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Reports To MMIA

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July 1, 1944 - Nov. 16, 1944

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Subject:- Report No.56

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
Ref.ORD/B/I.
16 NOV 44.

Hq. Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.).

Para:XXXIV With reference to A/N BAR 67, the number of boots British (new) 135 prs only came to light on the 14th Nov.44 during re-stacking. These boots must have come into LA ROCCA many months ago before I took over this Depot. As the new Boots British were being sent to Ordnance, BARI, I took these onto my stock records by A/N and made the issue note out to Ordnance BARI.

M. Hubbard. Major.
D.A.D.O.S. (MMIALO)
C/o 54 Area.

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Liaison Officer
Military Mission
Italian Army
54 Area COM
Ref/ CRD/3/1
26 Oct 44

To : Military Mission Italian Army

Para 41 The check of boots held at La Rocca has now been completed and the position now stands:-
BOOTS NEW British 4642 pairs
BOOTS R/W " 60218 " "
BOOTS Class "B" American 9400 " "
These have now been re-baled, boxed or crated, restacked and in pairs etc and ready for issue.

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M. HUBBARD Major
FOR SENIOR OFFICER
54 Area

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M. RICHARD Major
FCR SENIOR UNIA
54 Area

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W.M.I.A., D.C.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: CRD/H/I
13 Oct 44

To : HQ, W.M.I.A.

Para XXXIII. Herewith Physical Inventory of Allied Clothing and Equipment. The delay in sending this is regretted. Everything has been difficult owing to lack of space for restocking during the check. The services of four Ordnance checkers kindly lent by C.O. No.1 Sub Depot 500 A.C.D., has made this inventory possible. I have found 75 Bales of Overcoats C.D. Class "X" 15 to a bale total 1125 these have been added to the list in type script on Annex "A". The question of BOOTS, the number is not yet obtained but gangs are now working on them, the delay has been caused again by lack of space, many of the crates they were delivered in have been broken and boots, both pairs and sizes, have become mixed but the return will be sent away from here on Monday 15-10-44, these boots have been counted, checked, paired and graded according to size, the broken crates, where possible, have been repaired by making one good crate out of broken ones, the remainder of the boots are 50 to a sack. I think that after Lt.Col. SMITHY'S inspection, the difficulty the depot has had to meet will be appreciated.

Para XXXII. I have the full return from No.2 Sub Depot which has now been fully checked both here at La Rocca and at 500 A.C.D. I am enclosing a copy in case you require one for your files. A copy of all Grade III clothing sent to me from E.S.D. and C.R.S. again all checked this again may be of use to you for reference.

Para XXXI. Enclosed herewith A/W for material received into La Rocca Depot.

Senior Liaison Officer
W.M.I.A., HQ 2 District

Ref 54

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RECEIPTS FROM R. S. D. during period of 14/9 to 10/10/44

Field Jackets Class D.	6791
KHAKI Shirts	14229
Khaki Trousers	23576
Socks Wool-Cotton	59061
Blouses O.D.	1273
Undershirts Wool	8409
Drovers Wool	6580
Zaincoats	3954
Caps O.D.	3175
Wool Gloves	10440
Khaki Gaps	3081
Sheeters Wool	150
Caps Wool O.D.	1003
Coats O.D.	788
Rags	25956
Trousers O.D.	2264
Shirts O.D.	1605
Pockets LIP	450
Jackets ZIP	170
Mosquito Nets Pare	8050
Caps Wool Knit	3994
Cotton Gloves	200
Caps Gape KHAKI	3868
Leater Gloves	1262

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MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY,
R O M E.

ORD/11/B/1
8 October 1944

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To: M.M.I.A. LO
Hq. No 2 District,

176. Report No. 53 has been received. Thank you for the information regarding the 10,000 battledress Naples shows as a transfer from Bari. As soon as this office has any further information from Naples on the matter, we shall inform you.

177. In the future, could these reports be forwarded in duplicate by you as before, as much of the information thereon is of interest to other branches and if we circulate the original, we have no spare for our file.

for Lt. Colonel
AA & CMC
M.M.I.A.

copy to: Q(AE)

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REPORT No. 53

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ. 2 District

C.M.P.

Ref/ CARD/B/I/

1 October 44

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

Para XXXV. In reply to the letter dated 27th Sept 44 ref CARD/I/B stating that on 30th Aug 44 Depot 591 Naples received 10,000 Trousers Battledress as a transfer from La Rocca. Again it is stated that 5th September 44 Depot 591 Naples received 10,000 Blouses Battledress, from La Rocca, I have made an investigation of this matter and am sure that no such transfer has been made from La Rocca, had such a transfer been made it would repeat would have been shown on returns sent from this office. On the 9th May 44 there was 10,000 Trousers and 10,000 Blouses sent from La Rocca this transfer was shown on statement submitted to you and dated Bari 10th May 44 and you will see 9th May a transfer of 10,000 Trousers Battledress (India) and 10,000 Blouses Battledress (India) was made to Naples. May I repeat that no further transfer has been made from La Rocca Depot, and the matter must now be taken up with Naples. Please keep me informed as to the result of your further investigation in this matter.

Para XXXVI. No further Grade III Clothing has been received from R.S.D. 500 A.O.D. and no further from No. 2 Sub Depot 500 A.O.D. now known as "Bari Ordnance".

Para XXXVII. The stocktaking of Italian Clothing held at La Rocca is now nearing a close, and stocks of Allied Clothing is now in preparation, this has been most difficult as lack of space hampers the operation, however the impossible has been done the difficult is being dealt with.

[Signature]
Senior Liaison Officer
M.M.I.A. HQ. 2 District

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Senior Liaison Officer
M.M.I.A. HQ 2 District

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REPORT No. 52

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: OHO/B/I
25 Sep 44

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

Para XXXIII. The 10,000 caps P.S. from 66 Group Pioneer Corps are being sent into La Rocca for dyeing.

Para XXXIV. All goods sent into La Rocca from 2 Sub Depot R.S.D. and A/B/D. are being checked in and a daily record is being kept at this H.Q.

Para XXXV. ANCONA- All stores are being baled and clear marking on each bale is being painted with the marking:-
BALE I CONTENTS. Quantity in bale.
To Lt. Col. MONIARTY MMIA LO EIGHTH ARMY -- ANCONA
No..... ARTICLE.

All baled goods will be placed aside awaiting instructions for shipment. Further particulars will be sent as to time and date of shipment, name of ship etc.

Para XXXIV. Space has been made in all directions, reorganising and stacking, carried out, roofing where sorting of clothes and boots can be carried out, in bad weather.

[Signature]
Senior Liaison Officer
M.M.I.A. H.Q. 2 District.

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Subject: Captured Italian Clothing and Ordnance
Equipment from ME

Off

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
HQ ACC
ROME
AQ/15
// September 1944

To : MMIA LO 2 District

1. With further reference to our telephone conversation in regard to the Italian equipment now being off loaded at Bari and Toranto.
2. Will you please furnish Hq MMIA a list of all items of clothing and ordnance equipment as well as other stores received in these shipments.

G. A. Shipley

GEO. A. SHIPLEY, Lt.Col.,
for Lt Col AA&QMG.

GAS/wk

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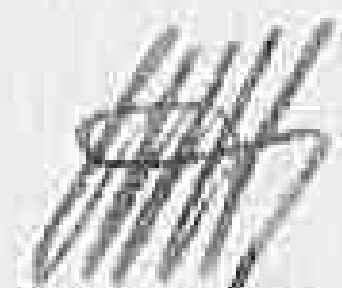
REPORT No. 51

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
II Sept 44

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

Fara XXXI. To day I have received into La Rocca Depot (anex) dyed Battle-Dress from Bernard (II-9-44). Total pieces 2573. This has all be checked in by me.

Fara XXXII. To day I am receiving Battle-Dress undyed from 2 Sub Depot 500 A.C.D. This is partly in sacks, in good condition, the stacking of this in the (anex) La Rocca, I have now undertaken. This depot will be able to take, I think, most of this clothing, but there will be no room for sorting, but as this Battle-Dress does not require sorting owing to its good condition the question for the moment does not arise. There is a question of stepping up the transporting of the Battle-Dress, at the moment it is slow, only two lorry loady per day, I have spoken to the group officer 2 Sub Depot who says its a question of obtaining enough transport from the G.T.Coy, however he said that he will try and get the deliveries stepped up in future.


Senior Liaison Officer
M.M.I.A. H.Q.2 District

Rep. 51

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Subject. Clothing and Equipment ex Middle East.

M.M.I.A. L.O.
 HQ No 2 DIST.
 C.M.F.
 Ref/OKD/B
10 Sep 44.

Army Sub Commission, M. I.

Herewith breakdown of stores shipped from M.E. on S.S. STEPHENSON TAYLOR which departed at TARANTO on the 9th Sep 44. As soon as space can be found this sixty tons, of stores will be transported to LA ROCCA.

The stores consist of Captured Italian Clothing and Equipment and Captured German Clothing and Equipment.
 Authy: D.D.C. (P)/1614/1/(218) dated 3.8.44. Demand No EAST/CI19/CAPT/CC. Date of Demand 10.8.44. Issued by the C.O.C. 2 Sub Depot. Grd. Depot. Alex.

[Handwritten Signature]

C.F. MURKIN, Maj G.S.
 Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
 H.Q. No.2 District

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Copy to: M.M.I.A. D.O. 52 Area.

<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>ISSUED</u>
Boots	28
Jackets Serge	2,000
" Woollen	6
Overcoats Serge	18
Pantaloon Serge	2,500
" Tropical	9,750
Pullovers	100
Puttees	2,100
Satchels Signal Canvas	120
Shirts Calico	310
Shorts cotton Grey	355
Shirts Grey Serge	100
" Tropical No 2	400
" Flannel Grey	100
" White Calico	220
Jackets Tropical	8,225
Shorts Serge	100
" Tropical	1,200
Socks cotton White	437
Trousers Grey	131
" Woollen	26
Belts Stomach	7,200
" K.D.	688
Boots ankle Assorted, Pairs	589
Caps bed	323
" F.S.K.D.	30,694
Coats Grey	2
" Woollen	52
Collars Shirt K.D.	134,500
Covers Breech Rifle	90
Drawers Woollen Long	45
Gowns Operating	82
Greatcoats	2,266
Helmets Steel	1,301
" Universal	1,544
Bottles Water	200
Caps F.S.K.D.	10,734
Greatcoats	1,869
Jackets Tropical	5,204
" Serge	20
Overcoat Tropical	60
Pantaloon Tropical	6,087
Pullovers	203
Shirts Tropical	1,264
Shorts Tropical	1,090
Valises Large	2,537
" " Medical	342

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

FORM 11-43

Demand No. **NAST/OI21/CAPT/00** Date of Demand **10-8-44** Nature of Demand **and** Degree of Urgency **and** ISSUED BY THE C.O.D. **2 Sub Depot** *Type of Voucher **Issue.** Date of Voucher **15-8-44**

VOUCHER **XXX** CONSIGN TO **Italian Ministry of War, BARI.** SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS **Authy: DEOS(P)/1614/1(218) of 8-8-44**

PACKED BY **[Signature]** 18/8/44

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MAKE	SECTION	DESIGNATION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
				REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MARKED
X		Hoods		28	28	FRACTION Pkg.				
X		Jackets Serge		2,019	2,000	Bales	8x50	40x40		
		Woolen		6	6	FRACTION Pkg.				
X		Covercoats Serge		18	18	Bales	1x18			
X		Pantaloons Serge		2,474	2,500	Bales	50x50			
		Tropical		10,569	9,750	Bales	97x100	1x50		
X		Pullovers		98	100	Bales	1x100			
X		Turtles		2,044	2,100	Bales	10x200	1x100		
X		Satchels Signal Canvas		110	180	Crates	8x60			
X		Shirts Calico		330	320	Bales	1x100	1x110		
X		Shirts Cotton Grey		355	355	Bales	1x200	1x155		
X		Shirts Grey Serge		98	100	Bales	1x100			
		Tropical No 2		398	400	Bales	4x100			
		Flannel Grey		100	100	Bales	1x100			
		White Calico		100	220	Bales	1x100	1x120		
X		Jackets Tropical		8,226	8,225	Bales	164x50	1x25		

