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Reinforcements1049
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Aug. 31, 1944 - Aug. 12, 1945

Subject: Reinforcement Procedure.

227 Italian Div

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MOV NAPLES

MIA IO

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HQ MIA

MIA IO BARI

3 District
Baseball Ext 5
764/G

112 Aug 45

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The system outlined below will be followed in reinforcing all units under your command including those under the direct command of 227 Div East Det.

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The responsibility for keeping these units up to strength is entirely yours.

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The main source of reinforcements will be disbanding BR-ITI and US-ITI units.

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- (c) You will be entirely responsible (subject to the supervision of the British Cadre) for the control and administration of 807 Transit Camp and for the movement in and out of personnel.
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 - (ii) Requirements for Western and Eastern ITALY should be shown separately. Unless you can arrange with SMRE for dispatching direct to units, requirements for Western ITALY will be dispatched to RAVISCANINA and Eastern ITALY to BARI.
 - (iii) Where personnel included in these demands subsequently become available from a source under your control, the demand should be cancelled forthwith.

.....Para 7

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7.

Rail Movement.(a) POM Routes.

- (i) Where movement of personnel on AFHQ POM routes is required, bids will be made to SMRE for submission to the AFHQ POM conference through HQ MMIA.
- (ii) AFHQ POM conference takes place every Monday and bids should be timed to reach HQ MMIA by the preceding Thursday.
- (iii) Accepted bids are met during the week beginning seven days after the date of each conference.

(b) Other Routes.

- (i) Movement on local rail routes should be arranged with 608, 609 and 610 Movement Control Areas (Delegazioni Trasporti) at ROME, BARI and NAPLES as applicable.
- (ii) Local rail routes are defined at Appx B. All other routes are controlled by AFHQ POM.

J. A. Green
(DA GREEN) Maj
for Lt Col
GS

Appx A to 3 District
764/G. of 12 Aug 45.

FROM: MIA

TO: MIA LO EIGHTH ARMY
MIA LO Tenth Army FOR DOX.

MIA LO 1. District.
MIA LO 3. District.

INFO: MIA LO N.W. ITALY.

MIA LO EASTERN ITALY.

FLORANCE CITY COMMAND MIA LO FOR THRUPP

DATE. TIME OF ORIGIN
04 1625 B.

REF: A 1152

RESTRICTED

In order to assist MIA in making bulk allotments of reinforcements from transferred US-ITI'S and other sources addressees will obtain following information weekly until further notice from respective BR-ITI Admin Div and employing British Formation and Signal each Monday commencing July 9 to MIA(.) MIA LO DISTONE will signal information for 209 and 230 Divs.

ONE. Approximate total requirements without distinction between deficiencies against W, E, and replacements required for demobilizable personnel for all units either BR-ITI or ITI-ITI under command of the Division(.) Figures for BR-ITI's combined will be broken down as follows.

A	PIONEERS	(.)
B	GUARDS	(.)
C	MT AND MECH	(.)
D	ENG'S	(.)
E	SIGS	(.)
F	ARMED	(.)
G	OTHER PERSONNEL	(.)

Surplus to W.T. in any units within the Adm Div will reduce the total deficiencies reported (.) Info is NOT rpt NOT wanted for individual units or categories (.)

THO(.) Reference for last draft of reinforcements which has been taken in making up above figures (.)

WHERE (.) Reduction in service units planned by employing British formation broken down as in para 1 which would entail release of personnel against deficiencies in para 1.

PRECEDENCE: E IS

AUTHENTICATED: J H Dobbs, Maj.

Appx B to 3 District
764/G. of 12 Aug 45

LOCAL RAIL ROUTES

A R E A

MOVEMENTS HQ RESPONSIBLE

1. Internal movement within the province of CALABRIA

Movements NAPLES

2. Internal movement over the section of the line bounded by inclusive CASERTA-AVERSA-
NATTIPAGLIA-AVELLINO

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3. Internal movement over the section of the line bounded by exclusive
FOGGIA-POTENZA-METAPONTO

Movements BARI

4. Movement out of the area in para 3 above into CALABRIA via TARANTO-METAPONTO

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5. Internal movement over the section of the line bounded by inclusive CIVITAVECCHIA-FIUMICINO-ANZIO-BAGNI DI TIVOLE
ROME SMISTAMENTO-AUGILLARA

Movements ROME

SECRET

SUBJECT: Re-organization of BR-III Base Depot

All concerned

2 Jul 45

1. The following plans for reorganization of BR-III Reinforcement Depots and Schools have been notified by AFHQ (AG 09L 711/051 OCT-0 of 26 Jun 45).

2. It is not intended to maintain the distinction between the combat and service troops of the Italian Army. Separate holdings of reinforcements for combat and service troops will be pooled at the Italian Reinforcement Training Centre, CESSANO.

3. The Italian Base Reinforcement Depot at ORVIERO will become the Reorganization Centre for Italian Army Units. All Priority List Night units will be formed at this Centre, and where possible, units for disbandment will be sent to ORVIERO so that personnel and equipment may be transferred to new units as required. MMIA in conjunction with HQ 1 District will prepare war establishment proposals for the minimum Italian and British staffs considered necessary to complete the Priority List Night programme at ORVIERO. MMIA will also submit recommendations for the capacity of this depot. Personnel mobilizing at ORVIERO will be held against the ceiling allotted for unformed but authorized units of the Italian Army (BR-IVTs) and NOT against the authorized reinforcement holding of 7,500.

