discrepancy Report is returned as it refers to three wagons loaded by this depot on three different dates and all relative Issue Vouchers are not attached. Issue Voucher in respect of wagon No. 77195055 was received later and has been attached.

Discrepancy Reports should be made out separately in respect of each Issue Voucher, the number of which should be quoted on the Discrepancy Report and the relative Issue Voucher attached to the Discrepancy Report to which it refers.

If you could please arrange to carry out this procedure it would be greatly appreciated as it simplifies matters at this end when tracing issues concerned and investigating discrepancies.

Field,
1 January, 45.

[Signature]
Major, RASC.
Commanding 46 Base Supply Depot, RASC.

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1150
SUBJECT:- AF. G.1033.

SM TUDOR

28 BSD., RASC., CMP.
Reference No. 401/5
31 December 1944.Liaison Officer hand Forcers,
Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ. 52 Area.

126 14 JAN 1945

1. You have recently returned to this depot several cleared copies of AFs. G.1033 in respect of Issues made to you.
2. These cleared copies have been the actual copies placed in the Trucks when they were loaded. It is pointed out that for each Truck sent to you, AF. G.1033 (in duplicate) is prepared, and forwarded to you by post. These copies bear an Issue Voucher No, and one is marked "SIGN AND RETURN".
3. In future, may the copy marked "SIGN AND RETURN" be cleared, and NOT the Truck Note, as this entails the re-numbering of copies, before they can be placed in support of my account.

WG.

Phogdy
for Major, R.A.S.C.
Commanding 28 Base Supply Depot, R.A.S.C.

Seen - 286

Subject:- Italian Navy Back.

To: 28. R.S.D.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ 58 Area
TPD/17
12 Jan 45

Herewith attached copy of Statement
reference telephone conversation Capt. SHORTLAND -
C.S.R. TUTOR.



(G.P. SURCELL)
Major G.S.
MIA LC TABANTO.

SUBJECT: Italian Navy Pack.

28 B.S.D. R.A.S.C., J.M.P.
Reference No. 305
7. Jan. 15.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o H.Q. 52 Area.

Pilferage of Trucks 201632 and 141697.

1. Confirming telephone conversation of this morning
Capt. Shortland - C.S.M. Tudor speaking.
2. Please forward further statements shewing quantities
off-loaded and quantities vouchered, together with copies of
your Pilferage Reports as rendered to the S.I.B.

*Still require statements of changing of wagon
and total discharged.*

m/nk
Major, RASC.
Commanding, 28 Base Supply Depot, RASC.

PJM.

Copy to: File 401/5.

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file 120/14

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On the morning of 24 December 44 Pte Stead (MIA Representative) reported to me that two wagons looked as though they had been pilfered, on examination of the wagons Nos 141697 and 201632 pilferage had definitely taken place the commodities charged in Wagon No 201632 Flour 168. at 138. 23184 lbs. Sugar 22. at 210. 1 at 100. Total Sugar 4720 lbs. Pepper 1. at 24. 24 lbs. Tomato Paste 49. at 48. 2352 lbs. Deficient from this wagon 4 sacks Sugar, at 210. lbs. 840 lbs.

Wagon No 141697 advised Tomato Paste 49. at 48. 2352. lbs. Pepper 1. at 24. 24 lbs. Flour 152. at 138. 20776. lbs. P/B/L 107. at 88. 9416. lbs. Sugar 28. at 166. 1 at 100. Total Sugar 4748 lbs. Deficient in this wagon 16 sacks Flour at 138. lbs. 2208 lbs. On wagon No 201632. label, was written "This wagon was found with Seal ~~with Seal~~ broken at BRINDISI" and it was also initialed but, undistinguishable.

W. J. Luder esq

DEPOSITO CENTRALE MARE VIVERI
TARANTO

Il sottoscritto, 1° Capitano di Suss/za Grieco Francesco, Consegnatario del Deposito Centrale Viveri di Taranto, dichiara quanto appresso:

"in data odierna, all'atto dello scarico del vagone n°57365, proveniente dal Deposito Viveri Inglese 46 BSD di Bari, si é constatato che uno dei finestrini laterali del carro era stato manomesso dall'esterno. Procedutosi allo scarico si constatava la mancanza di n°7 scatole cartone contenenti ciascuna 48 scatolette di "Salmone" in più da un'altra scatola erano state asportate n°16 scatolette dello stesso prodotto; quindi un ammanco complessivo di "Salmone" in libbre 176.--

Taranto, 11 Gennaio 1945

IL 1° CAPITANO DI SUSTENENZA
CONSEGNATARIO

(Grieco Francesco)



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Il sottoscritto Maresc. Art. Batticciotto Salvatore,
addetto al Distaccamento Portuale Italiano M.M.I.A. di
Taranto dichiara quanto segue:

Il giorno 11 Gennaio 1945 allo scarico di derrate
provenienti dal Deposito Alleato 46 BSD (Bari), alla
presenza del militare alleato Stead si è riscontrato che
il vagone N. 57365 con i numeri dei sigilli intatti
(4108604 = 4108625) è stato manomesso da uno sportello
laterale, mentre veniva esportato il contenuto di sette
scatole di cartone contenente ognuna di esse N. 48 barattoli
di salmone più 16 barattoli. Le scatole di cartone vuote
del loro contenuto si trovavano messe dietro lo sportello
in modo tale che dall'esterno non si notava nessuna
manomissione.

M. Batticciotto Salvatore

Statement of Pte Stead on pilfered wagon

Wagon No 57365 was offloaded at the Italian Supply Depot Montecatini on the 11th Jan 45. All seals on this wagon were intact, but the ventilator at the side of the truck was open. 7 cardboard cartons, which had contained salmon were found to have been broken into, leaving only the empty cartons. 16 tins were also missing from another carton. Total deficiencies 176 lbs.

S/10672600 Pte. Stead. R.A.S.C.

file 100/104

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Il sottoscritto dichiara quanto appresso:
In data odierna, all'atto dello scarico del vagone n. 57365 proveniente dalla base alleata 46 BSD Bari, diretto al Deposito Militare Centrale Viveri di Taranto, si è constatato che uno dei finestrini laterali era stato manomesso dall'esterno. Proceduto allo scarico si è accertato che dal predetto finestrino, era stato asportato il contenuto di 7 scatole di cartone contenenti ciascuna 48 scatolette di salmone più da un'altra scatola erano state asportate 16 scatolette. Ammanco complessivo di salmone Libbre 176.

Taranto II Gennaio 1945

L'UFFICIALE DEL DISTACAMENTO PORTUALE

(S.TEN. COL. RIC. Donato Pacella
Coluccia)

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PAC-FORM

AT INDEX

100/104

REPORT OF LOSS, THEFT, OR MISPLACED

AT DEPOT, PORT, OR IN TRANSIT

Date of discovery of loss 11th January 45
 If at Depot, Port or in transit Station Supply Depot, Northcote, Toronto
 Consigning Depot, or Port 46 B.S.D.
 Receiving Depot, or Port Station Supply Depot, Northcote, Toronto
 Method of transport: Rail Open wagon No. 54365
 Box " "

Seals if intact Yes

If numbers agree

With wagon label Yes...Not written on label

Road Lorry No.

Driver's name

Coastwise Ship No. or Name

Loss intimation and quantity of
 stores pilfered or lost:-

4 Cases at 24 lbs. Salmon, Total 96 lbs. Defunct
 Seven Cases at 20 lbs. Beans, Total 140 lbs. Defunct
 One hundred seventy five pounds

Any further available information
 as to method employed, etc. :-

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On inspection of stores taken the ventilator had been
 broken and the tin taken out of the cardboard
 boxes and empty containers which kept in the truck
 both bags on the truck and were intact, other items sealed

S.A.A. notified 12-1-45

with wagon label *4/25*... Not written on label

Miss J. Loxley

tylver's name

Conestogo, Ohio W. of Home

Used in the quantity of

stores suffered or lost:-

4 Cases at 24 lbs Salmon Total 146 lbs. Deficient

...Served Cases at ... Friendly ... pounds ... Served ...

..... growth of his business jumping me

any further available information

me to method employed, etc. :-

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On inspection of this track the ventilator had been broken and the tire taken out of the overhauled sections, all empty sections where left in the track both Seals on the Truck, under contact, also. None Seals.