CONTROL, 2 SUB-D

28 AUG. 1944

ORDNANCE DEP
ALEXANDRIA

- Early Issue to be arranged.
1. N.A.S.F. I.O. Nos. to be quoted on all Vouchers.
 2. ~~IT IS TO BE SUBMITTED~~ copy sent to APOS(P2) Progress Br. DEOS(P) MED
 3. All Bales and packages to be marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification.
- PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN COPY WITHIN 7 DAYS

Total Crates 2
Total Bales 387
Total WT 19 TONS
Light Ton 78 TONS

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

ARMY FORM 625C

Date of Demand: 10-8-44 Nature of Demand: 2 Sub Depot Degree of Urgency: Ord. Depot, Alex. Type of Voucher: Issue. Date of Voucher: 15-8-44

ISSUED BY THE C.O.D. 2 Sub Depot Type of Voucher Issue. Date of Voucher 15-8-44

VOUCHER 387 and 3 CONSIGN TO Italian Ministry of War, BARI. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS Authy: DDOS(P)/1614/1(218) of 2-2-44

SELECTED BY [Signature] Date 18/8/44 FULL NAME [Signature]

PAID BY [Signature] Date 18/8/44 FULL NAME [Signature]

DESIGNATION	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	REMARKS	
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MARKS
Serge	Capt, Ital.		28	28	FRACTION PKG.	ODA 24740	REPT RS		
Woolen			2,019	2,000	Bales	8x50	40x40		
to Serge			6	6	FRACTION PKG.	ODA 24740	REPT RS		
ons Serge			18	18	Bales	1x18			
Tropical			2,474	2,500	Bales	50x50			
			10,589	9,750	Bales	97x100	1x50		
			98	100	Bales	1x100			
			2,044	2,100	Bales	10x200	1x100		
Signal Canvas			110	180	Grates	2x90			
Calico			530	510	Bales	2x100	1x110		
Cotton Grey			355	355	Bales	1x200	1x155		
Grey Serge			98	100	Bales	1x100			
Tropical No 2			398	400	Bales	4x100			
Flannel Grey			100	100	Bales	1x100			
White Calico			100	230	Bales	1x100	1x100		
Tropical			8,225	8,225	Bales	164x50	1x25		

CONTROL, 2 SUB-DEPOT

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ORDNANCE DEPOT

ALEXANDRIA

Early Issue to be arranged.

N.A.S.T. I.O. Nos. to be quoted on all Vouchers.

All Bales and packages to be marked 'MPT' for easy identification.

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN COPY WITHIN 7 DAYS

Total Grates 2
Total Bales 387
Total WT 19 TON
Light Ton 76 TON

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

ARMY FORM 5920

Demand No. NAST/0123/DAPT/CO
Date of Demand 10-8-44
Nature of Demand
Degree of Urgency

ISSUED BY THE COO. 2 Sub Depot,
Ord. Depot, Alex. Issue

Type of Voucher
Date of Voucher 15-8-44

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VOUCHER TO and

CONSIGN TO

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Italian Minister of War,
BARI

Authy: DDOS(P)/1614/1(210) dated 9-8-44

DELETED BY: [Signature]
PACKED BY: [Signature] 15/8/44

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MAKE	DESIGNATION	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
				REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MARKED
	X Shorts Serge	Capt. Ital.		100	100	Bales	3x100			
	X Tropical			1,100	1,200	Bales	12x100			
	X Socks Cotton White			437	437	FRACTION PKG				
	X Trousers Grey			161	161	Bales	1x100	FRACTION PKG		
	X Woollen			26	26	FRACTION PKG				
										TOTAL FRACTION PKGS 5
										TOTAL BALES 14 } 19 Bales.
	Early issue to be arranged.									
	1. N.A.S.T.I.O. Nos to be quoted on all vouchers. 2. Freight forms 'a' to be submitted with copy to ADOS(P), DDOS (P) (P) (P). 3. All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'DAPT' for easy identification.									
										TOTAL WEIGHT 1 TON
										4 TON
										PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY WITHIN 7 DAYS
										CONTROL, 2 SUB-D
										28 AUG 1944
										ORDNANCE PT

* Items listed on Exchange or Expense Voucher will not be brought to charge.
† The Mark is the PACKAGE VOUCHER No. followed by the equip-ment serial number of the package concerned.

RECEIVED VOUCHER NUMBER DATE SIGNATURE FOR STORES

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

STORY PRICE CODE

Date of Demand: 10-8-44
Nature of Demand: CAPT/CO
Degree of Urgency:

ISSUED BY THE C.O.D.: 2 Sub Depot, Ord. Depot, Alex.
Type of Voucher: Issue
Date of Voucher: 15-8-44

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VOUCHER TO: Italian Minister of War, BARI

CONSIGN TO:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Authy: IDOS(P)/1614/1(218) dated 9-8-44

SELECTED BY: [Signature]
PACKED BY: [Signature] 15/8/44

FILED:
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DESIGNATION	SECTION	PART	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MARKS
Serge			100	100	Bales	1x100			
Tropical			1,180	1,200	Bales	12x100			
Cotton White,			457	457	FRACTION PKG				
Grey			131	131	Bales	1x100	FRACTION PKG		
Woolen			36	36	FRACTION PKG				
						TOTAL FRACTION PKGS	5		
						TOTAL BALES	14		19 Bales.

Early issue to be arranged.

1. N.A.S.T.I.O. Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.
2. Freight forms 'B' to be submitted with copy to ADOS(P), IDOS(P).
3. All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification.

TOTAL WEIGHT 1 TON
LT TONNAGE 4 TON
PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY WITHIN 7 DAYS

CONTROL, 2 SUB-DEPOT

28 AUG. 1944

ORDNANCE DIRECTOR
ALEXANDRIA

DELETE - TO FOLLOW - ITEMS NO LONGER REQUIRED AND RETURN PROMPTLY

Exchange of Expense Voucher will only be brought
PACKAGE VOUCHERS NO FOLLOWING BY THE AMOUNT
of the package concerned

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ARMY FORM 692C

VOUCHER FOR STORES

Demand No. **NAST/0122/IAPI/03** Date of Demand **10-8-44** Nature of Demand **and** Degree of Urgency **and** ISSUED BY THE C.O.O. **2 Sub Depot, Ord. Depot, Aless.** *Type of Voucher **Issue** Date of Voucher **15-8-44** Control No. **61848740**

VOUCHER TO
**Italian Minister of War,
 BARI**

CONSIGN TO

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Authy: MNS(P)/1814/1(218) dated 9...

SELECTED BY **Initials** Date **18/8/44**
 PACKED BY **Initials** **18/8/44**
 FULL PART COMPLETION

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MAKE	SECTION	DESIGNATION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
				REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MARK
				100	100	Bales	12100			
		Shorts Serge		1,100	1,200	Bales	12200			
		< Tropical		437	437	FRACTION PKG				
		< Socks Cotton White		121	121	Bales	12100	FRACTION PKG		
		< Trousers Grey		26	26	FRACTION PKG				
		< Woolen								
							TOTAL FRACTION PKGS	8		
							TOTAL BALES	14		19 Bales.
		<u>Early issue to be arranged.</u>								
		1. B.A.S.F.I.O. Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.								
		2. Freight forms 'B' to be submitted with copy to MNS(P), MNS(P)...								
		3. All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification								
							TOTAL WEIGHT	1 TON		
							LT TONNAGE	4 TON		

* Stores issued on Exchange or Expense Voucher will not be brought to charge
 † The Mark is the PACKAGE VOUCHER No. followed by the consignment serial number of the package concerned.

Receipt Voucher number

DATE

SIGNATURE FOR STORES

Sign and return pink copy

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

ARMY FORM 692C

Date of Demand: 10-8-44 | Nature of Demand: | Degree of Urgency: | ISSUED BY TDC C.O. 2 Sub Depot, Ord. Depot, Alex. | *Type of Voucher: ISSUO | Date of Voucher: 15-8-44 | Control No. 012048740

VOUCHER TO: Italian Minister of War, BARI

CONSIGN TO

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Authy: HOS (P1)/1814/1(218) dated 9-1-44

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FULL PART COMPLETION
 SELECTED BY: [Signature] Date: 18/8/44
 PACKED BY: [Signature]

SECTION	DESIGNATION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT		PACKAGE	
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW				TYPE	MARKS
	Serge		100	100	Bales	1x100				
	Tropical		1,100	1,200	Bales	10x100				
	Cotton White		437	437	PRACTICE PKG					
	Grey		151	151	Bales	1x100				
	Woolen		26	26	PRACTICE PKG					
					TOTAL PRACTICE PKGS		8			
					TOTAL BALES		14		19 Bales.	

Early issue to be arranged.

- 1. H.A.S.T.I.O. Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.
- 2. Freight forms 'B' to be submitted with copy to ADOS (P2), HOS (P1).
- 3. All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification.

TOTAL WEIGHT 1 TON
 LT TONNAGE 4 TON

on Exchange or Expense Voucher will not be brought
 the PACKAGE VOUCHER No. followed by the consign-
 number of the package concerned.

Receipt Voucher number

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SIGNATURE FOR STORES

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

Demand No. **HABT/0119/0APT/00** Date of Demand **10-8-44** Nature of Demand **Italian Ministry of War,** Degree of Urgency **HARI**
 Issued by this O.D. **R Sub Depot** Type of Voucher **Issue** Date of Voucher **15-8-44**
 Consign to **Ord. Depot, Alex.** SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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Authy- DDOS (P) /1614/1/(318) dated

SELECTED BY **J.B.** DATE **18/8/44**
 PACKED BY **J.B.**

MAKE	SECTION	DESIGNATION	DATE NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	TYPE	MARKS
				REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW				
^		Bottles Water		173	200	GWP 4x50				
^		Caps F.S.M.D.		10,994	10,754	Bales 5x2000-5x500-1x250-1x200-1x275				
x		Greatcoats		1,888	1,860	Bales 9x20- 1x10 -1x10				
^		Jackets Tropical		5,200	5,204	Bales 10x150-1x44-1x10				
^		Jackets Serge		20	20	Bales 1x20				
x		Overcoats Tropical		50	50	Bales 2x50				
x		Pantaloons Tropical		6,008	6,087	Bales 60x100-1x50-1x57				
^		Pullovers		100	203	Bales 1x100-1x103				
^		Shirts Tropical		1,275	1,204	Bales 12x100-1x50-1x34				
x		Shirts Tropical		1,154	1,090	Bales 10x100-1x50-1x40				
^		Valises Large		2,427	2,537	Crates 8x30-1x17				
^		Valises Large Medical		549	242	Crates 11x25-1x20-1x18-Bales 1x17-1x12				

CONTROL, 2 SUB
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Early issue to be arrange

1. H.A.S.T. I.O Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.
2. FWS To be submitted and copy sent to
3. All bales and packages to be clearly

marked 'HAPIT' for easy identification
 ADOS (PE) Progress Br. DDOS (P) MED

TOTAL BALES
 TOTAL CRATES
 TOTAL G.W.P.
 TOTAL WEIGHT
 Light Tonnage

*This Voucher is Exchangeable for the Voucher required by receipt
 *The Mark on the PACKAGE VOUCHER shall show the number
 *When used in the absence of the original Voucher

DATE SIGNATURE **PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY WITH**

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

Date of Demand: 10-8-44
 Nature of Demand: Italian Ministry of War, BAR
 Degree of Urgency: []
 ISSUED BY THE C.O.: 2 Sub Depot Ord. Depot, Alex.
 Type of Voucher: Issue
 Date of Voucher: 15-8-44
 SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: AUTHY-EDOS(P)/1614/1/(218) dated 9-8-44
 FULLY CHECKED BY: 18/8/44
 CONTROL, 2 SUB-DEPT
 28 AUG. 1944
 ORDNANCE DEPT ALEXANDRIA

DESCRIPTION	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKING TYPE	MARKS
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW				
Water			173	200	GWP	4x50			
F.S.K.D. coats			10,994	10,734	Bales	5x2000-3x500-1x250-1x200-1x275			
Coats Tropical			1,833	1,869	Bales	9x20-1x10-1x9			
Coats Serge			5,200	5,204	Bales	10x150-1x44-1x10			
Coats Tropical			28	20	Bales	1x20			
Coats Tropical			80	80	Bales	2x30			
Coats Tropical			6,008	6,087	Bales	60x100-1x50-1x57			
Coats Tropical			100	205	Bales	1x100-1x103			
Coats Tropical			1,275	1,264	Bales	12x100-1x50-1x20			
Coats Tropical			1,154	1,090	Bales	10x100-1x50-1x40			
Coats Large			2,427	2,537	Grates	8x30-1x17			
Coats Large Medical			542	542	Grates	11x25-1x20-1x18			

Early issue to be arrange
 A.S.T. I.O Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.
 To be submitted and copy sent to EDOS(PE) Progress Br. EDOS(P) AND
 All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification
 TOTAL BAILS 308
 TOTAL GRATES 99
 TOTAL G.W.P. 4
 TOTAL WEIGHT 30 TON
 Light Tonnage 80 TON
 PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY WITH DATE

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

ARMY FORM 692

Demand No. HAST/0119/SAPT/03	Date of Demand 10-8-44	Nature of Demand	Degree of Urgency	ISSUED BY THE C.O.O. 2 Sub Depot Ord. Depot, Alex.	* Type of Voucher Issue	Date of Voucher 18-8-44	Control No. 064848707
VOUCHER TO Italian Ministry of War, MARI			CONSIGN TO			SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS Authy- ADOS (P) / (M) 4/1 / (M) 18 dated 18-8-44	
				SELECTED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		Date 18/8/44	
				PACKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		FULL PART COMPLETED	

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MAKE	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MADE
X	Bottles Water		173	200	QWP 4150				
X	Caps M.S.K.D.		10,994	10,734	Bales 122000-12500-12550-12502-12573				
X	Greatcoats		1,503	1,503	Bales 103200-10330-10340				
X	Jackets Tropical		5,200	5,204	Bales 103250-10344-10310				
X	Jackets Serge		30	30	Bales 1210				
X	Overcoats Tropical		50	50	Bales 12150				
X	Pantaloons Tropical		6,208	6,087	Bales 801100-12150-12157				
X	Pullovers		100	205	Bales 12100-12103				
X	Shirts Tropical		1,275	1,264	Bales 121100-12150-12144				
X	Shirts Tropical		1,154	1,090	Bales 121100-12150-12140				
X	Valises Large		2,427	2,537	Crates 84250-1217				
X	Valises Large Medical		542	542	Crates 11255-1250-1218-Bales 1217-1218				
Early issue to be arrange							TOTAL BALS		
							TOTAL CRATES		
							TOTAL C.W.P.		
							TOTAL WEIGHT		
							Light Tonnage		

1. H.A.S.F. I.O Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.
2. PPS to be submitted and copy sent to ADOS (P) Progress Br. ADOS (P) MED
3. All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'UNFIT' for easy identification

* Stores issued on Exchange or Expense Voucher will not be brought to charge.
 † The Mark is the PACKAGE VOUCHER No. followed by the consignment serial number of the package concerned.

Receipt Voucher number	DATE	SIGNATURE FOR STORES	Sign and return pink copy
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VOUCHER FOR STORES

ARMY FORM 1082C

Date of Demand 10-8-44	Nature of Demand CAPT/CS	Degree of Urgency	ISSUED BY THE C.O.O. S Sub Depot Ord. Depot, Alex.	*Type of Voucher Issue	Date of Voucher 18-8-44	Control No. 01A848737
VOUCHER TO Italian Ministry of War, RANI		CONSIGN TO		SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS Autry- DDOS (P)/1814/1/(1818) dated 9-8-44		
				SELECTED BY YB	Date 18/8/44	FULL PART COMPLETION

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SECTION GORDAN	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			DATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
		REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MARKET
Water		175	200	CWP	\$250			
S.K.D.		10,984	10,774	Bales	1X2000-2X1500-1X2200-1X2000-1X2075			
Coats		1,833	1,839	Bales	9X150-1X100-1X9			
Tropical		5,200	5,204	Bales	10X150-1X44-1X10			
Serge		20	20	Bales	1X20			
into Tropical		50	60	Bales	1X50			
Coats Tropical		6,095	6,097	Bales	60X100-1X50-1X57			
Coats		300	303	Bales	1X100-1X108			
Tropical		1,275	1,264	Bales	12X100-1X50-1X40			
Tropical		1,134	1,080	Bales	10X100-1X50-1X40			
Large		2,427	2,377	Crates	24X20-2X17			
Large Medical		542	542	Crates	11X25-1X20-1X18-Bales		1X17-1X12	
Early issue to be arrange						TOTAL BALES	508	
						TOTAL CRATES	98	
						TOTAL C.W.P.	2	
						TOTAL WEIGHT	20 TON	
						Light Forage	20 TON	

A.S.T. I.O. Nos to be quoted on all vouchers.
 To be submitted and copy sent to DDOS (P) Progress Br. DDOS (P) END
 All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification

Receipt Voucher number	DATE	SIGNATURE FOR STORES	Sign and return pink copy
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VOUCHER FOR STORES

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FORM 9800

Demand No. **NAST/0120/CAPT/09** Date of Demand **10-8-44** Nature of Demand **Italian Ministry of War., BARI** Degree of Urgency **and**
 ISSUED BY THE C.O.D. **Sub Depot, Ord. Depot, Alex.** Type of Voucher **Issue** Date of Voucher **15-8-44** ORAD48740
 VOUCHER TO **Italian Ministry of War., BARI** and CONSIGN TO **Authy: ADOS(P)/1614/1(20) dated 9-2-44** SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS **3**
 PACKED BY **JH 18/8/44**

MARK	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE TYPE	MARK
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW				
		Capt Ital.							
X	Belts Stomach		7,200	7,200	Bales	30x200			
	K.D.		688	688	Bales	1x688			
X	Boots Ankle Assorted, Pairs,		572	589	Grates	27x18-2x20, 1x10-1x11-1x14-1x8			
X	Cape Bed		525	525	FRACTION	ORAD48740 REFERS			
	K.F.S.K.D.		50,610	50,894	Bales	40x500-3x1000-1x1800-1x500-1x750			
X	Coats Grey		2	2	FRACTION	ORAD48740			
	Woolen		52	52					
X	Collars Shirt K.D.		154,000	154,500	Bales	64x3000-2x3000-1x500			PLEASE SIGN AND
X	Covers Breech rifle		90	90	GWP	1x90			THIS COPY WITH
X	Dresses Woolen Long		45	45	Bales	1x45			
X	Gowns Operating		82	82	FRACTION	ORAD48740 REFERS			
X	Greatcoats		2,254	2,256	Bales	11x20-1x6			
X	Helmets Steel		1,208	1,201	GWP	58			TOTAL BALES
	Universal		1,554	1,544	GWP	4x32-1x8			TOTAL GRATES

- EARLY Issue to be arranged.
- NAST IO to be quoted on all vouchers.
 - Freight Form 'S' to be submitted with copy to ADOS(P) Progress Br. ADOS(P) NEB.
 - All bales and packages to be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification.

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BY TONNAGE

28 AUG. 1944

* Charges Incurred by Recipient of Expense Voucher will not be brought to charge.
 * The Mark with the PACKAGE VOUCHER No. followed by the consign- ment's serial number of the package concerned.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE FOR STORES _____ SIGN AND PRINT YOUR NAME _____
 HEAD VOUCHER NUMBER _____

ORDNANCE DEPOT
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VOUCHER FOR STORES

FORM 682C
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Date of Demand: 10-8-44
 Nature of Demand:
 Depot of Agency:
 ISSUED BY THE C.O.D.: 2 Sub Depot, Ord. Depot, Alex.
 Type of Voucher: ISSUED
 Date of Voucher: 15-8-44
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VOUCHER TO: Italian Ministry of War., DAKI
 and
 CONSIGN TO:
 SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
 Authy: DDOS(P)/1614/1(218) dated 9-8-44
 FULL
 PACKED BY: JH 18/8/44

DESIGNATION	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES		TO FOLLOW	RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
			REQUIRED	ISSUED				TYPE	MARKS
Stomach			7,200	7,200	Bales	36x200			
K.D.			888	888	Bales	1x600			
Ankle Assorted, Pairs,			872	589	Grates	27x18-2x20-1x10-1x11-1x14-1x8			
ad			523	523	FRACTION	ODA248740 REPAIRS			
S.K.D.			50,610	50,694	Bales	40x500-3x1000-1x1800-1x300-1x754-540			17
Grey			8	2	FRACTION	ODA248740			
Woollen			52	52					
Shirt K.D.			154,000	154,500	Bales	64x2000-2x5000-1x500			
Breech rifle			90	90	GWP	1x90			
Woollen Long			45	45	Bales	1x45			
operating			82	82	FRACTION	ODA248740 REPAIRS			
ents			2,254	2,256	Bales	115x20-1x8			
Steel			1,262	1,301	GWP	36			
Universal			1,554	1,544	GWP	42x62-1x8			

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY WITHIN 7 DAYS
 TOTAL BALES 275
 TOTAL GRATES 53
 TOTAL GWP 88
 TOTAL TONNAGE 80 TON
 CONTROL 2 SUB-DEPT

EARLY issue to be arranged.
 IO to be quoted on all vouchers.
 Light forms to be submitted with copy to ADOS(P) Progress Br. DDOS(P) MED.
 bales must be clearly marked 'CAPIT' for easy identification.
 28 AUG. 1944

DATE: 15-8-44
 SIGNATURE FOR STORES:
 SIGNATURE:
 ORDNANCE DEPOT
 ALEXANDRIA

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ARMY FORM 692-C

VOUCHER FOR STORES

Demand No. NAST/OIBO/CAPT/00 Date of Demand 10-8-44 Nature of Demand Italian Ministry of War., RARI Degree of Urgency ISSUED BY THE C.O.O. 3rd. Depot, Alex. Type of Voucher Issue Date of Voucher 10-9-44 Central No. 01A248738

VOUCHER TO and

CONSIGN TO

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Italian Ministry of War.,
RARI

Authy: ADQS(P)/1614/1(218)
dated 9-8-44

SELECTED BY [Signature] DATE 10/5/44
PACKED BY [Signature] FULL COMPLETION

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MAKE	SECTION	DESIGNATION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
				REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MADE
	<u>Capt Ital.</u>									
X		Belts Stomach		7,200	7,200	Bales	30x200			
X		K.D.		688	688	Bales	1x888			
X		Boots Ankle Assorted, Pairs,		372	368	Crates	27x18-2x20, 2x10-1x11-1x14-1x8			
X		Gaps Bed		328	328	FRAGTION	01A248740 FRAGS			
X		F.S.K.D.		30,610	30,894	Bales	40x100-3x100-1x160-1x500-1x75			
X		Coats Grey		3	3	}	FRAGTION 01A248740			
X		Woollen		52	52					
X		Collars Shirt K.D.		124,800	124,800	Bales	60x200-2x200-1x500			
X		Covers Breech rifle		30	30	GWP	1x30			
X		Drawers Woollen Long		45	45	Bales	1x45			
X		Gowns Operating		82	82	FRAGTION	01A248740 FRAGS			
X		Greatcoats		2,234	2,234	Bales	11x200-1x8			
X		Helmets Steel		1,282	1,301	GWP	38			TOTAL BALES
X		Universal		1,544	1,544	GWP	40x82-1x8			TOTAL CRATES
										TOTAL GWP
										TOTAL WEIGHT
										LT TORRES

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Receipt Voucher number _____ DATE _____ SIGNATURE FOR STORES _____ Sign and return pink copy

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VOUCHER FOR STORES

ARMY FORM 692C

No. 10/10/44 Date of Demand 10-8-44 Nature of Demand Italy Degree of Urgency Normal ISSUED BY THE C.O.O. 1st. Depot, Alex. Type of Voucher Issue Date of Voucher 10-8-44 Control No. 012848730

VOUCHER TO Italian Ministry of War., BARI CONSIGN TO Italy SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS Authy: ADOS(P)/1614/1(218) dated 9-8-44 **4** FULL COMPLETION

DESIGNATION	SECTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITIES			RATE	AMOUNT	PACKAGE	
			REQUIRED	ISSUED	TO FOLLOW			TYPE	MADE OF
Stomach			7,200	7,200	Bales	30x200			
K.D.			680	688	Bales	1x200			
Shoe Assorted, Pairs,			872	599	Crates	20x12-2x20-2x10-1x11-1x14-1x8			
Wool			523	523	FRACTIONS	012848740			
S.K.D.			30,610	30,894	Bales	40x500-2x1800-1x1800-1x800-1x754-840			1x
Wool			8	8	FRACTIONS	012848740			
Woolen			82	82					
Shirt K.D.			124,000	124,000	Bales	60x2000-2x3000-1x500			
Breach rifle			90	90	GWP	1x90			
Woolen Long			45	45	Bales	1x45			
Operating			82	82	FRACTIONS	012848740			
Wool			2,334	2,334	Bales	11x200-1x8			
Steel			1,288	1,303	GWP	38			
Universal			1,554	1,544	GWP	40x20-1x8			
							TOTAL BALE		375
							TOTAL CRATES		28
							TOTAL GWP		80
							TOTAL WEIGHT		80 TON
							LT TONNAGE		80 TON

EARLY Issue to be arranged.
 TO be quoted on all vouchers.
 Light Forms 'S' to be submitted with copy to ADOS(P2) Progress Br. ADOS(P)MED
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on Exchange or Expense Voucher will not be brought
 the PACKAGE VOUCHER No. followed by the consign-
 number of the package concerned.