W. I. R. Notified by 12-1-44.

(Date) 12-1-84

A. P. M.

Copy to: ~~Mr. J. J. J.~~ Mr. J. J. J.

orta 344370

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Italian Supply Direct

Lib 100/mj

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On the morning of 24 December 44, the Italian Sgt Major who at that time was off loading trucks at MONTECATINI Depot, together with Pte Stead, came to me and reported that trucks Nos 141697 and 201632. Showed signs of pilferage, I went to investigate, and they had definitely been tampered with, there was only (one) seal on each of the trucks, on truck No. 201632 someone had written in pencil. "This wagon was found with seal broken at BRINDISI" both trucks came from 28 B.S.D. Restinco.

Instructions were given to off load the trucks Pte Stead reported later, after the off loading the deficiencies as stated in pilferage report.

W. J. L. E. D. L.

Subject:- Discrepancies

Liaison Officer Land Forces
Sub Command A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ. 52 Area C.M.F.

File BF 12 Jan
28 Base Supply Depot, RASC., CMF.
Reference No:- 401/5
7 January 1945

1. Reference your Discrepancy Report dated 24 Dec 44 in respect of 840 lbs. Sugar and 192 lbs. Tomato Paste pilfered from wagon 201632, forwarded under cover of your TPD/17 of 27 Dec 44.

2. AFG/1033 attached to above quoted letter was the copy from Truck 201632, amended vide your D.R. of 24 Dec 44. (Subsequently, the second copy of AFG/1033 forwarded to you by post) has been returned by you to this Office receipted in full and bearing no reference to Discrepancy Report.

3. In view of your letter TPD/17 dated 4 Jan 45 and statements attached thereto, it is presumed that the second set of AFG/1033 were receipted in full in error.

4. In order that further errors of this nature may be eliminated, it is requested please that the procedure outlined in my letter 401/5 dated 31 Dec 44 be adhered to.

IV.

Not received
No trace of this in files
Major, RASC
Commanding 28 Base Supply Depot, RASC.

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Copy to:- FILE 305.

444-02-024

Appendix A

RECEIVED OF COURTESY FROM THE PLEASANT

AT BECOM, PORTS ON THE TALKING

Date of discovery of loss 24 Dec 64.

If at Depot, Port or in transit .. D.R.Por.
 Consigning Depot, or port .. 28... B.S.D

Receiving Dept., or Port J. L. TILMAN, Supply Depot Monticello, Tennessee

REPORT OF TREATMENT: April ~~1944~~ March 1945. 201632

Box	"	"	...	V ₂₅	...
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Seals in tact. No. one sealant.

4021569

Label No. Not written on label

ADD

3280 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 448, 450, 452, 454, 456, 458, 460, 462, 464, 466, 468, 470, 472, 474, 476, 478, 480, 482, 484, 486, 488, 490, 492, 494, 496, 498, 500, 502, 504, 506, 508, 510, 512, 514, 516, 518, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 532, 534, 536, 538, 540, 542, 544, 546, 548, 550, 552, 554, 556, 558, 560, 562, 564, 566, 568, 570, 572, 574, 576, 578, 580, 582, 584, 586, 588, 590, 592, 594, 596, 598, 600, 602, 604, 606, 608, 610, 612, 614, 616, 618, 620, 622, 624, 626, 628, 630, 632, 634, 636, 638, 640, 642, 644, 646, 648, 650, 652, 654, 656, 658, 660, 662, 664, 666, 668, 670, 672, 674, 676, 678, 680, 682, 684, 686, 688, 690, 692, 694, 696, 698, 700, 702, 704, 706, 708, 710, 712, 714, 716, 718, 720, 722, 724, 726, 728, 730, 732, 734, 736, 738, 740, 742, 744, 746, 748, 750, 752, 754, 756, 758, 760, 762, 764, 766, 768, 770, 772, 774, 776, 778, 780, 782, 784, 786, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 798, 800, 802, 804, 806, 808, 810, 812, 814, 816, 818, 820, 822, 824, 826, 828, 830, 832, 834, 836, 838, 840, 842, 844, 846, 848, 850, 852, 854, 856, 858, 860, 862, 864, 866, 868, 870, 872, 874, 876, 878, 880, 882, 884, 886, 888, 890, 892, 894, 896, 898, 900, 902, 904, 906, 908, 910, 912, 914, 916, 918, 920, 922, 924, 926, 928, 930, 932, 934, 936, 938, 940, 942, 944, 946, 948, 950, 952, 954, 956, 958, 960, 962, 964, 966, 968, 970, 972, 974, 976, 978, 980, 982, 984, 986, 988, 990, 992, 994, 996, 998, 1000, 1002, 1004, 1006, 1008, 1010, 1012, 1014, 1016, 1018, 1020, 1022, 1024, 1026, 1028, 1030, 1032, 1034, 1036, 1038, 1040, 1042, 1044, 1046, 1048, 1050, 1052, 1054, 1056, 1058, 1060, 1062, 1064, 1066, 1068, 1070, 1072, 1074, 1076, 1078, 1080, 1082, 1084, 1086, 1088, 1090, 1092, 1094, 1096, 1098, 1100, 1102, 1104, 1106, 1108, 1110, 1112, 1114, 1116, 1118, 1120, 1122, 1124, 1126, 1128, 1130, 1132, 1134, 1136, 1138, 1140, 1142, 1144, 1146, 1148, 1150, 1152, 1154, 1156, 1158, 1160, 1162, 1164, 1166, 1168, 1170, 1172, 1174, 1176, 1178, 1180, 1182, 1184, 1186, 1188, 1190, 1192, 1194, 1196, 1198, 1200, 1202, 1204, 1206, 1208, 1210, 1212, 1214, 1216, 1218, 1220, 1222, 1224, 1226, 1228, 1230, 1232, 1234, 1236, 1238, 1240, 1242, 1244, 1246, 1248, 1250, 1252, 1254, 1256, 1258, 1260, 1262, 1264, 1266, 1268, 1270, 1272, 1274, 1276, 1278, 1280, 1282, 1284, 1286, 1288, 1290, 1292, 1294, 1296, 1298, 1300, 1302, 1304, 1306, 1308, 1310, 1312, 1314, 1316, 1318, 1320, 1322, 1324, 1326, 1328, 1330, 1332, 1334, 1336, 1338, 1340, 1342, 1344, 1346, 1348, 1350, 1352, 1354, 1356, 1358, 1360, 1362, 1364, 1366, 1368, 1370, 1372, 1374, 1376, 1378, 1380, 1382, 1384, 1386, 1388, 1390, 1392, 1394, 1396, 1398, 1400, 1402, 1404, 1406, 1408, 1410, 1412, 1414, 1416, 1418, 1420, 1422, 1424, 1426, 1428, 1430, 1432, 1434, 1436, 1438, 1440, 1442, 1444, 1446, 1448, 1450, 1452, 1454, 1456, 1458, 1460, 1462, 1464, 1466, 1468, 1470, 1472, 1474, 1476, 1478, 1480, 1482, 1484, 1486, 1488, 1490, 1492, 1494, 1496, 1498, 1500, 1502, 1504, 1506, 1508, 1510, 1512, 1514, 1516, 1518, 1520, 1522, 1524, 1526, 1528, 1530, 1532, 1534, 1536, 1538, 1540, 1542, 1544, 1546, 1548, 1550,

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Description and quantity of stores utilized on 10/21/14

Expendt. to Sachs Sugar at 2.10 lbs. 24.10 lbs.
to Carrer French Cabbage at 2.85 lbs. 24.10 lbs. 19.2.16

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc. :-

Defendant at St. Louis. Defendant Sawyer paid the Town \$840.00
 also a fund) cover of defendant's debt. D. L. H. Town. 1973 lbs.
 written on the books. last was "Sawyer's brother of BARNES"
 I.E. Notified etc

(Date) 26.7.2014

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Copy to: S.I. B. 100-100-100

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Scoring system 2.1

with wagon label .No.... Not written on label

Road, Tony W.

..... 0687 2, 0684-100

Coastal, Shin No Oyama

Description and quantity of

Stones will be paid for cost: 1

Deposit of Sugar Sugar at 2.10 lbs. 1891
to Cash. Amount. 1891 up. at 2.10 lbs. 1891 up.