Receipt Voucher number
 DATE
 SIGNATURE FOR STORES
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REPORT No. 50

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
9 Sept 44

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

Para XXVIII. I have arranged re-counting of all battle dress and re-stacking, the difficulty has been space, I am also arranging the re-stacking and binning of all stocks held at La Rocca.


Para XXIX? I have to day received two load of un-dyed battle dress from 2 Sub Depot 500 A.O.D. the count was taken by myself and the figures for the two load received are:

Trousers 1732

Blouses 1674

All are in very good condition and need little or no repairing This is being stacked in a building near La Rocca and is well guarded by day and night The Italian Post being also in the same building. The further loads will be started again Monday 11.9.1944.

Para XXX. The dyed battle dress Bernard, I am leaving until this undyed has all been received and then 2 Sub Depot will lend me transport to left it from Bernard and I shall stack it in space which I have put aside for this purpose.


Senior Liaison Officer
M.M.I.A. H.Q.2 District

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
6 Sept 44

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

Para XXII I have today arranged for the first of 100,00 pieces of Battle Dress to be transported from 2 sub Depot 500 A.O.D. to the new depot which I have found a few blocks away from La Rocca, this depot is good for storage, both before repairing etc. and after if necessary. Trousers B.D. (undyed) 2, I75 Blouses B.D. (Undyed) 2, I75 had been sent by 2 sub Depot to Bernard; this I am having sent and stored in the new warehouse.

Para XXIII I have found a warehouse close to La Rocca which I am having cleared of surplus material, this will be first class as there is a large courtyard where sorting can take place in fine weather, there is also a lean-to roof which, with a little repair, this will be done, will prove to be good cover in rain. The depot at the moment has miscellaneous stocks which when cleared out, a matter of about 3 days, will prove first class storage, there is a little repair needed to the main roof, this is also being put in hand at once. I should be pleased on your comments on my action.

Para XXIV There is a very good room with light and air enough where the O.R. could move into thereby living at the depot, a table etc. could be furnished for his use.

Para XXV The first material to arrive into this depot will be about: 250 tons of clothing, needing sorting repairing, dyeing etc. 70,000 boots, needing sorting and repairing, I propose to put this into action as soon as the depot is ready.

Para XXVI I am enclosing with that a set of cards which I had drawn up before receiving yours, the latter, as you will see does overlap some points which I had already made, never the less I have added them, and given a copy to the O.R. (Ordnance) for his use. I shall take this O.R. to all depots and show him what his duties are and what I wish done, he already understands, I have known the Group Officer at 557 A.O.D. whom he worked under M.T. minor assembly. The C.O.O. 557, Colonel WORTHAM and D.C.O.C. Lt.Colonel ROUSE, are both friends of mine and I shall have a full report on this O.R., as to has capability.

Para XXVII To comply with instructions in letter ref: AQ/I5/I5 of 3 Sept I am enclosing Shipping Tickets number of copies 9 (nine) here were handed to me by A.B.D. Capt. EVANS, Salvage Officer who retained his copies.

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Senior Liaison Officer
M.M.I.A., Hq, 2 District

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To : Major GRECSON

From: Major HUBBARD R.A.O.C. Bari

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
5 Sept.44

Para XXI. Herewith copy of contract that I have now stopped pending further instructions.

In answer to the letter AQ/I5 I am sending you copy of receipt given to me by O.C. La Rocca that such goods have been handed over to the A.B.D. as instructed. I am now awaiting a credit note from the A.B.D. which I shall forward to you.


MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.
M.M.I.A.L.O.

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M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
5 Sept 44

To : Major GRECSON

From : Major HUBBARD R.A.O.C. -Bari

Para XI All stocks previously held at Lecce depot have now been sent to La Rocca and are now housed, these stocks are Italian.

Para XII The question has been raised by O.C. La Rocca of release. A certain Italian Batt. or Group, is given a release by M.M.I.A (Main) H.Q. The goods authorized may not be lifted for months, which is often happening. These goods are set aside by me as "earmarks" according to Ordnance Procedure, which is shown on my daily stock returns. My stocks may drop below the P.A.F. line, still the earmarks remain in the depot. I should like to know.

(a) How long are these earmarks to remain before being returned to stock.

(b) How long is the release order valid for.

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Which is to house the Salvage British and American Clothing handed to me for storage before being turned over to the Italian Clothing Depot for washing, repairing and dyeing. I have spoken with C.O.O. 500 A.O.D. and he and I am in perfect agreement as to procedure.

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Para XV The A/N's to date are enclosed with this report.

Para XVI Major Murcell has informed me that two O.R. have been placed at my disposal to check all goods, Italian and Allied in and out of La Rocca, your wish is being complied with. I have drawn up such orders as I think necessary and shall see that the checker in charge is conversant with them.

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- 0865
- Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDG NO. 785020
- my daily stock returns. My stocks may drop below the P.A.F. line, still the earmarks remain in the depot. I should like to know.
- (a) How long are these earmarks to remain before being returned to stock.
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Para XVIII I am submitting a Bi-monthly form used by La Rocca may this be continued to be used with the modification added by typewriter.

Para XIX I shall enclose under separate cover Bi-monthly returns for M. of W. these I should be obliged if you would deliver to the said M. of W. as then it would be sure that both you and M. of W. would have them on the same date instead as now the M. of W. receive their copy many days later owing to the difficulty of the Italian despatch.

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Para XX I am seeing O.C. R.S.D. 500 A.O.D. who will let me know tonnage of stores handed to me for which I shall give the receipt. This also applies.

M.H.
MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.
M.M.I.A.L.O.

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M.M.I.A.L.O.
 HQ 2 District
 C.M.F.
 Ref: 6RD/B / I
 2 Sept 1944

SUBJECT: Dyed Battle Dress.

To : Lt.Col.SHIPLEY Q.(AE)
 From : Major MARK HUBBARD R.A.O.C.
 M.M.I.A.L.O.

1. A contract has been placed with a Bari firm of dyers, named Bernard.
 This contract has been placed and arranged by D.D.O.S. Lof.
 C. Samples of the cyyng have been submitted to Brig PHELPS D.D.O.S. Lof C. and, as I understand, the colour not being Spruce Green, but Black, said it would have to do. I am enclosing a snipping for you to see.
2. The contract is for 100,000 pieces at an agreed price of 42'2 lire per piece, which I think in Stirling works out somewhat around L.106,250.
3. Total of dyed battle dress handed to Bernard to date.
 Ist. load 29th August 44 I,450 Blouses
 ----- do ----- I,450 Trousers
 2nd load 31st August 44 725 Blouses
 -----do----- 725 Trousers
4. The Contract, a copy is being sent to me which I shall forward to you for your perusal, has been through the Central Purchase and Production a Lieut. LOVETT in charge. The Contract No. L.P.O./B/63. for 100,000 Battle Dress.
5. A telephone message this morning 0.830 hours 2.9.44 from Lieut.LEVETT, who has been in touch with Brig.PHELPS says he is holding up work for the moment pending further instructions, but will wash his hands of the whole matter. The undyed battle dress now on the way here from Naples I shall have to score for safe keeping, this I can do as it is not very much.
6. Captain Annicchiarico, Italian Army came yesterday I.9.44 with a notice from M.of W.Roma to collect Battle Dress from me for dyeing. This I am unable to give him as up to the time of this letter I have no undyed battle dress, but is held by the Clothing Depot Naples under the control of D.D.O.S. Lof C.
7. I should be obliged if further instruction could be given to me on this matter.
8. My present stock of Battle Dress dyed stands now at:---

---BERNARD---

36088 Blouses
 13664 Trousers

INDIAN

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3. Total of dyed battle dress handed to Bernard to date.

1st. load 29th August 44	1,450 Blouses
----- do -----	1,450 Trousers
2nd load 31st August 44	725 Blouses
----- do -----	725 Trousers

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8. My present stock of Battle Dress dyed stands now at:---

BERNARD

36088 Blouses
13664 Trousers

INDIAN

26830 Blouses
35314 Trousers

5225

[Handwritten signature]

MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.
M.M.I.A.L.O.

REPORT No. 47

M.M.I.A. L.O.
Hq 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
30 Aug 44

To : Major GRECSON

From : Major HUBBARD R.A.O.C.-Bari

Para VII. LECCE. I visited this depot and I think I have made things understood. All the remaining stacks have now been crated and packed, everything including 1320 blankets are ready to be dispatched. I went to the R.T.O. and arranged for 3 box wagons to be placed at my disposal. This is being done, but railway transport from Lecce to Bari is very much restricted. All wagons will be sealed before leaving but only a general guard will go with the train. The transport from the depot to the station is arranged. The B.T.O. has said that he will signal me when train leaves but can not say when it will arrive in Bari. I shall instruct La Rocca to be on the look out to receive goods and arrange space for them. I shall pass A/N's to you the moment goods are in the La Rocca Depot.

Para VIII.

The boots sent to Lecce are now being repaired at the rate of 100 per day, I have told them to take on some more boot repairers thus stepping to number up to 150 per day. I shall arrange for more boots to be sent down for repair.

Para IX.

The question of the 10,000 pairs of trousers asked for some time ago (breeches) the depot at Lecce can repair up to 700 per day if and only if the whole state as put into this work, they are now working of a kind of "Tammy" for the Italian tps, the trousers (breeches) have to be more than repaired, they have to be re-made.

Your Para 151. Agreed.

" 155.

All boots from A.B.D. are to the best of My knowledge American, I can't say from where they come before they reach A.B.D. The American Depot just turn over to me a number of boots, Class stated on Shipping Ticket. They are boots ready for repair, but from where they come, before being handed into the American depot, (Salvage Officer) I can't say. Your presumption is correct.

Para 156.

If you look at A/N 30 you will see the word "PANNO" this word for your information is WOOL in Italian. Therefore I have given you the information required. I am glad you took it for wool because you were correct BRAVO!!

In the Column 6. I admit I have not always said "A" or "B" but if in Column 2 goods come from A.B.D. they can NOT be British as A.B.D. only handle American stocks however in future I shall see that such details are filled in

Para 157.

My answer as before "PANNO" is Italian for WOOL, where is the noble Army of Interpreters?

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Para 158.

I shall go to A.B.D. and ask them to let me have copies of Shipping Tickets from 26 June last and in future send you two copies as requested.

Para 159.

"I M P E R M E A B I L I" is proofed. I have now been on to A.B.D. from where they came and the report is that they are OVERCOATS which have been treated or impregnated against gas.

Para 160.

A/N 34 These are woollen undershirts (vests) with long sleeves.

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Para I61.

(a) A/N 36. All the Dye stuff was from America and came on S.S. John Harvard it berthed at Bari about 6 Aug. last this consignment was 72 drums each drum containing 250 lbs. nett. The second lot came also from America on S.S. "Joseph Teal" this berthed at Brindisi about the 26 July last. This consignment should have been 70 but only 65 were received these drums were also 250 lbs. nett.

Para I61.

I understand that Capt GUTHRIE also got a receipt for dye stuff.

Para I52.

This is the only information I can give at the moment. I phoned P.O.O. Barletta who said that 2 scooners "Carlo Giorgina" shipped 40 Tons of Green Battle Dress. "Zueeca Ist" shipped 47 Tons of Green Battle Dress. Sicily - "Carlo Giorgina" vice Signal from A.A.I. I259 ref. Move/5/44E, dated 5th August. "Zueeca" - vice II644 ref. Mov/5/448/I dated 10th August. Docked on 10th August and discharged on 10th August. I think that this must be the Battle Dress which I received in La Rocca and A/N's 37 and 38 referes to, any further information that may come to me I shall at once forward on to you.

Para I62.

I have noted all you say and humbly beg pardon, it is to some extent my fault the O.D. La Rocca has to save time -made out the A/Ns in my absence that he did, to save my time and labour but in future this will all be done by me and mistakes of this kind I hope will not happen again.

Para I63.

I know, my former answer, is for this para also.

Para I64.

This is an error, It should read:-
IO/8 214 900 Comp. Artieri
IO/8 100 Comp. Spec. Artieri
which with the figure of IO466I gives a total of IO4975, I am sorry to have put you out in this way.

Para I65.

In future I will see that balance of previous returns is Brought forward and shown.
I see by the new Bi-Montly sheet you have sent me that the "Box" is again to be used, sheets in future will be made out according to the one furnished as a sample.

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Para I66.

Noted.

Para I67.

All this has been noted and revised forms made.

Para I68.

I shall go to La Rocca and arrange this point.

Para I69.

Its a case of dog eating dog. the O.C. La Rocca says that the 500 pairs of boots were transferred from Naples. I know only that these 500 pairs were sent from Naples together with other things and received in La Rocca on the 15.7.44. The O.C. is quite certain on this point, I have at this very moment confirmed this with the O.C. La Rocca by telephone. Please let me know how this matter ends, I am more than intere-
sted. The boots were issued to Batt. ...

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

Move/5/442, dated 5th August.
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Para I70.

I have this afternoon spoken with A.B.D. and have again insisted that the remaining shirts Class A. be lifted at once from La Rocca so that the Credit Note can be sent to you. As you know the hold up has been only because A.B.D. have not done their duty and I have been waiting day after day thinking perhaps they will have completed the work, however if by to morrow they have still not done so, I shall forward to you a Credit Note for what has been lifted the other must follow when they, the A.B.D. have done their stuff.

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Para I71.

I am waiting for A.B.D. to left this stuff refered to AQ/I5 its up to them as I have no transport at La Rocca, but I shall bring the stick about their tender parts and see that it is done.

Para I72.

A/N 26 are British boots and came from 500 A.O.D.-R.S.D.

Para I73.

I have spoken about this in the beginning of this report?

Para X.

Re: Green Battle Dress. I have just received further information from P.O.O. Barletta who says:

S.S. "Zuecca" Truck No. I50986	I92 bales
Truck No. 77I960I6	236 "
Truck No. II470	I47 "

S.S. "Giorgina" Truck"	ICI526C	84 bales
" "	7I00539	208 "
" "	II3236I	206 "

I trust this may be of some help to you.



MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.C.C.

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Maj Hubbard -

Port Ord. Barletta

Ship Lucca	Truck # 150986	192 bales
	Truck # 77196016	236 bales
	" 14470	147 "

Ship Geringa	Truck 1015260	84 bales
	" 7100539	208 "
	1132361	206 "

2 schooners Green Battledress
 Carlo Giugina 40 tons -
 ZUECCA 1st- 47 tons -

Both Ex: Sicily -

Carlo Giugina Vice signal

from APT 1259 ref mov/5/448
 11 date 5 aug.

Zuecca - vice 11644
 ref mov/5/448/11 date 10 aug.

doeked on 10th and discharged
 on 10th.

Will Ring Tencorall.

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REPORT No. 46

M.M.I.A L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
26 Aug 44

To : Major GRECSON
From : Major HUBBARD R.A.O.C.-Bari

Para V. (a) Herewith A/N's up to date.

(b) You will find a number of A/N's which should have been included last time. One copy only was sent and it should have been three.

Para VI. You will find Bi-Montly, returns up to and including midnight 25 August 1944.


MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.

Handwritten notes:
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To : Major D.S.GRECSON
Ordnance Branch M.M.I.A. (Main H.Q.)

M.M.I.A.L.O.
Hq 2 District
C.M.F.
Ref: ORD/B/I
25 AUG 44

From : Major HUBBARD R.A.O.C. Bari

Dear Greason,

I have discovered this key to the covers of A.F.G. IO88
I think its for the one you keep your Tally Sheets in,
you may have been looking everywhere for it.

Best regards.



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M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.S.S.
Ref: OAD/B/1
L4 AUG. 44

To : Major GREGSON

From : Major HUBBARD R.A.O.C.-Bari

Para I (new series)

The shipping rickets handed to me by A.B.D. do not tally with goods received at La Rocca. There is, on the face, a plus quantity in each case.

Action (a) I have arranged a physical check of ALL stores received. I have put a Corp; U.S.Army, in charge together with a Storeman Clerk R.A.O.C. sent to me by Major Reed, (for this service, many thanks). These together with a gang of Italian labour will remain at La Rocca until a perfect check has been obtained.

(b) When the correct numbers are handed to me I shall then take them to A.B.D. who will correct their shipping rickets which I shall agree.

Para II

A large quantity of stores have now been transferred from Lecce to La Rocca, I shall take the first chance I can to go to Lecce to tie up any loose ends, this journey will be undertaken in a few days I hope, but up to now there has been so much to do that I have not found the time.

Para III

Owing to the heavy intake of store, La Rocca is feeling the strain and I am busy seeking space, which I hope to find to day, in order that proper bottoms and dunnage may be put down and stores stacked according to procedure laid, down in Ordnance Manual.

Para IV

I have found that A/N Serial n.21 Boots Class B. were American and not British as stated. Adjustment of A/N. both here and at La Rocca have been made. My regrets for the error.

MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.

Rep. 45

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MARK HUBBARD

Major R.A.O.C.

Rep. 45

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S.M.I.A.L.C.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.

Ref: CRD/B/I
" 21 AUG 44

To : Lieut.Colonel SHIPLEY
To : Major GREGSON
From : Major HUBBARD R.A.C.C. Bari

A/N's BARI/19-20. Blouses and Trousers

Dyed "India" typere the quers from overseas or re-appropriated in the theory. I have looked at my copy of the a/n./N's and find no marking of any kind the written word "Overseas" which is clearly shown on your copy must have been written by some person or persons outside this office? I have not only asked but have examined the handwriting of clearks in my office and in no way do they tally.

Wagon Waybills.

The wagon Waybills which you so kindly gave are for Battle Dress, "Barletta" (India) now stored at La Rocca. The number received will be shown in the next by-monthly return but for your information the numbers received were:

- Trousers -29755
- Blouses -23210

The Bi-monthly returns up Midnight 10-th July which have been lost in transit, and I am making investigation from signals here; copies have been made in my office, stamped and signed by O.C. La Rocca and will be dispatched to you.

Para 144.

- (a) was a transfer from Taranto 1369
- (b) was a transfer from Naples 500

Para 145

On going through the figures again and asking the O.C. La Rocca the correct number of boots handed to the Nemco Division was 250 not 950 but not 240. on the 23/7. there was an issue of 250. and on the 24/7 another 250 this I have confirmed by phone this afternoon. There correct cast for r/w boots should read.5175 this plus 87884 gives us a total of 93659, I am haveing the report fr from La Rocca adjusted please adjust yours.

Ref.your.148

I know that the typed number was 993. but I did say in my report 41.para (d) the number SHOULD BE 293, and you will see how the total is made up with all date.

Ref.your 149

I-shall see that each sheet given to each article is signed and stamped by the O.C. La Rocca. I shall in future number my paras' I must start anew from I. do you agree, it may make things better for you, but as I said its generally a case of an answer to you para and therefore no number comes from me.

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Para 1.

Herewith A/N's which you require.

Para 2.

I have made a copy of By-Monthly returns up to midnight 10th August.


MARK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.

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M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
ORD/B/I
14 Aug. 44

To : Major D.S.L. GRECSON
M.M.I.A. Main H.Q.

Ref your para I4I. my reply to that is 500 A.O.D.
2. Sub Dept. have instructions from A.C.C. not
to issue anything to M.M.I.A. unless a release
note is sent by you to 500 A.O.D. such release
order must come from A.C.C.
A copy of instructions sent to 500 A.O.D. is sent
with this in order that you may quote the reference
and so be able to obtain the release for the wagon
seals etc. which are URGENTLY required by you.
Please see in future that when goods require such
releases they are sent with any demand for goods.
This letter sent by D.D.O.S. L.of C. is for all
goods other than Italian : i.e. Allied equipment.


MACK HUBBARD
Major R.A.O.C.

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ORD/6513 (24)
11 July 44

To : D.D.C.S. L.of C. Depot.
Copy C.C.C. 500 A.S.D.

2. To remove any doubt which may exist will you please ensure that the following procedure is made known to all issuing depots.

It is the responsibility of the Italian Army to clothe and equip all Italian units and on that account all demands for shoes required by Italian units should be forwarded by the Formation concerned to indent for issue of all items available from stores in Italian Depots.

It is the responsibility of M.M.I.A. to apply to this H.Q. for assistance in connection with those stores which are not available from Italian stocks.

The M.M.I.A. request is then considered by the staff here in consultation with Ordnance and in the event of a decision to issue depots are informed by us.

3. Indents which are forwarded to depots should be returned.

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REPORT NO. 43

1. A. L. O.
HQ 2 District
C. S. F.
Ref: 000/3/I
12 Aug. 44

To : Lieut. Colonel SHIMMEL
10 : Major WOODRICK

From : Major Mark Howard A. D. O. S. 4447

Para 132.

This classification is used by the U.S. Army, but a class B/2 boots regardless from where it consequently must be B/2 or any class. These in question transferred from Taranto to La Rocca were BRILLISH.

(c)

The 1069 boots sent or transferred from Taranto have been taken on charge in La Rocca and included in the figure 1069 returned on the 10th July 44. They have not been included in stocks held at Taranto. In this figure of 1069, is included 500 from Hayes the small sum, so quickly worked out will show a total of 1068.

Your para 134. is beyond me, I give up! If you look at Report 41. sent by me, you will read that the Tempo Division was put down as 800. read further and you will see, I said it should read 280 and an adjustment had been made at this point. There is a difference of 10, shown by your 280 is correct. Therefore my figure of 28,069 still stands.

Para 135.

There has been an A/R reported to you for these boots, and were included. If I have a point to make I shall number my para as an easy reference.

Para 137.

La Rocca received 1000 boots according to our numbers, but the physical count, as I said, was a figure 1040. These boots when turned into this depot may be 2, less or 10 tops, an exact count down to the last old boot can't be made there as in all Ordnance Depot a margin of error is observed and it is not worth while to put the sawyer workmen to count again and again each pair of boots, we know that number is within 10. Must I say that if a man comes in and says--- say there 1000--- and it agrees more or less to the number I should have, I accept this figure, if you can't each pair counted by a British soldier please send a German to do this job only, I can't. I have other work to do.

Para 138.

Do look again, the bi-monthly return shows 280 and NOT Repeat NOT 293, where in the name of fortune did you find this number devil---it can I find it anywhere. The 280 B/W blouses were issued to the 406 Regt. Paratroop on the 12/7/44

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The returns have never been stamped or signed as far as I know, but a covering letter signed and stamped is included which covers all returns, if on the other hand you still require each Bi-Monthly statement signed, the Captain in charge I am sure would do so.

in stocks held at Taranto. In this figure of 1309, is included 500 from the 1st SS, the shell 500, so quickly worked out will show a total of 1869.

Your Para 134, is beyond me, I give up! If you look at report 41, sent by me, you will read that the Depot Division was put down as 830. Read further and you will see, I said it should read 250 and an adjustment had been made at this Depot. There is a difference of 10, shown by the 250 is correct. Therefore my figure of 13,059 still stands.

Para 135.

There has been an A/A referred to you for these points, and were included. If I have a point to make I shall number my cases but as most of the questions come from you I quote your Para as an easy reference.

Para 137.

As notes received 1368 boots according to the numbers, but the physical count, as I said, was a figure 1076. These boots when turned into this depot may be 2, less or so more, an exact count down to the last old boot can't be made there as in all Ordnance Depot a margin of error is observed and it is not worth while to make a sum of workmen to count again and again each pair of boots, we know that number is within 20. Must I say that if a man comes in and says--- say there 14000--- and it agrees more or less to the number I should have, I accept this figure, if you can't each pair counted by a British soldier please send a statement to do this job only, I can't. I have other work to do.

Para 138.

Do look again, the Bi-monthly return shows 250 and NOT repeat NOT 255, where in the name of fortune did you find this number devil-omit can I find it anywhere. The 255 M/D shoes were issued to the 406 Regt. Paratroops on the 14/7/41 **5213**

The returns have never been stamped or signed as far as I know, but a covering letter signed and stamped is included which covers all returns, if on the other hand you still require each Bi-monthly statement signed, the captain in charge I am sure would do so.