Any further available information

as to whether employed, etc. :-

Refused at Dr. (Hans) Becker at Summit R. 10 hrs. Jan. 1896.
 Also at Dr. (Hans) Becker at Summit R. 10 hrs. Jan. 1896.
 Another on the track. Ref. was "I had broken at Summit."

M. I. B. notified etc and notified K. ...

(Vote) . 76... 62... 68...

Don't: S.I.R. Theory

Movts TARTARQ

58 D.S.O.

Teaching Supply Denot

Deficient initials

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Subject: Italian Navy Pack.

0110
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.V.I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TFD/17
4 Jan 45

To: O.C. 2F H.S.D.

In reply to your letter of 28 Dec 44:
I enclose (a) Statement of MIA representative as to
loss
(b) Statement of Maresciallo, i/c sec. of
Italian Port Det. at MONTICATTINI Depot.
(c) Statement by O.C. Depot.

The R.T.O. did not discover the loss.

WFOC
— Capt. R.A.S.V.
Liaison Officer TARANTO

Subject:- Italian Navy pack.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area.

23 B.S.D., R.A.S.C., C.M.F.

Ref No:-

28 December 1944.

TPD/17

Reference your TPD/17 dated 27 Dec 44, please forward

- i). Statement of R.T.O. discovering loss.
- ii). Statement by an Italian officer who has knowledge of the discrepancy.
- iii). Statement by personnel who off loaded wagons in question.

Loss action will then be taken by this Depot.

KV

Geo Scotland Capt
Major R.A.S.C.
Commanding 23 Base Supply Depot R.2.3.3.

STATEMENT MMIA REP. TPD/17
AT DEPOT 107

On the 24th Dec at the Italian Supply Depot, Montecatini my attention was called to two wagons, which had arrived with only one seal, instead of the usual two, from 28 A.S.D. Wagon No. 141697 showed definite signs of the wire seals being tampered with. The other wagon 201632 had, written on the wagon bill, at the side of the truck, that this wagon was found with the "Seal broken" at "Brindisi". This truck had apparently been repaired. I was on the spot when these trucks were offloaded, and a report was rendered for the missing commodities.

S/10672600 Pte. Stand.
R.A.S.G.

STATEMENT ITALIAN TOL
SG. TOL

Io sottoscritto Maresciallo Art. Batticciotto Salvatore, addetto al Distaccamento Portuale Italiano di Taranto, a richiesta del Maresciallo Tudor, addetto alla M.W.I.A. di Taranto, dichiaro quanto segue:

Il giorno 24 Dicembre 1944 sono giunti da Restinco Deposito Allesto 28 BSD n. 2 vagoni di derrate portanti rispettivamente il numero 141697 e 201632 provvisti di un solo sigillo, 4023302 al vagone 141697 e 4021560 al vagone 201632.

Si comunica quanto sopra per i dovuti provvedimenti del

CASO.

Maresciallo Art. Batticciotto Salv.
Batticciotto Salvatore

SUBJECT: Pilferage

IMIALO TARANTO

Copy of Hq Mov TARANTO, letter Nov/C4/2 dated 28 Dec 44 is appended for your info.

/CM

Subject:- Pilferage

A.P.M. 52 Area

Copy to: ST 52 Area

C O P Y

Headquarters
MOVEMENTS

TARANTO

Tel : 2036

Ref : Mov/C4/2

Lt Col
ADST

Ref. Discrepancy Reports submitted to you by IMIALO 52 Area, on wagons 141697 and 201632 from 28 BSD to Italian Supply Depot, TARANTO.

1. Your attention is called to the following points :-

(a) Wagon 141697. The ACLE Seal numbers written on the label by 28 BSD were 4022724 and 4022301. The wagon actually arrived with only one seal, viz: 4023302 : as this seal is next in series to one of the original ones, it is presumably came from the same source, viz : 28 BSD. The inference therefore is that the wagon was pilfered and resealed in 28 BSD, either by the pilferer, or by somebody who discovered the pilferage.

(b) Wagon 201632. Written on the label were the words "seals found broken at BRINDISI", so that here again the wagon was presumably pilfered before despatch.

2. The wagons arrived at TARANTO on the same train.

3. In view of the serious nature of these pilferages, it is suggested that SIB be asked to investigate.
In August of this year, this Hq called attention to the regularity with which defective wagons were being loaded at 28 BSD, and that same wagons pilfered. The matter was investigated but at that time no collusion could be established between workers in the Depot and outside gangs.

HQ 52 Area CIT
ST 250/1/1444

30 Dec 44

Subject:- Pilferage

A.P.M. 52 Area

Copy to: ST 52 Area

Headquarters
MOVEMENTS
TARANTO
Tel : 2036
Ref : Mov/C4/2

Ref. Discrepancy Reports submitted to you by MILALO 52 Area, on wagons 141697 and 201632 from 28 BSD to Italian Supply Depot, TARANTO.

1. Your attention is called to the following points :-

(a) Wagon 141697. The ACME Seal numbers written on the label by 28 BSD were 4022724 and 4022304. The wagon actually arrived with only one seal, viz: 4023302 : as this seal is next in series to one of the original ones, it is presumably came from the same source, viz : 28 BSD. The inference therefore is that the wagon was pilfered and resealed in 28 BSD, either by the pilferer, or by somebody who discovered the pilferage.

(b) Wagon 201632. Written on the label were the words "seals found broken at BRINDISI", so that here again the wagon was presumably pilfered before despatch.

2. The wagons arrived at TARANTO on the same train.

3. In view of the serious nature of these pilferages, it is suggested that SLB be asked to investigate.
In August of this year, this HQ called attention to the regularity with which defective wagons were being loaded at 28 BSD, and that same wagons pilfered. The matter was investigated but at that time no collusion could be established between workers in the Depot and outside gangs.

CAH/ED

(Sgd) C.A. HAYGREEN Major
D.A.Q.M.G.(M)
H.Q., Mov, TARANTO
for A.Q.M.G.(M)

APPENDIX A

Appendix A.

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PILFERAGE

AT DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT.

Date of discovery of loss 24 Dec 44...

If at Depot, Port or in transit *French Supply Depot Monticello, Tennessee*Consigning Depot, or Port *AS...R.I.S.D.*Receiving Depot, or Port *French Supply Depot Monticello Tennessee*METHOD of transport: rail ~~car~~ wagon No. *Box 141694*

Box " " " " " " " " " " " "

Seals if intact. *DNS.SAR only 4023302*

If numbers agree

with wagon label No. set written or label

" " " Road, Tonnage No.

Driver's name

" " " Coastwise, ship No. or name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost:-

... 16 (injection) bags French R. 138 lbs. Total 2805 lbs...

... 8ms. Seal only on the truck and main floor. Seal broken.

... *Sealed with...*

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc.:-

... Seals had been broken with, or at the time...

... Seals when missing, the other did not have 269...

... with the on the label. Original Seal No. 4023302/4023301

S.I.B. Notified to *24 Dec 44*(Date) *24 Dec 44**141694*

If numbers agree
with wagon label No. ... not written on label
Road, Town No.
Driver's name
Certificate, ship No or name

Description and quantity of
stores pilfered or lost:-

16 (seventeen) bags, Flav. B. 138 lbs. To lot 2205/108
out. Seal only on other fresh, and small seals. Seal down
tampered with
.....
.....

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc. :-

Seals had been tampered with, one of the same
Seals when arriving with other sealed material. Lot 269
with other sealed labels. Original seal No. 402244/1083351.

S.I.B. Notified etc. 26.11.46

(Date) 26.11.46

[Handwritten signature]

Copy to: S.I.B. TORONTO

Notes TORONTO

46 B.S.D.

Italian Supply Depot

Italian Army and Navy RationsHQ 22 C. I. SC (Sup Units) GOR
8/74 15 Dec 44OO 28 BND HARG
OO 46 BY HARGCopy to:- 27 BND
MELA L.O. 54 Area
MELA L.O. 52 Area ✓

1. Approval has been given for the Italian Army and Navy to be issued with extra rations for Xmas.
2. The following additional rations will therefore be loaded to the Italian Navy and Army on 21 Dec 44 only:-

(a) Italian Navy 75000 rts

Flour	28125 lbs
P. Meat	7031
Cheese Ed	2344
Sugar	4687
Macaroni	14062
Rice	4687
Coffee	2344

(b) Italian Army 61000 rts

Flour	22875 lbs
P. Meat	5718
Cheese Ed	1906
Sugar	3812
Macaroni	11437
Rice	3012
Coffee	1906

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Blackie's Corp
 Lieut-Col.
 22 C. I. S. G. (Sup Units).

PRO-FORMA

Appendix A.

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REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PIERCAGE

AT DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT.

Date of discovery of loss .13 Dec. 44.

If at Depot, Port or in transit *Received at Depot*Consigning Denot, or Port *46 B.S.D.*Receiving Denot, or Port *Italian Army Supply Depot*METHOD of transport: Rail *Cross* Wagon No *1.361422*.

Box " " " " " "

Seals if intact .No Seals.

If numbers agree No.

With wagon label

Road Lorry No

Driver's name

Coastwise, ship No or name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost:-

Three (3) cases of Pullat missing each at 36 lbs
24 lbs missing from other damaged cases each at
12 lbs

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc. :-

On inspection of other wagon seals (44) which found to be
missing from other loaded as through Italy had
been tampered with

S.I.B. Notified etc .14 Dec. 44.

(Date) .14 Dec. 44.

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W. J. J. J. J.

If numbers agree No. 4125836
 with wagon label 4125394
 Road Lorry No
 Driver's name
 Coastwise, ship No or name

Description and quantity of

stores pilfered or lost:-

3 cases of P. heat mixing 36 lbs.
 24 lbs. mixing from other clamped. Tensos
 18 lbs.

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc. :-

On inspection of the wagon seats (tin) pattern found to be
 missing. seats looked as though they had
 been tampered with

S.I.B. Notified etc 18 Dec 44

(Date) 18 Dec 44

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J. J. J. J. J.
 J. J. J. J. J.

Copy to: S.I.B. TARRANT

Novts TARRANT

46 B.S.F.

Italian Supply Depot

M.M. 10 52 RAY

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Letter to Italian Army and Navy

By 22 0000 (sup. Units) GEF
S/TX 148 / 1 7 Dec 44

GC 16 BND 1000
GC 28 BND 1000

Copy to:- 27 B.S.D.
43 B.S.D.
MIA I.C. 54 Area
MIA I.C. 58 Area ✓

CSM to WMC
JPA/7

1. With effect from 8 Dec 44, the following alterations will take place on the Italian Army and Navy packs.
2. In a cycle of four days, P.Meat will be issued on two days, Herrings on one day and Salmon M.R. on one day.
3. Herrings and Salmon M.R. will be issued on the same scale as P.Meat.

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66 Lutes cap
Lieut-Col.
22 G., R., A., S., C. (sup. Units).

Appendix A

AN IMPROVED, PORTABLE, OIL-FIRE ENGINE,

Date) November 1997

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 m label Not written on label

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gives rise to

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Any further available information

as to method employed, etc. in

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Appendix A.

REPORT OF LOSSES DUE TO PILFERAGE

AT DEPOT, PORTS, OR IN TRANSIT.

Date of discovery of loss ... 20th October
 If at Depot, Port or in transit... Discovered at Depot - Loss in Transit
 Consigning Depot, or Port ... 46th B.S.P.
 Receiving Depot, or Port... Italian Army Supply Depot. Saranto
 Method of transport: Rail Open Wagon No

Box " " .. 12153.Seals if intact .. Yes..

If numbers agree

with wagon label. Yes.. Not written on label

" " " Road Lorry No

Driver's name

" " " Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of
 stores pilfered or lost:-

..... 1 (one) case. containing 6 (six) lbs. at 4 lbs.
 Total weight 42 (forty two) lbs.

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc.:-

..... One tin of cheese, was found to have
 been half consumed from another case. Truck.
 untillator seems to have been tampered with... 261

S.I.B. Notified Date ... 20th October ... 1500 hrs. by phone.(Date) 20. October

Off. Ludo. C.S. 1
 for MIA

Copy to: S.I.B. TARANTO

Seals if intact *Yes*.

If numbers agree

with wagon label. *Yes*. Not written on label

" " " Road Lorry No

" " " Driver's name

" " " Coastwise Ship No or Name

Description and quantity of stores pilfered or lost:-

*1 (one) case cheese containing 6 (six) lbs. at 7 lbs.
Total weight 42 (forty-two) lbs.*

Any further available information

as to method employed, etc.:-

*One tin of cheese was found to have
been half consumed from another case. Truck
utilized. Sums to have been tampered with 261*

S.I.B. Notified Date *20th October 1944* by Phone.

(Date) *20 October 44*

Copy to: S.I.B. TARANTO

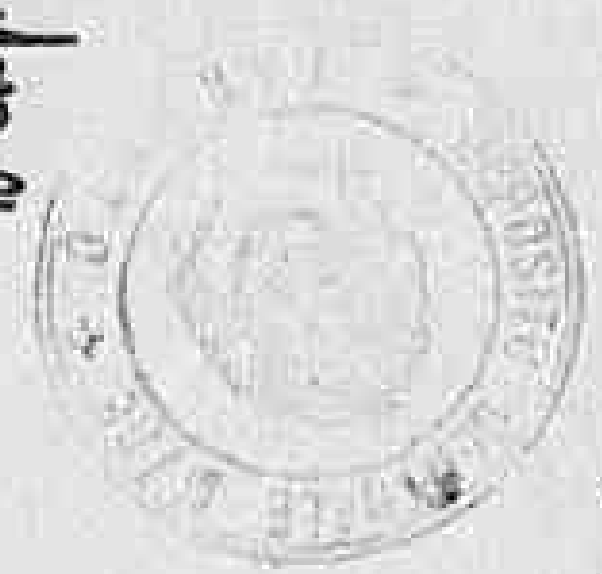
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46 B.S.D.

Italian Supply Depot

*Officer C.S.H.
for M.H.A.*

Wapfling



File 100/17

32 OCT 1944

Confidential

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Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy.To: 46 B.S.D.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.G.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17

1. I have been receiving from you AFG's 1033 covering more than one wagon. I have to point out that this is not in accordance with the instructions contained in my HQ's ST/91 dated 24 July 44 (copy to 13 CRASC Supply Units), which instructions specify one voucher per wagon.
2. When you called on me on 22 Nov, you stated that this office had reported on a Discrepancy report that you had consigned goods undelivered on the issue voucher, but that in fact they had been so advised: I must call your attention to the AB 103 which accompanied wagon 261502 (despatched 29 sep.). This wagon contained 24 lbs pepper, but this pepper was not mentioned on the 103. It is agreed that this commodity is specified in the AFG 1033 marked "COPY" but this document did not accompany the wagon, but was brought to my office by you personally.
3. This is only one instance of such circumstances; others can be shown to you at this office.
4. I feel it only right to point out to you that issue vouchers accompanying wagons have not been correctly prepared.
5. I will send you outstanding receipt vouchers within 48 hours.

24 Nov 44

Copy to: HQ MITA

Wm. S. Macfarland 263
Capt. F.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

Subject:- Pack for Italian Navy.

To:- O.C. Italian Army Supply
Depot, TARANTO

(56) TPD/17
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TPD/17

1. With effect from supplies despatched on 20 Nov 44 by 27 CRASC (British BSD's), receipts will be recorded on FORM ST/3 as well as AB's 10 (or such other vouchers as are provided by BSD's).

2. These forms will be prepared by CSM Tudor in conjunction with O.C. Italian Port Detachment. 4 copies will be prepared, and disposed as follows:-

1. To HQ MMIA
2. To War Ministry
3. To MMIA LO 52 Area
4. Retained by O.C. Depot.

3. They will be prepared on a basis of one per wagon, and will be despatched the day following receipt.

4. CSM Tudor will signal daily to MMIA HQ the commodities and total quantities accented at close of work each day.

5. It will still be necessary to continue sending receipted AB's 10 to the British BSD's: the Forms ST/3 are used for accounting purposes at H.Q. Allied Commission.

21 Nov 44

Ant. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

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Copy to: C.S.M. TUDOR
O.C. Italian Port Detachment
Commissariato, TARANTO
HQ MMIA

Instructions Italian Navy - Daily Brief

Reference:

140 22 01000 Supply Bufile
8/7/44 18 Nov 44

O.C. 22 P.S.D.
O.C. 46 P.S.D.