Para 140.

To the best of my knowledge and information given to me, 4 copies were sent.


WALTER E. ...
Sgt. Or
R.A.S. ...

Rep. 43

LIEUT. COLONEL SHIPLEY
 MAJOR GREGSON

To :

Lieut. Colonel SHIPLEY
 MAJOR GREGSON
 FROM : MAJOR HUBBARD R.A.C.U. BARI

M.S. I.A. L.O.
 HQ 2 District
 C.M.F.
 Ref: CRD/B/I
 10 AUG. 44

I. ACQUAINTANCE

I have visited and inspected this depot and would like to make a few suggestions. In many ways I am far from pleased, not that this is the fault of those running the place but the utter lack of equipment.

a) Clothing, Old Italian uniforms are here stripped down washed and remade into uniforms which can be re-issued to the troops. The output is about 40 per day excluding sundry; this small output is lack of material in most cases.

b) Washing of uniforms. The method which is now being used is far from efficient in fact its bad, the water is not hot, the lack of boilers, throughs, scrubbing boards is the cause, this wants re-organising.

c) Mass tins and tin mussels, these are being made from biscuit tins and although a good job is being done, the lack of timing etc. a finished mess-tin, suitable for a days food, rust and bacteria and sickness, i.e. diarrhoea, dysentery would be the result.

d) Boots. A production of about 40 pairs of repaired boots a day is now the out but this could, in my opinion, be stepped up if further equipment in the form of stitching machines, finishing machine could be provided. At the moment it takes a man 50 to 55 minutes to hand stitch a half sole, this is slow, but a work man can not work faster. There is a shortage of Awls, wax and bristles which again does not help production. The question of a mid-day meal for the men would help as they say they can get this working in the Allied repair shops, and they seek employment outside. Most of the work people come from the village.

Suggestions.

- 1) That I be given a free hand to reorganize the whole plant.
2. To arrange; that work could be arranged so as to undertake the repair of battle-dress, now waiting repair, and dyeing, the repair can not now be undertaken by R.A.C.U. 500 A.C.D. That a dyeing plant be set up, we are flying the dye stuff from the drums we already have, this can be controlled to the last ounce. The dye stuff being used by Bernard I have seen and its almost black, ^{30/1/24} so that I would not permit it to be used, Bernard has told me that he has only this dye and can not obtain the correct shade of green required, and jet in state of this a tender has been made with him, and woolen garments

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b) Washing of Uniforms. The method which is now being used is far from efficient in fact it is bad, the water is not hot, the lack of rollers, thorough scrubbing boards is the cause, this wants re-organising.

c) Leas tins and tin mussels, these are being made from biscuit tins and although a good job is being done, the lack of tinning etc. a finished mess-tin, suitable for a mans food, rust and bacteria and sickness, i.e. diarrhoea, dysentery would be the result.

d) Boots. A production of about 40 pairs of repaired boots a day is now the out put this could, in my opinion, be stepped up if further equipment in the form of stitching machines, finishing machine could be provided. At the moment it takes a man 50 to 65 minutes to hand stitch a half sole, this is slow; but a work man can not work faster. There is a shortage of awls, wax and brushes which again does not help production. The question of a mid-day meal for the men would help as they say they can get this working in the Allied repair shops, and they seek employment outside. Most of the work people come from the village.

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Rep 42

I have seen the letter, subject U.S. Clothing from A.B.D.G. for repair, and have understood the subject and will act accordingly. I should be called if an answer could be given to me in this important subject.

My truck has been in workshops for some days past I have been unable to visit this depot, but I intend to do so in a very few days. It has been impossible to contact them by phone. A full report will be sent by me on my visit to this depot.

Further to the dyeing of Battle Dress etc. The LEND-B only has been submitted by Bernard and he is submitting a sample of dyed woollen clothing to Chief C.F. & I may I point out again that the dye which he will use is in my opinion NOT suitable for the job it's not the kind of green, and on this own words he is unable to get any other, before the contract is fixed I should like you to see a sample which I can get for you. If on the other hand you see anything in my suggestion we could arrange a meeting and discuss the whole thing which I think should be done seeing that a considerable amount of public money will be involved.

3. Para 5.

a) of your letter dated 6th Aug if any quantity of Battle Dress etc. is to be taken in by me the depot at LA ROCHE will not be able to hold it. The question is:-
1/ is the Battle Dress now held in A.B.D. 500 A.B.D. to be transported to LA ROCHE.

2/ is the woollen goods now at A.B.D. to be transferred to LA ROCHE, if so when.
The rest of the letter is clear. Please let me have a reply and if a meeting is arranged when and where.


MARK [unclear]
S. [unclear]

M.M.I.A. D.O.
Hq 2 District
C.M.I.
Ref: CHD/B/I
Aug. 44

REPORT NO. 42

To : ~~Lieut. Colonel R.S.S. SHARMA-Rtd.~~

From : Major MARK HUBBARD R.A.C.C. BARI

I. ACQUAIVIVA

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- a) Clothing, Old Italian uniforms are here stripped down washed and remade into uniforms which can be re-issued to the troops. The output is about 40 per day including sundry, this small output is lack of material in most cases.
- b) Washing of uniforms. The method which is now being used is far from efficient in fact its bad, the water is not hot, the lack of rollers throughs, scrubbing boards is the cause, this wants re-organising.
- c) Lees tins and tin utensils, these are being made from circuit tins and although a good job is being done, the lack of tinning etc. a finished Mess-tin suitable for a mans food, rust and bacteria and sickness, i.e. diarrhoea, dysentery would be the result.
- e) Boots. A production of about 40 pairs of repaired boots a day is now the out put this could in my opinion be stepped up if further equipment in the form of stitching machines, finishing machine could be provided. At the moment it takes a man 50 to 55 minutes to hand stitch a half sole, this is slow; but a work man can not work faster. There is a shortage of awls, wax and bristles which again does not help production. The question of a mid-day meal for the men would help as they say they can get this working in the Allied repair shops and they seek employment outside. Most of the work people come from the village.

Suggestions:

- 1) That I be given a free hand to reorganize the whole plant.
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b) Washing of uniforms. The method which is now being used is far from efficient in fact its end, the water is not hot, the lack of rollers thorough, scrubbing boards is the cause, this means re-organising.

c) Less tin and tin utensils, these are being made from biscuit tins and although a good job is being done, the lack of tinning etc. a finished Mess-tin suitable for a mess food, rust and bacteria and sickness, i.e. diarrhoea, dysentery would be the result.

d) Wax. A production of about 40 pairs of repaired boots a day is now the cut but this could in my opinion be stepped up if further equipment in the form of stitching machines, finishing machine could be provided. At the moment it takes a man 60 to 55 minutes to hand stitch a half sole, this is slow, but a work man can not work faster. There is a shortage of Awis, wax and brushes which again does not help production. The question of a mid-day meal for the men would help as they say they can get this working in the Allied repair shops and they seek employment outside. Most of the work people come from the village.

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Further to the Dyeing of Battle Dress etc. The TENDER only has been submitted by Bernard and he is submitting a sample of dyed woollen clothing to Chief C.P. & P. MAFLIS may I point out again that the dye which he will use is in my opinion NOT repeat NOT suitable for the job its not the kind of green, and on this own words he is unable to get any other, before the contract is fixed I should like you to see a sample which I can get for you. If on the other hand you see anything in my suggestion we could arrange a meeting and discuss the whole thing which I think should be done seeing that a considerable amount of Public money will be involved.

a) of your letter dated 6th Aug if any quantity of Battle Dress etc. is to be taken in by me the depot at LA ROCCA will not be able to hold it. the question is:-
1/ is the Battle Dress now held in R.S.D. 500 A.C.D. to be transported to LA ROCCA.

2/ is the woollen goods now at A.B.D. to be transferred to LA ROCCA, if so when.
The rest of the letter is clear.
Please let me have a reply and if a meeting is arranged when and where.


MARK HAYWARD
Sgt. R

R.A.C.C.

3. Para 5.

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REPORT. N. 4-1

M.M.I.A.L.O.
HQ. 2 District
C.M.F.

Ref: ORD/3/1

4 AUG. 44

Re your: Lieut. Colonel R.A.N. SKOTIS B.A.

Para 123 (b)

The correct figure is 83,050. The mistake was that the Nembo Division was put down in Depot return as 950 this should read 250 adjustment at Depot now made.

- (c) 25th June was reported 115 pairs of P/W boots to Tappa Milizia 15 pairs } 115 pairs
9 Reggimento Genio-Trani 100 pairs }
This number was included on the return dated 25/6/44 under "Reparti Bari" and An A/N is required. Bi-monthly return 10/7/44 you will find Tappa Milizia 15 pairs and 9 Reggimento Genio - Trani 100 pairs ^{given} from top.

- (d) I can't make out where the figure 23503^{COME} from. I have gone carefully over these figures, checked them, and find on the 10th July 76992 now this plus:
14/7/44 406 Regg. Fenteria - Blouses 293
15/7/44 I Centro Lionieri-Minervino 3000
20/7/44 9 Reggimento Autieri 265
20/7/44 Raggrupp. Lavoratori-Brindisi 690
24/7/44 4 Comp. Mitr. Contraerea 40
24/7/44 Raggrupp. Lavoratori-Brindisi 1500
25/7/44 3I Corpo Armata-Catanzaro 28
Total. 5816

This total of 5816 plus 76992 gives us a balance of 82808.

- (e) The adjustment of Drawers Cotton sent to Lecce has been made on my Bin Cards if you look at Bi-monthly return from La Rocca 25/7/44 plus 1198 less 306 which were wool, a copy of receipt from Lecce in attached.

- (f) The authority for the issue of 28 Drawers Cotton Short came from the Ministry of War, by signal No. 15027/V dated 29/6/44 and signed by Colonel A. La Rocca.

- (g) The number of 44,500 have been left by A.D.D. leaving a difference of 1715 to be left when the whole 46,215 have been cleared from La Rocca the Shirts (standard) will be shown as an issue.

It is only a question of when the Americans will left the remainder, this they do when their transport is ~~available~~ and a signature will be given by me when the whole quantity has been left.

AVAILABLE

- Para 124 (a) I understand that Major Gresson sent 4 copies of A/N from La Rocca.

I am sending A/N up to date these in future will be sent but the difficulty of getting around with only our car has put a lot of my work, however Major Marcelle has now a new car and all is well, at least I hope so.

- (d) I can't make out where the figure 23503, from, I have gone carefully over these figures, checked them, and find on the 10th July 76332 now this plus:
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|---------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 14/7/44 | 406 Regt. Panteria - Blouise | 233 |
| 15/7/44 | 1 Centre Pioneer-Minervino | 3000 |
| 20/7/44 | 3 Reggimento Autieri | 265 |
| 20/7/44 | Reggrupp. Lavoratori-irindisi | 690 |
| 24/7/44 | 4 Comp. Mitr. Contrearea | 40 |
| 24/7/44 | Reggrupp. Lavoratori-irindisi | 1500 |
| 25/7/44 | 31 Corps Armata-Catanzaro | 28 |
| | Total. | <u>5916</u> |
- This total of 5916 plus 76992 gives us a balance of 82908.
- (e) The adjustment of Drawers Cotton sent to Lecce has been made on my Bin Cards if you look at Bi-monthly return from La Rocca 25/7/44 plus I188 less 305 which were wool, a copy of receipt from Lecce in attached.
- (f) The authority for the issues of 28 Drawers Cotton Short came from the Ministry of War, by signal No. I5027/V dated 23/6/44 and signed by Colonel A. La Vaze.
- (g) The number of 44,500 have been lefted by A.S.D. leaving a difference of 1715 to be lefted when the whole 46,215 have been cleared from La Rocca the Shirts (standard) will be shown as an issue. It is only a question of when the Americans will left the remainder, this they do when their transport is available and a signature will be given by me when the whole quantity has been lefted.

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I am sending A/N up to date these in future will be sent but the difficulty of getting ground with only our car has put a lot of my work, however Major Marcelle has now a new car and all is well, at least I hope so.

On the 15/7/44 500 Boots Class B/2 from the Italian Depot Naples were received in La Rocca do you require an A/N for these?

On the 15/7/44 1369 Boots Class B/2 from Italian Depot Taranto were received in La Rocca Depot do you require an A/N for these?

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Para 127

There are NO repeat NO trousers or Breeches in La Rocca Depot. Therefore I can not repeat NOT send IO,000 to Rome is this an answer.