Copy to: 140 P.S.D. 52 01000

1. Continuing verbal instructions, the following arrangements for the n/a pack will be implemented w.o.f. 17 Nov 1944.

2. The pack will be loaded daily, quantities being loaded as under:-

22 P.S.D. (Continued).

Flour.
Veg. Salted.
S/Meal.
S/Meal.
S/Meal.
Sugar.
Lard.
Lard.

46 P.S.D. (Contd.).

Flour.
Veg. Salted.
S/Meal.
S/Meal.
S/Meal.
Sugar.
Lard.
Lard.

3. It is essential at the present time that the current amounts of each item be loaded each day.

To enable this to be done, 140, 220, less ruled that the following alternatives may be used if certain items are not available:-

For 140/220
For 140/220
For 140/220
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O.C. 22 P.S.D. will ensure that 140, 220, 140, 220, as advised on the daily report when alternatives have to be sent.

4. 140/220 is not at present fully available - supplies are reduced, and O.C. 46 P.S.D. will load full quantities for period 17 - 30 Nov 1944.

5. It will be noted that quantities are not now included in this pack.

6. It is not intended that any extraordinary amounts on this pack shall be dispatched at present - this is under discussion between 140/220 and 140, 220.

7. For information, daily loadings are expected at 140/220.

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The above is a summary of the above information on Italian Navy Pack.

3. It is essential at the present time that the current status of each item be looked over daily.

No details this to be done, USAF, AFM, has stated that the following alterations may be sent as certain items are not available:

For the ^{7/1/57}	For the ^{4/5/57}
For the ^{7/1/57}	For the ^{4/5/57}
For the ^{7/1/57}	For the ^{4/5/57}
For the ^{7/1/57}	For the ^{4/5/57}
For the ^{7/1/57}	For the ^{4/5/57}

USAF, AFM, will ensure that I.I.I.I., I.O., is advised on the daily signal when alterations have to be sent.

4. Toronto Company is not at present fully available - supplies are reduced, and O.G. 46 D.O.D. will have full complement for period 17 - 30 Nov 1954.

5. It will be noted that status are not now included in this page.

6. It is not intended that any authorizing numbers on this page shall be distributed at present - this is under discussion between AFM and I.I.I.I.

7. For information, daily lookups are reported at regular "11".

Robert of total orders issued during the period will be recorded separately from any other system of I.I.I.I. - copies retained.

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Alfred

22 Dec 1954

C.S.M. to read

Seen

Copy of above letter from 22 Dec 1954

11 Dec 1954

Copy of above letter from 22 Dec 1954 is enclosed for I.I.I.I.

Flour.
Veg Dehy.
P/Meat.
~~Herrings.~~
Cheese.
Sugar
Macaroni.
Rice.
P/B/L
Tomato Catsup.
Coffee.
Pepper.

56,250
 4,687.5
~~7,032~~
~~7,032~~
 4,687.5
 4,687.5
 14,062.5
 4,687.5
 9,375
 2,343.8
 2,343.8
 23.5

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Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy

To: C.C. 1.6 BSD.

(49)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.S. (A)
c/o 32 HQ 52 Area
TPD/17

Reference WITA's ST/01 dated 7 Nov 44
(copy to you) para 1: will you agree to the course
suggested by me in my TPD/17 of 1 Nov. para 3?

9 Nov 44

Copy to:- HQ, WITA.

W.H.K. Capt. R.A.S.G.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

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SUBJECT :- Rations for Italian Navy-Discrepancy Report.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/91

7 Nov 44.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
c/o HQ 52 Area.

Your TPD/17 of 1 Nov 44 added OC 46 BSD refers.

1. Academically speaking a WO Class II's' signature on Discrepancy Reports is inadequate. In your case you have the alternative of -

- (a) Withholding despatch of D.Rs to OC 46 BSD until you are present to sign them.
- (b) Continuing the present system with the agreement of OC 46 BSD.

The matter is one to be decided upon the relative merits of a signature as compared to waste of time.

2. In the view of this HQ AFHQ Supply Instructions were designed to establish a smooth working procedure within the RASC theatre organization. Consequently certain latitudes are allowed in order to simplify accountancy.

Such latitudes are permissible because the various transactions affect only the British Government.

In the particular case under review however, the transactions are international and the Italian Government is required to accept charges raised by the British Government for goods supplied to the Italian Navy.

This being so, the representatives of the Italian Government, i.e. the local Commissariato, are perfectly in order in requiring they shall be charged only with what they actually receive.

It is for this reason that M.M.I.A. Administrative Instruction No. 3 specifies that Acceptance Notes shall be based on net weights.

It is NOT agreed therefore that the full provisions of AFHQ Supply Instructions Nos 15 and 18 can be held to apply in this instance.

3. Although the term "busted" is usually understood as synonymous to "broken" or "damaged" will you please instruct your Warrant Officer to use the more orthodox terms which will be understood by all concerned.

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B.L. Perceval
B.L. PERCEVAL.
Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

BLP/jc

Copy To :- A/Q
HQ 22 GRASC (Sup Units)
OC 46 BSD.

Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy.

CSM - please note - (read of file)
46
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (NMIA)
c/o H.Q. 52 Area

To: Commissariato, TARANTO

TPD/17

1. I have now obtained my H.Q.'s instructions as to whether the rations in BRINDISI D.D. can be issued direct to the Italian Navy.
2. **2** Issues to the Navy can be made from any depot under your command.
3. You are requested to ensure that issue and Receipt Vouchers (ST Forms 8) be stamped "R.M." in accordance with the existing regulations. Total issues to the Navy must also be ~~endorsed~~ ^{endorsed} on the reverse of each Stock Movement Return (as in the case of MONTECATINI Depot).
4. Will you also please ask BRINDISI D.D. to telephone to you each day the amounts issued to the Navy, as such information is required from time to time by my H.Q. You will please keep a daily record in your office.
5. Will you please remind C.C. MONTECATINI Depot to keep a record of his receipts from British sources for the Navy on the basis of a separate entry for each wagon, not a daily consignment. This was the original arrangement by Capt. FREELAND with Col. BALDINI, and is required by my H.Q.

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7 Nov 44

W404
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy.

To: 46 RSD.

MMIA. LO.
c/o HQ 52 Area

TPD/17

1. I received your RSD/370/23 dated 22 Oct 44, to-day: for some reason it had been sent to me by you via my HQ.
2. I have signed all the DR's and return them herewith: I do not agree that they were ~~incorrectly~~ compiled. Except in the case of Tomato Catsup, all details have been given that are within the knowledge of my detachment here. I have enlarged statements as to Tomato.
3. With regard to your para 2: I am the only ST MMIA LO here, and am responsible for GALASSIA ~~as well~~: this necessitates my being away for anything up to a week: as DR's have to be sent to you at once, there is no alternative but for my W.O. to sign and despatch. If you care to return them to me at a later date, I will of course countersign them.
4. I am perfectly satisfied that these DR's have been accurately and conscientiously prepared by my staff. If goods are advised at the wrong weights, as in the case of Tomato Catsup, they will be reported as discrepancies by the Italian Army Depot. I am unaware that this Depot, as receiving agency for the purchasing Government, is bound by AFHQ Supply Instructions: in any event, my Det. cannot order them to take goods on charge at a greater weight than in fact received. This is obviously a matter that will have to be discussed at a higher level. Furthermore the Depot is scrupulously accurate and fair, as is evidenced by several advised on DR's ²⁵⁶ goods that were not advised by you at all. If discrepancies are raised, it follows that your staff will be put to work, and I cannot follow your argument that this is unnecessary.
5. I feel sure I would enjoy a visit to your Depot, but am of the opinion that greater benefit would result if you or one of your officers were able to visit the Italian Depot, and see that these discrepancies are genuine.

2. I have signed all the reports and found them correct. I do not agree that they were incorrectly compiled. Except in the case of Tomato Gatsun, all details have been given that are within the knowledge of my detachment here. I have enlarged statements as to Tomato.

3. With regard to your para 2: I am the only ST MMIA LO here, and am responsible for CALLER's work. This necessitates my being away for anything up to a week: as DR's have to be sent to you at once, there is no alternative but for my W.O. to sign and despatch. If you care to return them to me at a later date, I will of course countersign them.

4. I am perfectly satisfied that these DR's have been accurately and conscientiously prepared by my staff. If goods are advised at the wrong weights, as in the case of Tomato Gatsun, they will be reported as discrepancies by the Indian Army Depot. I am unaware that this Depot, as receiving agency for the purchasing Government, is bound by AFHQ Supply Instructions: in any event, my Det. cannot order them to take goods on charge at a greater weight than in fact received. This is obviously a matter that will have to be discussed at a higher level. Furthermore the Depot is scrupulously accurate and fair, as is evidenced by several advised on DR's ²⁵⁶ goods that were not advised by you at all. If discrepancies are raised, it follows that your staff will be put to work, and I cannot follow your argument that this is unnecessary.

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1 Nov 44

Copy to: HQ MMIA.

W.H.S.
Cent. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

URGENT

Subject: Rations for Italian Navy.

To: HQ. MMIA.

MMIA. TO.
c/o HQ 52 Area

TPD/17

- In reply to your signal ST/416 dated 31 Oct:
Receipts from British BSD's for Italian Navy from 24 to 31 Oct inclusive are:-

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Lbs</u>
Flour	436352
P. Meat	112570
Sugar	37580
Rice	9504
Matches	10736 <i>under</i>
Veg. Dehyd	14076
Fish	Nil

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Lbs</u>
Macaroni	65329
Coffee	11007
Coffee Beans	7672
Beans & peas	18800
Cheese	32883
Tomato catsup	4144
Pepper	103

2. Issues to Navy from 1 to 31 Oct are:-

<u>Commodity.</u>	<u>Lbs</u>
Rice	82140
Cheese	89862
P. Meat	219315
Flour	1012052
Sugar	60018
Veg? Dehyd	62020
Tomato	31382

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Lbs</u>
Beans peas	151155
Fish	1550
Coffee	34545
Pepper	382
Macaroni	83617
Matches	195000 boxes
Butter	38200
canned Spread	

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3. Consignment are now being received of coffee beans: will you please instruct as to scale of issue.

1 Nov 44

under
Capt. R.A.S.G.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

Flour
P. Meat
Sugar
Rice
Matches
Veg. Dehyd
Fish

436352
112570
37580
9505
10736
14076
Nil

Macaroni
Coffee
Coffee Beans
Beans & Peas
Cheese
Tomato
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Rice
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canned Spread

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58200

255

3. Consignment are now being received of coffee beans: will you please instruct as to scale of issue.

1 Nov 44

WMS

Capt. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

785020

SUBJECT:- Discrepancy Reports.L.O.,
M.M.I.A.,
52 Area.

"S & T. MMA.

Recd

File ST/

110/17
11/30/23.43
Recd1 Nov 61
M.M.I.A. Lc
52 Area.

The Discrepancy Reports which have been raised by Italian Navy Depot, TARANTO, are returned herewith.

1. I would point out that in many cases these documents are incorrectly compiled (details of number of cases deficient or how deficiencies arise to be shown) and in their present state would not be accepted by the Financial Adviser, A.F.H.Q., as support to my Provision Supply Account. The term "busted" is not understood.
2. Further, these same documents are compiled and signed by a W.O. II for and on behalf of M.M.I.A. I feel that the responsibility for the issue of Supplies to the Italian Forces from a Depot commanded by an Officer of Field Rank, supervised by a Captain R.A.S.C. responsible for loading and a Subaltern on whose charge these Supplies are held, requires the countersignature of a Commissioned Officer of H.M. Forces. Would you therefore please sign such past and future Discrepancy Reports as correct and accurate.
3. I feel that if you care at any time to visit this Depot and see for yourself the care which is taken with Supplies in general and the principles of operation, you would realise just how much unnecessary work, in connection with Discrepancy Reports raised by the Italian Navy at Taranto, is carried out by my Staff. I would, in conclusion, point out that many Supply Packs are a nominal weight and in this connection you are requested to peruse A.F.H.Q. Supply Instructions Nos. 15 and 18 where such details applicable to Supplies may be found. The Supplies received at "nominal" weights are of course issued at such weights in accordance with Instructions, and in this connection the Discrepancy Reports for Tomato Catsup will not be admitted.

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R. Boulton

Major, R.A.S.C.

Commanding 46 Base Supply Depot, R.A.S.C.

Field.
22 Oct 44.

TPD/17
SUB: Supplies for Italian Navy.

RSD/320/3/4A

S.L.O.
M.M.I.A.
C/O, H.Q., 52 AREA
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Reference your TPD/17 dated 24 October 44.

1. It is regretted that flour contaminated by Kerosene should have been forwarded for consumption by personnel of the Italian Navy.

2. The circumstances attendant on this misfortune are as follows : -

Wagons Nos. 3004 and 1007483 arrived from Port of Discharge loaded with flour. It was considered economical to check the wagons for accuracy of loading and this established, reassign to ultimate consignee.

3. It would be appreciated if you would reassign the damaged flour to me when steps will be taken to replace an equivalent quantity.

This unfortunate incident is regretted.

Field
27 Oct., 44.

A. Gaudin
Major, R.A.S.C.
Commanding 46 Base Supply Depot., R.A.S.C.

Copy to: 22 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup. Units)
H.Q., M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy.

To: 33 GRAV Supply Units.

WIA. HQ.
c/o B. 57 Area

TWD/17

1. Further to my letter (same reference) of 24 Oct. addressed 46 B.S.P., copy to you: the flour has now been sorted, and 2770 lbs is alleged to be unfit for human consumption.

2. As you have agreed to replace this flour in kind, (reference tel. conversation Capt. RITCHIE - self, do-day), will you please let me know when you will be sending transport so that the Italian Army Depot can backload the contaminated flour.

27 Oct 44

Wase
Cent. P.A.S.O.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

Copies to: 46 B.S.D.
HQ WIA.
Commissariato, TARANTO

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Subject: ~~Nations~~for Italian Navy

To: 46 B. S. D.

W/LA. LO

c/o HQ 52 Area

TPD/17

1. I informed you (Major CARLTON) on the telephone to day that 44 sacks of flour had yesterday arrived in the TARANTO Italian Army Supply Depot, contaminated by kerosene.
2. A further 29 sacks arrived to-day likewise contaminated.
3. The wagons concerned were: a) 3004 b) 1007483
4. I have personally examined the sacks and wagons, and have to emphasize that there is no possible doubt of the above.
5. The dunnage in both the wagons was reported by Italian O.C. to be damp, and smelling of kerosene.
6. It appears as if wagons recently used for carrying kerosene are being sent to you for carrying suns. It will be appreciated if you will please take immediate steps to prevent a recurrence of this.
7. In the meantime, I am having the flour sorted under the supervision of the Italian Army Analyst, and will advise you of the amount considered by him to be unfit for human consumption.

M.H.A.C.

Capt. R.A.S.C.

Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

24 Oct. 44

Copies to:

22 CRASC Supply Units
Movts BARI
HQ MSTA

Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy.

To: 22 GRA SC Supply Units.

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52 ARBA
for MIA. LC.

TPD/17

Considerable extra unnecessary work and confusion has been caused at MONTECATINI Italian ASD by the fact that:-

P. Meat has been despatched in sacks advised on AB 5108 (in lieu of AB 10) as "various tins," with a total in lbs. The tins have always been carefully checked with MIA representative present: in no instance has the total co-incided with that advised, and in one case there was a deficiency of over 1000 lbs.

Will you please ask ASD to ensure that advices co-incide with goods loaded.

8 Oct. 1944

Copy to: L6 ASD
HQ MIA

WHDc. Capt. P.A.B.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

Reserve Rations.H.Q. 22 C.R.A.S.C. (Sun Units), CMF.
8/73/1 27 Sept '44.
=====

O.C. 46 B.S.D.

Copy to:- MMIA LO 52 Area.
28 B.S.D.
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TPD/17 (24)

The Italian Navy are authorised to hold 1,500,000 Reserve Rations.

All commodities required to make up this Reserve have been despatched from Restinco with the exception of the following:-

Tomato Catsup or Paste.	46875 lbs.
Coffee	7827 "

Coffee to make up the Reserve will be despatched by you at your earliest, while the Tomato Catsup or Paste, which is due in this installation in the near future, will also be despatched on receipt.