-1497 new Breeches and I208 P/W Breeches has been sent to Roma on the 18/7/44 this has skinned the Depot of all trousers and breeches.

A letter in Italian has been sent from La Rocca not repeat not to give them to Carabinieri but taken them on charge for the Italian Army.

Mark Shutt

Major R.A.O.C.

To : Lieut. Colonel SHUTTE R.A.
To : Major GREGSON

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To : Lieut. Colonel SHUTTE R.A.
To : Major GREGSON

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REPORT N. 40

Ref Your: Lieut. Colonel R.A.M. SHUTTE R.A.

M.M.I.A.L.O.
 22 District
 C.M.P.
 Ref: ORD B/1
 Aug. 44

Para 120

I have been to see the Captain i/c La Rocca to day and have arranged for him to do the printing of the forms and we shall give him the paper as I understand they little or no paper, I must take their word on this as I have no means of proving different; however the universal form will be used from 10-th Aug. as requested.

Para 121

I think this matter has been gone into by Major Rose U.S. Army. If there is anything farther I can do in this matter please let me know.

Para 117

I shall arrange for somebody (speaking Italian) to phone Captain Raciti, Lecce demanding returns for 11-th July - 25-th July, and the moment Major Marcelle has his car, shall arrange to go to Lecce and give them a the tender parts, they think out of sight is out of mind, I wonder!!!

Respirators - Italing

I have had a letter handed to me requesting us to left 170 new Italian Respirators (C.W. Section) from Adelfis, this I have arranged to be done and brought into La Rocca depot. The number counted in was 166 and not 170 as reported.

Drums of Dye

Pending further instructions I have arranged that the 140 drums that will be un loaded any day now should perners as temperaris measure be housed in the La Rocca Depot, where it will be under guard and looked after. The first 70 drums have arrived, the second ship is still to come.

500 A.O.D.
(1)

This A.O.D. is now on the move which in many ways has a reaction on us, for instance nothing more can now be taken in at A.D.L. question; how about wool clothing which A.D.L. has, according to refusing, to be sent there first,? This question I have asked before.

(2)

There is a large dye works, laundry, and clothing factory that employes about 2,000 people why cannot our clothing be cleaned dyed, repaired and pressed, be done there instead of Bernard. When 500 pull out this place will I understand be left and the people who know their work be discharged. I am seeing C.O.O., who I hope to get some fuller particulars from, and when I have them could if you like come and see you and discuss the whole thing.

Lecce Depot are the things which will be sent up from Lecce to be kept separate when stacking at La Rocca or can they be included with the general stock and tin cards changed to read "ex Lecce".

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Respirators - Italian

I have had a letter headed to me requesting us to left I70 new Italian Respirators (C.W. Section) from Adelfia, this I have arranged to be done and brought into La Rocca Depot. The number counted in was I66 and not I70 as reported.

Drums of Dye

Pending further instructions I have arranged that the I40 drums that will be un loaded any day now should perhaps as temporaris measure be housed in the La Rocca Depot, where it will be under guard and looked after. The first 70 drums have arrived, the second ship is still to come.

500 A.O.D.
(1)

This A.O.D. is now on the move which in many ways has a reaction on us, for instance nothing more can now be taken in at A.S.B. question; how about wool clothing which A.S.B. has, according to tubing, to be sent there first,? This question I have asked before.

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[Handwritten signature]

Major R.A.O.C.

To: Lieut. Colonel Shutte R.A.
To: Lieut. Colonel A.O.C.
To: Major Gregson

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M.M.I.A. L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.S.F.
Ref: ORD B/I
Aug. 44

Subject: Civilian Clark

To: CAMP COMODANT N.2 DISTRICT
From: M.M.I.A.L.O.

For your information Mrs. VENEZIANI SANTONIO TERESA
is employed by me on seves days probation and should
she prove satisfactory will continue to be employed
as a technical clark.



Major: R.A.O.C.

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M.M.I.A. L.O.
HQ 2 District
C.M.F.

Ref: SF 107/II

2 Aug. 44.

To: Lieut. Colonel G. SHIPLEY C.S.A.
To: Lieut. Colonel R.A.H. SHUTE R.A.

Herewith enclosed copy of Shipping Ticket, for shoes (Boots) Class B (1) &  which have been received in La Rocca depot, the original is retained in this office.


Maj. R.A.H.

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REPORT NO 39

COPY ASQ

To: Lieut. Colonel R.A.H. SHUTTS R.A.
From: Major MAURICE HENRIARD R.A.C.O. 1044

Reference year:

Para 115 I sent my reply with Report 35 and called it: Report 38(a). I trust my answer was in order.

Para 116 Materials return of clothing and equipment from Allied forces.

It will be of interest, if the returns I have been sending are of no use, those from G.S.A. I will discontinue, I only thought one bit more information might help - that's all.

Para 117 I shall have to get on to WOOD for the returns, in future I am arranging things in another way, which I am sure will help.

Para 118 Yes I do know and understand about WOOD being under my control I again say I will do my best even to going down as soon as the car can be eyed out at the moment we have only one car to do all the work here and Major WOODS must have transport.

Para 119 I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I hope will put things in order, you will see who Colonel WOOD is, and why the clothing was sent, for sent it was heard. As you know the material is still here in the Depot.

21 July 44

Major M.H.C.O.

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It will be of interest, if the witnesses I have been sending are of no use, those from G.B.A.A. I will discontinue, I only thought one bit more information might help - that's all.

Para 117

I shall have to get on to LUCAS for the records, in future I am arranging things in another way, which I am sure will help.

Para 118

You I do know and understand about LUCAS being under my control I mean say I will do my best even to going down as soon as the car can be spared but at the moment we have only one car to do all the work here and Major MURPHY must have transport.

Para 122

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I hope will put things in order, you will see who Colonel SMITH is, and why the clothing was sent. For sent it has been. As you know the material is still here in the depot.

21 July 44



W. R. S. C.

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REPORT NO 30(a)

COPY AAQ

To: Lieut. Colonel R.A.M. SHOTTE R.A.
 From: Major MARK HURBARD R.A.O.C. BARI

Para 115

Re 10,000 Trousers G.I. Italian for CORR
 I have reported what was told to me by the Italian Officer at LA ROCCA, it was this. THE ITALIAN ARMY DO NOT HAVE TROUSERS. Acting on this I sent to ROMA Breeches which they do have, they consisted of NEW and P/W but the latter were in first class condition and were ready to be issued to the man. There is another garment which I understand the NEMBO Division have a kind of trousers which straps round the ankle with tapes would these be of any help? As to the material I am holding that as instructed by you.



Maj. R.A.O.C.

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REPORT No 38

Copy AAQ

To: Lieut. Colonel R.A.M. SHUTTE R.A.
 From: Major MARE HUBBARD R.A.C.O. BARI

Para 112

a) I have been to LA ROCCA and have spoken to Capt D'AGOSTINO on this matter and he fully understands.

b) The question of getting the stocks from LEOCE is being gone into by me. I shall see IX Corps tomorrow 26-th July, re the question of transport, I shall report the result but as usual transportation is always a difficulty. When the goods are at LA ROCCA I shall arrange for the Drawers, cotton short to be handed to A.E.D.

Shirts American
Class A

The number lifted to date by the A.D.D. is Shirts 44,500, Bales 345 leaving still to be lifted at LA ROCCA 1715 Shirts, 20 Bales.

Shorts

Para 105. There are on the cards 461, I am having these recounted and the number whatever it may be handed to 2 Sub Depot 500 A.C.D. they are American shorts made for British Forces.

Appendix "A"

Part 1. Allied
Stores

I understand that a copy in Italian will be sent to BA-RI by the Ministry of War.

Italian Liquid-
ment at R.S.D.

I have made arrangements with U.O. M.S.D. to transport all this equipment to the correct Italian Depots.

Classification of
U.S. Clothing &
Stores

A copy of this has been made in Italian and handed to the Officer i/c LA ROCCA in order that he may be fully in the picture and can mark stocks and bin cards in their proper order. Also a copy of your letter, in Italian will be shown to the said Officer.

Bi-Monthly Return of Allied clothing and Equipment issues.

I am enclosing one copy of Issues and Receipts and retaining one myself up to midnight 25-th.

Para 113 (a)

Re 6-th July Blouses B.D. (Bernard). 2000 ~~500~~ are Bernard.

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Para 113 (c)

A/N Bar. 16. 3250 Trowsers B.D. see Bernard they were from from 6 BSA see Bernard for sure.

Para 113 (d)

No B.D. has so far arrived from Sicilian Depot.

Issues to Italians Herewith enclosed copy of clothing: Period ending 8-th July 44 - 15 July 44 for your information.

Dyed B.D.

Boots American

Your note 113, (a) the 9,400 Boots handed in on the 10-th July were Class B2 I am sorry for my error.

Shorts

There are now 417 pairs at LA ROCCA which are being handed to 500 A.C.D. 2 Sub Depot. There were 462 but

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45 were given away by order of Major HERRSON. Please see note which is a copy taken by me from the original which is at the LA ROCCA Depot.

There are 5 or 6 thousand pairs of Class D boots and about 4 thousand pairs of Class C boots being transferred from A.B.D. to LA ROCCA on 29-7-44.

Boots

29 July 44

Maj R.A.C.O.

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COPY

Captain D'AGOSTINO

LA ROCCA

I shall be most grateful if you will give this officer all possible help as he has to return to his H.Q. tomorrow.

23-rd June 1944

Signed D.S.J. GREGSON
Major.

Then following are the things taken.

1 Cap F.S. (officers)	Italian
1 Boots prs	"
3 " " large	"
88 Socks prs	American
45 Caps F.S. (GRs)	Italian
45 Shorts prs K.D.	British
16 Breeches	Italian
26 Shirts (Class B.)	American
50 Puttees	Italian

1 Copy

For attention of Major Gregson

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- 1 Boots prs " "
- 3 " " large " "
- 88 Socks prs American
- 45 Caps P.S. (ORs) Italian
- 45 Shorts prs K.P. British
- 16 Breeches Italian
- 26 Shirts (Class B.) American
- 50 Puttees Italian

1 Copy For attention of Major Gregson

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For the Attention of Lt. Colonel SHIPLEY U.S. Army.

Sir.

I have been informed by Captain EVANS that on ship "JOHN HARWARD" H.R. 415 there are 72 drums of dye from U.S. each drum contains about 250 lbs. This is aniline dye and very good each drum is marked "III" but the colour is not sure its either Black or Green.

There is a further 70 drums same marking but known to be Spruce Green, is there any milling where this is to be sent, perhaps Bernard.

May I suggest that in order to get better and more economic dyeing we set up our own plant here in BARI, the stuff that Bernard has turned out has not been of the best by any means, in fact some time ago a quantity of battle dress was so bad that the officer in charge of unit refused to take it. I have seen and examined some clothes and its far from up to my standard of what it should be.

We could, I think arrange setting up such a plant, such things as concretes troughs, boilers etc; there are buildings which could I am sure be taken over for this use, if this suggestion is of any use, and I think it is, I would see the whole matter through. I feel sure that with the winter before us and further dyeing that will have to be done, with the other clothing which will be taken U. S. Army something of this kind should be done. The saving of time, money and labour would in itself be of an advantage, and we could supervise and see that the goods turned out were up to standard.

I should like to have your opinion on this matter. The question of U.S. woollen outer garments which will be handed to us by A.B.D. which we spoke about before Major HERR, A.E.D. H.Q. I should like to know if this point is settled. Major WHITTLES R.S.D. I Sub Depot 500 A.O.D. says he CAN NOT take any more as; you are aware of this R.S.D. is moving. Please let me have your opinion on this question as soon as possible. This stuff could be sent direct to LA KCCOA if the order which says it must be sent to R.S.D. first was rescinded.

MAJOR HUBBARD,
Major.

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MARK HUBBARD.
Major.

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REPORT NO 57

COPY AAG

To: Lieut. Colonel H.A.S. SHERPA G.C.
 From: Major MARK HUBBARD R.S.O.C. BARI

1. Report.

Your report dated 11-th July 1944 to hand para 104 A & B will be see to and adjustments made.

2. 31 Monthly Return. Enclosed herewith the return up date.3. Boots.

All papers dealing with the boots sent by A.S.D. have been signed and sent to the proper quarters. The number of boots counted in by me and are correct is 9,400 but the number put down on the papers from the A.S.D. is 9,354.