Please inform this office when the amounts of both commodities shown above are despatched.

CSP: This is the "30 days reserve build up"

- (1) Check that coffee is ~~sent~~ as above
(2) Report to me when build up of both coffee & Tomato ~~is~~ received for either of them)

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Lieut. Col.,
22 C.R.A.S.C. (Sun Units).

tenance of Italian Navy.HQ 22 CRASC (Sun Units)
8/73/1 19 Sept '44

OC 46 BSD

Copy for: Mov (Rail) East Italy.
Mov (Rail) Bari.
MMIA.LO. 52 Area
OC 28 BSD.
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REPORT (PUB)

1. Wef loading Friday 22nd Sept '44, against a Rail allocation of 75 tons daily, you will consign a daily pack of 75,000 rations (breakdown shown below) for the Italian Navy, to the Italian Army Supply Depot, MONTECATINI, TARANTO.

2. After despatch of each pack, a signal will be sent to MMIA 52 Area, repeated this HQ, showing Wagon Nos., Commodity and amount of each item despatched.

If through any unforeseen circumstances a pack is not loaded, an immediate signal will be despatched to MMIA.LO. stating cause of non-despatch.

3. Appropriate documents will be sent with each pack, while two copies of AB 10s for each wagon will be sent by post to MMIA. LO., 52 Area. Will MMIA. LO. please arrange for an Italian Navy Officer to be present at each loading?

Will OC 46 BSD please note that the presence of this Officer does not constitute official acceptance by the Italian Authorities and that all Loss Action will be taken by the Despatching BSD.

4. A Return will be submitted to this HQ by the 5th of each month giving details of all issues made during the previous calendar month.

5. Daily Breakdown.

Flour	56250 lbs	Pulses(Veg Del)	4687.5 lbs
P. Meat(or Pres Fish)	14062.5 lbs	Cheese	4687.5 lbs
Sugar	4687.5 lbs,	Macaroni	14062.5 lbs
Beans/Peas Dried	9375 lbs	Tomato Catsup or Paste	2343.8 lbs
Coffee	2343.8 lbs	Pepper	23.5 lbs
		Matches	10704.3 boxes
			per week.

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A. Pennock (P)
Lieut. Col.,
22 CRASC(Sun Units)

Macaroni.

TPD/17

HQ 22 CRASC (Sup Units). CMF.
8/73/1. 16 Sept 44.S.T. 54 AREA.

1. Complaints have been made by MMIA that Macaroni supplied by 51 Masi has shown external mould growth on receipt into Italian Supply Depots.
2. This has been confirmed and the WD Analyst has condemned a quantity.
3. An investigation was made into the cause and the present method of packing may be at fault as the accompanying report shows.
4. May the possibility of use of Eburite cartons be investigated with a view, if suitable, to replacing the sacks by these cartons.

W. M. Z. White
Lieut. Col. 247
22 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units).

Copy to:- OC 46 BSD - for action under para 3 of accompanying report.
OC 28 BSD.
MMIA., LO., TARANTO } for information.

17 SEP 1944

Macaroni.

22 CRASCO (sup Units).

10 Sept 44.

Reference MILIALO (Taranto) letter TPD/17 of 4 Sept 44 and

1. I have examined the raw materials, manufacture and transport of macaroni from British to Italian Depots and report as follows.

2. Flour. This is the main raw material - water being the second requirement. The flour supplied is of normal quality and its use in British bakeries has not given rise to trouble in bread. The moisture content varies from 11.7 to 13.8% which is well within normal limits. In addition the flour is quite sweet and free from mouldiness. Occasionally concretions are found in the flour due to dampness occasioned by sea damage.

3. Sacks. These are not a normal pack for macaroni. In the main the sacks are flour sacks of satisfactory quality but some are made from Heslian and are poor quality. In a few sacks small patches of mould may be found. These sacks should immediately be discarded and brought up for condemnation. Macaroni is normally packed in wooden cases or cardboard cartons and it is suggested that white cartons be given a trial for this purpose, if carefully handled it should be possible to use these cartons on several occasions.

4. Di Lusi Factory. This factory has been re-visited and I am satisfied that the preparation of the macaroni is carried out in a suitable manner. Samples taken from the factory have a moisture content of 6.8% and 9.1% respectively which is well below the permitted maximum of 13.0%.

5. Macaroni at 45 BSB. Samples are taken from time to time and have all had moisture figures below 10%. Samples taken this week gave results as follows.

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6. Transportation between BSB's. The supply is loaded into box wagons. Two recently inspected at 25 BSB after receipt and prior to re-shipment to Taranto were 1005530 (all ventilators closed) and 77195502 which had two damaged ventilators. The damage in the latter wagon was such that inclement weather could have little or no effect on the macaroni.

7. Macaroni at 28 BSB. A small quantity is stored in shed 05 and is in good cool well ventilated storage. The macaroni in stock was of satisfactory quality, the moisture content being 9.2%. The sacks were also satisfactory and free from mould.

8. The only recommendation I have to make is that the quality of the packing be improved. This might be achieved by the use of white cartons. In this connection it may be pointed out that American macaroni is packed in cardboard cartons.

Lt. J. J. Jones 17 SEP 1944
Major., W.D. Analyst. RASC.

COPY.

O.C. 30 Som.L.I. INCIDENT REPORT.

Mov 5400 area Serial No B/9A/97
 D.A.P.M. Date 29 AUG.44
 S.I.S.

I.O. 30 Som.L.I.
 M.M.I.A.L.O.

Date of incident 28 AUG 44 Consignor B.S.D.
 Place of incident Montecatini Restinco
 By whom noted L/Cpl. Sloman
 Guard No BR311 Consignee Italian Navy and Supply Depot.

Train No 4043#5 Date of loading
 Open wagon No Contents

Box Wagon No 101325 Contents Macaroni

Method of sealing

Was train escorted

Time reported to R.T.O. at hrs.

Time phoned to D.A.P.M. at hrs.

REMARKS: Sir, O/C Italian Navy and Army Supply Depot made a complaint that a truck had arrived in a pilfered condition. I examined the truck, which had been off-loaded, and found it had been entered through the floor boards and two sacks of macaroni ripped open. 70lbs. of macaroni are deficient. The a/m truck was escorted by "D" Coy. Guard No; 311 to Taranto, and from Taranto to Montecatini by Ausonia Guard. While the hole in the floor was considerable, it was difficult to see owing to its being central. Furthermore it was obvious that the hole had been made some time ago; therefore it follows that the truck had been loaded in this condition. This is one more complaint of careless loading by M.B.S.D. Restinco. Under the circumstances,

Signed

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Place of Incident _____
By whom noted L/Cpl. Sloman
Guard No BR311
Train No 404325
Open wagon No _____
Box Wagon No 101325
Method of sealing _____
Was train escorted _____
Time reported to R.T.C. _____ at _____ hrs.
Time phoned to D.A.P.M. _____ at _____ hrs.

Consignee Italian Navy and Supply

Depot.

Date of loading _____

Contents _____

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Signed _____

Further available information.

the wagon might have been pilfered Brindisi Montecatini inclusive and any intermediate station. Further to B.S.D. Restinco the O.C.I.W.S.D. has made repeated complaints of short loading from this consignor.

Signed L.G. Sloman L/Cpl;
Intelligence Section;
30 Som.L.I.

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Major,
(J.W.C. Parías)

O.C. "B" Coy. 30 Som.L.I.

Subject:- Rations for Italian Navy.

To: CRASC Supply Units.

MMIA Sector L.O.
TARANTO.

TPD/17

Further to my letter (same ref.) of 4 Sep. 44,
para 4: the quality of the macaroni during the past week
has slightly improved, but it is still very humid.

10 Sep 44

W.H.S.C.

Capt. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer.

~~Copy to: H.M.I.A.~~

Subject: Rations for Italian Navy.

To: ADST 52 Area

MPIA Sector L.O.
TARANTO.

TPD/17

at this stage In reply to your ST 230/18 of 31 Aug, it is quite impossible to estimate the quantity of each commodity found on the floor of the railway wagons. In any event, much of the food would be lost while being carried to the stacks.

It is not admitted that correct loading is substantiated by signature of Italian representative at point of loading. AAI instructions are definite that acceptance takes place at point of off loading. In spite of this, BSD's persist in fetching an Italian Officer to be present at loading. While this in itself is not unreasonable, exception is taken to BSD's demanding his signature to any documents. In one event he was asked to sign when only 3 out of 17 wagons had been loaded.

Documents sent are returned.

1 Sept 44

Wise
Cent. R.A.S.C.

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Subject: - Maintenance of Italian Navy.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.
(MATA), Rome.
ST/91.

MMIA Sector LO, c/o HQ, 52 Area.

Conv to:- DNST, HQ, A.A.T. (Conv of ST/91 dated 20 July 44).

Direz. Gen. Commissariato.
Italian War Ministry.
HQ, 13 CRASO (Supply Units).
A/Q. MMIA.

Further to this HQ letter ST/91 of 20 July 44.

The following instructions will be put into effect for consignments ex British sources for the maintenance of the Italian Navy.

1. Documentation.

- (i) Consignor will place in each rail truck one (1) copy of A.B.10 showing the truck contents.
- (ii) Consignor will forward by post to consignee two (2) further copies of A.B.10 to be disposed:
 - a. One (1) copy to be signed by a British Officer representative and an Italian Officer representative of consignee depot and returned to consignor as a receipt voucher.
 - b. One (1) copy to be similarly signed and retained by the consignee as a voucher to his depot accounts.

(iii) For each consignment, the consignor will place in one of the rail trucks a Master Waybill, giving details of the whole consignment. The truck label of the truck containing this document will be endorsed accordingly to permit quick identification. The Master Waybill is not an accounting document.

This is probably a misprint for Consignor (iv)
Consignee will affix usual truck labels and is responsible for sealing trucks before handing over to Movements for despatch.

Note

Under this system each truck load is treated as a separate consignment and accounting is effected on that basis. C.C., Italian Depot should therefore follow suit and record receipts in his accounts on a truck basis and NOT on total consignment basis.

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2. Pilferage in Transit.

(1) Deficiencies at point of acceptance which reasonably may be attributed to pilferage, due to broken or damaged truck seals or other circumstantial evidence, will be dealt with as follows:-

- a. MYTA Sector T.C. will be responsible for reporting the circumstances to S.I.B. immediately and requesting S.I.B. to investigate.
- b. Consignee, in conjunction with Sector T.C., will prepare a Pilferage Report (Appendix A hereto) in quadruplicate, copies being disposed as follows:-

1. One copy to Consignor.

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MIA Sector L.O. Teranto.
Phone: 2258

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C. 13 CRASC (Sup Units),
C.M.F.

Confirming interview (Capt Burton - Capt Pralant) of 24 Jul 44. In accordance with instructions received from DEPT A.A.I. and H.M.I.A., the suggested procedure for receipt of supplies for Italian Navy is outlined below.

1. Acceptance by Italians.
Point of acceptance by the Italian authorities will be the point at which rail trucks are off-loaded. Any discrepancies will be verified at the time by a MIA representative.
2. Documentation.
Three copies of A.B.10's to be forwarded to consignee for each truck loaded, one to be returned to consignor signed by C.C. Depot and a MIA L.C. It is agreed that the latter will be forwarded weekly.

3. Movement.
All trucks despatched will be notified by Immediate Signal to MIA Sector L.O. C/O ST. 58 Area. Daily tonnage will not exceed 150 tons per day without reference to this office in order that necessary increase of labour can be effected. A Nil signal will be sent should no trucks be loaded on any day. Trucks will be labelled "ITALIAN Army Supply Depot Montecatini, Teranto."

4. Discrepancies.
Discrepancies will be dealt with in the normal British way i.e. Discrepancy Reports will be completed and two copies forwarded to consignor. Should signs of pilferage be apparent e.g. broken seals, C.I.E. will also be informed. All such reports will be signed by both MIA and Italian Depot Officers.

5. Receipts obtained at point of loading.
In view of para 1 above, signatures of Naval Officers (Italian) at present being obtained by you will not constitute as an official receipt from the Italian authorities.

Will you kindly confirm contents of this letter.

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H. J. Jell

1. Acceptance by Italians.

Point of acceptance by the Italian authorities will be the point at which rail trucks are off-loaded. Any discrepancies will be verified at the time by a NMIA representative.

2. Documentation.

Three copies of A.B.L.O's to be forwarded to consignee for each truck loaded, one to be returned to consignee signed by C.J. Depot and a NMIA L.O. It is agreed that the latter will be forwarded weekly.

3. Movement.

All trucks despatched will be notified by Immediate Signal to NMIA Sector I.O. 0/0 St. P. Area. Daily tonnage will not exceed 150 tons per day without reference to this office in order that necessary increase of labour can be effected. A NII signal will be sent should no trucks be loaded on any day. Trucks will be labelled "ITALIAN Army Supply Depot Montecatini, Tarento."

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25 Jul 44.

Copy to: DIST., 2 District.
ADST., HQ NMIA.
PIO., NMIA Tarento. ✓

Capt., R.A.S.C.,
NMIA Sector I.O., Tarento.

A. D. D.

Supplies for Italian Navy ex 28 S.S.D.

Instructions to S.T. Liaison Staff, TARANTO

Documentation

1. Make a List of trucks expended and advised by BSD, with their contents. This is done by decoding the daily signal from BSD, with their aid of the Supply Code in File 17.
2. When trucks arrive, compare this list with AB's 10 and Master Copy, and also with AF'G 1033 if they have reached the Depot.
3. After discharge, enter contents on daily "Prospect", noting any deficiencies.
4. At end of day, get AB's 10 signed (all three copies) by Depot Commander, noting any discrepancies on the reverse side. There should be 3 copies sent by BSD. If only 2, make a third.
5. Make out a discrepancy report in triplicate, despatching 2 copies to the BSD. This is signed by Depot Commander, and countersigned by MIA Officer or NCO.
6. If AF'G 1033 have arrived from BSD, get them signed by Depot Commander. If there are any discrepancies, alter the amount to that actually received, but so that you can still read the original amount. ~~There~~ If there are only 2 copies, get a third one made for MIA file.
7. Do not send any receipted 1033's or AB's 10 to the BSD until further instns are received from Sector L.O. or G3.

26 July 44.

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Capt. R.A.S.C.

M.M.I.A. Port Liaison Officer, TARANTO

5. Make out a discrepancy report in triplicate, despatching 2 copies to the BSD. This is signed by Depot Commander, and countersigned by MIA Officer or NCC.

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~~XXXX~~ If there are only 2 copies, get a third one made for ~~XXXX~~ file.

7. Do not send any receipted 1033's or AB's 10 to the BSD until further instructions are received from Sector L.O. or me.

26 July 44.

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Capt. R.A.S.C.

M.M.I.A. Port Liaison Officer, TARRANT.

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Tel : BARI 13869

Subject:- Italian Small Arms.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, A.C.
(MMIA) c/o HQ 54 Area

Ref : LO/13/AQ
15 June 45

To:- Movements, BARI (Shipping)
Movements, TARANTO (Shipping)

1. Information has been received that 584 Cases of assorted Italian Small Arms are due to arrive shortly at BARI or TARANTO, consigned from Br. Ord. Depot, ALEXANDRIA.
2. Freight form reference is understood to be S/ME4/166: Number. Traffic 6/1925.
3. Please may we be informed as to name of ship and date and time of arrival, etc, so that adequate arrangements may be made to receive these stores

E.L. Mammia-Mammia
Capt. RA
for Senior MMIA LO
Eastern Italy

EMM/jd

Copy to:- C.S.M. Tudor, MMIA TARANTO
9 Terr HQ, Dir. Artiglieria

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Tel-Bari 11458.

SECRET

Subject:- Stores.

Liaison Office,
Land Forces, Sub Comm.,
A.C.(MMIA) c/o 54 Area.

Ref. ST/45.

18 June 45.

To:- Movements, BARI
Movements, TARANTO

923 Cases of M.T. Spares consigned to "Maggazzino Centrale ROME" (Italian Army Central Stores Depot) are expecting to arrive at either BARI or TARANTO, on arrival will you please notify 9 Territorial Command HQ BARI, with a copy to this office.

(Signed) T. TRUSCOTT
Maj.
For Senior MMIA LO.
Eastern Italy.

Copy to:- C.S.M. Tudor. (Taranto) (for information - please keep check on
this)
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