4. Issue of Italian dried B.B.

Herewith enclosed copy of return sent to me from Captain Mullins O.C. A.S. 5 Base Sub Area. I thought you might like to see it.

5. Italian Equipment.

I have been to see R.S.D. where there is a vast quantity of new and second hand equipment of all kinds, I took the Captain from LA 4034A with me and he has seen the stuff, he is reporting the same and will let me know where it is to be sent and to whom. I know this I shall arrange for transport which will lift all this equipment, it runs into a few hundred tons.

6. Boots II.

There has been another 5,000 boots listed sent to LA 4034A these are now being sorted under my instruction into:
 a) Repairable
 b) Broken down to repair other boots
 c) Unusable.

7. Boot Equipment at Solva Camp.

This I am waiting for transport from "Q" to be sent to the Italian boots repair shop, the office I/S has seen it all and can see most of the stuff, except the wooden soles, and some telly bands.

8. Details.

Lieut. Colonel SHERPA R.S. Army and Major COLLIS arrived and they went with me to A.S.D. and R.S.D. and LA 4034A and arrangements have been left with me as to the disposal of Italian Equipment.

put down on the papers from the A.S.D. is 3,364.

4. Issue of Italian
Ared S.S.

Herewith enclosed copy of return sent to me from Captain Milling O.O. H.A. 6 Base Sub Area. I thought you might like to see it.

5. Italian Equipment.

I have been to see A.S.D. where there is a vast quantity of new and second hand equipment of all kinds, I took the Capitana from La Motta with me and he has seen the stuff, he is reporting the case and will let me know where it is to be sent and to whom. I know this I shall arrange for transport which will lift all this equipment, it runs into a few hundred tons.

6. Boots II.

There has been another 2,000 boots plus X sent to La Motta these are now being sorted under my instruction into:
a) Repairable
b) Broken down to repair other boots
c) Unusable.

7. Mule Equipment at
Belvedere level.

This I am waiting for transport from "Q" to be sent to the Italian boots repair shop, the office I/O has seen it all and can use most of the stuff, except the wooden saddles, and cord telly bands.

8. Mail.

Lieut. Colonel SHIPLEY U.S. Army and Major COLLE arrived and they went with me to A.S.D. and A.S.D. and La Motta and arrangements have been left with me as to the disposal of Italian Equipment.

9. Transport.

The question of transport from point A to B is difficult, "Q" Movements (Road) ²¹⁹⁷ but it is not possible for them to place loads at my disposal which at times I must have, if a ruling could be given to me I should be obliged.

15 July 44

[Handwritten signature]
M.A.S.D.C.

REPORT No 37

To: Lieut. Colonel SHUTE R.A. / M.M.I.A./

Copy AAQ

From: Major MARK HURDARD M.A.C.C. BARI

1. Shirts Class A.

These shirts are be collected to day by A.B.D., they will checked out of LA ROCCA by Italians and into A.B.D. (Q Branch) by U.S. troops they must tally. Loose shirts (broken tales) will be taken round under separate guard.

2. Shirts Class B & X.

These shirts will be sent to LA ROCCA in numbers not yet known but when A.B.D. has them available they will be sent and checked in.

3. Italian Breeches.

There are being collected and I understand to be sent to ROMA under the arrangements of Colonel KELLY U.S. Army. 860 new and 1,845 F/W but good for instant issue, this is in answer to the request for 10,000. There is about enough cloth to be made up into 500 pairs at the LA ROCCA Depot.

4. ORD/II/B. 19.7.44.

109. Small adjustment of position of word POOL.

a) Noted and will be seen to.

b) Will be looked into and reported on.

109. Subject of shorts will be gone into to day.

108. It is possible that a number may been missed, but not a copy lost.

106. Seen, noted and action will be taken.

107. Question of transport will be arranged by me by the best means. Thank you for help and guidance.

110. Italian tyres in 500 A.C.D. The pit is cleared, all have been lifted and I think a little error has crept in. They have lifted 1572 Tyres. 247 Tubes. 68 Wheels-Complete Rim Assys. & 104 Complete Wheel Assys. The dates of lifting were 10-th, 19-th, & 20-th July 1944 the lifters 9-th M.T. Regt. they say that there were some three hundred more at 500A.C.D. but I saw the C.C. I Sub. Depot who said the pit was empty, if the ones they saw were there they may have not been for issue but kept for Italian cars we have taken over however I shall look into this and report.

3. Italian Breaches.

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4. CWB/II/B, 19.7.44.

109. Small adjustment of position of word POCU.
a) Noted and will be seen to.
b) Will be looked into and reported on.
105. Subject of shorts will be gone into to day.
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Maj. R.A.C.C.

25 July 1944.

E. S.

Enclosed are copies of return for L.I. Officer. 5 Sub. Base Area.

Distribution: Lieut. Col SHUTTE R.A., Lieut.Col A/Q, Major BRUNSON.

To: Lieut. Colonel SHUTTE R. A. /M.M.I.A./

Copy AAQ

From: Major MARK HUBBARD R.A.O.C. BARI

1. Boots. I.

The sorting of the 9,000 boots sent from LA ROCCA is still going on and no report is at the moment forthcoming.

2. Boots. II.

On Monday 10-th July 9,400 pairs of reconditioned boots will be sent to LA ROCCA from the A.B.D. These boots are very good and are ready for issue. They are packed in wooden cases and all are sized marked clearly on each case (see note at end of report).

3. Shirts. I.

I have see Major HELP U.S. Army and talked over the question of Shirts B & X. We went round the A.B.D. with Captain EVANS U.S. Army, and the most Class B Shirts at the moment is about 5,000, not more. They are keen to have our 42,000 Class A. Shirts. However in a day or so more Class B & X may be in and we continue my discussion and report.

4. Shirts. II.

I am Lieut. BENNETT 2.S.D. 500 A.O.D. and fiscing up the question refered to Para 95. of your report dated 9. 7. 44., will see A.B.D. again and make the best arrangements I can.

5. Battle dress.

Your Para 97 has been noted and will be wtched.

6. Boots. III.

The sorting of the P/W boots from R.S.D., is going on its a slow job, another and final load will be sent into LA ROCCA on Wednesday 12-th July. I must wait for the sorting to finish before making a final report on these.

7. Shorts.

In answer to note sent by Major COLE I will see LA ROCCA and arrange things.

8. Italian Equipment.

An Italian Officer went to the Base Salvage Depot to see Saddlery and has said he will report to me, so far he has not done so, but may be he will do so to day.

9. Clothing in

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500. A.O.D. (R.S.D.)

I am going to see that this is transferred to LA ROCCA, checked and A/N obtained as soon as possible, so much on my plate, as a Storeman Class III. its enough at the moment.

11 July 44

Maj. K.A.O.U.

REPORT No 34

To: Lieut. Colonel SHUTTS R.A. /M.M.I.A./

Copy AAQ

From: Major MARK HUBBARD R.A.C.C. DARI

1. Battle dress.

Ref. ORD/II/D. Para 95. as you will see 14,450 B. B. Blouses and 10,600 Trousers have been sent to LA ROCCA from 2 Sub Depot 500 A.C.D. I can't say if there are part of the 50,000 B.D. from SICILY or not, am trying to find out.

2. Boots.

U.S. boots to the tune of 9,000 from R.S.D. have arrived and more are to come I think. My impression is that at least 90% are M.B.G. they are not in my opinion worth transport, the work of sorting (they are not even in pairs) will start to-morrow, each man employed on this work will receive 100 to 120 Lire a day and if 4 men are employed I think the present 9,000 might be done in 5 days. In my opinion it is waste of

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| 1. Time | { | however I shall report further |
| 1. Labour | { | on this question. There are |
| 1. Transport | { | about 5,000 more to come. |
| 1. Material | { | |

3. Lecce.

I thank you for your remarks on my work at this depot.

4. Drawes.
Cotton Short.

I have found that mixed with the drawes long woollen. 22 bales of Cotton Short each bale 400 pairs. I have made the alteration in my bin cards. (Letter attached.)

5. Italian Saddlery
Adelfis.

I have been out to inspect this stuff and as far as I can see its of very little use the total amount of leather would be very small when stripped down, being mostly straps, however I have arranged that my transport should take Lieut. MAMMONE an Italian Officer in charge of the boot repairing factory here who will give me his opinion upon which I shall be guided and action taken by me will be reported to you.

6. Boots A.B.D.

I have been phoned by the A.B.D. to inform me that they have 6,000 pairs of Class B. boots would I give them instruction, this I shall see to to-day arranging transport and storage. 5/1/47

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MAJ. R.A.S.D.

3. Lecce.

4. Drawes.
Cotton Short.

5. Italian Saddlery
Adelfia.

6. Boots A.S.D.

7 July 44

REPORT NO 32

TO: Lieut. Colonel SHUTE R.A. /A.M.I.A./

From: Major MARK HUBBARD R.A.O.C. BARI

COPY AAA

1. Battle dress.

LA ROCCA. there are about 7000 Battle dress. Trousers Blouses non at the depot which have been dyed by BERNARD, there have been done so badly that one Unit (MADIE) at LAIATO have refused to take them. I am not sure if this bad dyeing is the fault of BERNARD or that the stuff would not take the dye.

2. Shirts.

I have seen Mr BERNARD and he would like the final ruling on the movement of these shirts now at LA ROCCA.

3. Boots.

The U.S. Boots now at R.S.D. 900 A.O.D. are to be left at 80/c 5.7.44 will report when removal has finished. Have informed LA ROCCA.

4. Boots.

Ref. CMD /11/3. Para 89. I have phoned LA ROCCA and they have checked up and can not find any trace of an issue of 198 pairs of boots being made. I shall however check at the depot, to morrow.

5. Driver.

I have seen D.A.D.M. (civilian), who has said that it is almost impossible to find a man who can speak English or German and drive, maintaining to truck as well, if the driver I have non (Major GASSON) is required at H.O. I am quite prepared to send him up only it will make my journeys to the various places almost impossible.

5 JULY 44

M.H.
Maj. R.A.O.C.

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REPORT M.O.I.
R.A.

To: Lieut. Colonel SHURTS/M.M.I.A. Copy A/Q.

From: Major MARK HUBBARD, R.A.O.C. Reid

1. SHIRTS

Have spoken to Mr. BUNNET 2 Sub. Depot. 500 A.O.D. who wants this matter of shirts cleared up, am contacting Colonel SHIRLEY by phone re-sult to be recorded to you. Phoned Major HARP A.O.D. who will exchange Class A. shirts for Class X U.S.I. uniforms. Please advise.

2. HAND OVER

Major GREGSON handed to me all files and put me in the picture.

3. QUARTERS

The Town Major has found a billett for me which is:

166, Corso CAVOUR
1st Floor.

Phone 1336.

4. BOOTS

Have see Major WHITLESS, R.S.D. 500 A.O.D. and will arrange for U.S. Boots to be moved to Lt. ROCCA when possible.

5. TRANSPORT

It is most important that a driver is found for me as the question of leaving the truck, unattended has caused difficulty with the U.M.P.

6. NEW DEPOT

The change over to the new warehouse is progressing. I saw that several of the I.T.I. labour men had cut away the linen covers from the tables in order to make carrying heads this I stopped at once and had them put on the bales again this was done at once.

7. RUBBER TRUCK

The run flat tyre will prove most difficult as they are now obsolescent and will only be given to forward transport.

8. DUNNAGE

Eleven wagons of timber for bottoms was sent out to new warehouse to day 1.VII.44 Shall go up to depot and advise the best use of this timber.

1 JULY 44

Maj. R.A.O.C.

M.H.

in the picture.

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The Town Major has found a billet for me which is:

155, CORCO CAVOUA
1-st FLOOR.

Phone 15536.

4. BOOTS

Have see Major WHITING, R.S.D. 500 A.O.D. and will arrange for U.S. Boots to be moved to LA ROJUA when possible.

5. TRANSPORT

It is most important that a driver is found for me as the question of leaving the truck, unattended has caused difficulty with the C.M.P.

6. NEW DEPOT

The change over to the new warehouse is progressing. I saw that several of the I.L.I. labour men had cut away the linen covers from the tables in order to make carrying hoods this I stopped at once and had them put on the bales again this was done at once.

7. HUNTER CRUJA

The run flat tyre will prove most difficult as they are now obsolescent and will only be given to forward transport.

8. DENNACH

Eleven wagons of timber for buttons was sent out to new warehouse to day 1.VII.44 Shall go up to depot and advise the best use of this timber.

1 July 44

Maj. H.A.O.S.

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