4. The Italian Reinforcement Centre at CESSANO will be reorganized to train the Italian Army in accordance with the policy outlined in this directive.

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5. Separate instructions will be issued for demanding reinforcements from CESAMO. No reinforcements will be available from ORVIERO.

6. Command and administration of the Reinforcement Training Centre will remain as at present. The Reorganisation Centre at ORVIERO will be under command and administration Headquarters 1 District.

7. The above reorganisation will be completed not later than 25 July 1945.

(JF WILSON) Maj
25 JUL 1945
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F O N O G R A M M A

ALL'UFFICIO DEL GENERALE ADDETTO
 AL COMANDO ARTIGLIERIA E GENIO TERRITORIALE
 AL COMANDO SPECIALE RR.ACCADEMIE MILITARI
 ALLA DIREZIONE SANITA' e COMM/TO MILIT.TERR/LE
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 AL COMANDO DEPOSITO CARBURANTI E LUBRIFICANTI
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AL COMANDO 804° CAMPO AFFLUENZA COMPLEMENTI
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 Military Personnel who was to be
 sent to a/s Camps will be sent to
 803 Reinforcement Camp Raviscanina
 (Napoli).*

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FROM NMIA

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TO MINISTRY OF WAR

INFO AFHQ

NMIA LO REAR EIGHTH ARMY

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NMIA LO 1 DISTRICT

FIFTH ARMY FOR BRITISH INCREMENT

EIGHTH ARMY

NMIA LO 2 DISTRICT

1 DISTRICT

NMIA LO 3 DISTRICT

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NMIA LO 54 AREA

3 DISTRICT

NMIA LO PENSOUTH

50,51,52,53,56 BLU

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NMIA LO FIFTH ARMY BR INCR

GR103 BT

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FOURX . AUTHORITY FOR BR-ITI UNITS TO HOLD 5 PER CENT SURPLUS TO W E

IS CANCELLED SINCE SUPERSEDED BY ABOVE ARRANGEMENT

BT 220925B

SENT NR6927 221236B JN AR K

RD NR 6927 JH K

23 JUN 1945

25 MAY 1945

Lo/2/5D

Vice Comando

N°08/2099/Opd. di prot.

Bari, 14 19 maggio 1945.-

OGGETTO: Addestramento complementi.-

AL COMANDO-5° PORT OPERATIVE GROUP-BARI
e per conoscenza,
SALA M.M.I.A. LO

BARI

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1. - Il 921° Reparto Portuale di Barletta ha avuto assegnati in questi giorni circa 200 complementi per completare l'organico e per sostituire militari che per effetto delle disposizioni in vigore sono stati collocati in congedo.-
2. - Circa cento di questi complementi hanno bisogno di un periodo di istruzione per diventare specializzati e cioè:
50 stivatori
25 armisti
25 verricellisti
3. - Poiché il 921° reparto portuale svolge attualmente attività molto ridotta l'addestramento del personale non può effettuarsi rapidamente.-
4. - Si propone pertanto di trasferire temporaneamente a Bari presso il 922° reparto portuale i 100 uomini del 921° Reparto per un periodo di addestramento che cotesto comando stesso potrà stabilire.-
5. - Si resta in attesa delle decisioni di cotesto comando.-



IL VICE COMANDANTE
Col. S. S. I. Loris-

Telephon
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in support

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FROM MMIA 10 1655B

TO MINISTRY OF WAR

INFO BRITISH CADRE 802 BRD : BRITISH CADRE 803 BRD : BRITISH

CADRE 804 BRD : DISTWO : DISTWO FOR MMIA LO : ~~DISTWO~~ DISTONE SOR

MMIA LO : 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO : "F" BLU RTC ICF

GR 57 BT

A1063 RESTRICTED

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE ALL ITALIAN UNITS UNDER COMMAND 2 ~~DISTWO~~ /
DISTRICT OTHER THAN COMBAT UNITS WILL BE REINFORCED FROM 802 BRD
ORVIETO (.) CONSOLIDATED REINFORCEMENT DEMAND WILL BE SUBMITTED BY
230 DIVISION (.) REINFORCEMENTS WILL BE ROUTED TO 801 TRANSIT CAMP
AREZZO (.) REINFORCEMENTS FOR COMBAT UNITS INCL NO 1 GUARD REGT WILL BE
PROVIDED FROM RTC ICF CESANO

BT 10 1655B

SENT NR 1842" SLW " 2007B/10 B K

RD 2010B EM B P K

Subject:- R.A.M.C. Officer.

D.D.M.S., 3, District.

Copies to:

M.M.I.A., Rome.

M.M.I.A.L.O., Bari.

20/2/50 *Wax*
M.M.I.A./193/45.
(132)
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Reference M.M.I.A. Rome letter M/2/1652 dated 16th April. For your information, the British R.A.M.C. officer attached to this Depot has been recalled to his unit.

This is a severe loss to the Depot, as his work has proved of immense benefit, and has resulted in greatly improved sanitary conditions.

It is therefore urgently requested that another British R.A.M.C. officer be attached to this Depot at the earliest, particularly as the hot weather is approaching.

The ceiling for this Depot is 7,000 Italian Personnel.

Field.

C.M.F.

20/4/45.

[Signature]

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Major, R.A.,

Commanding British Cadre,

804, Italian Base Reinforcements Depot, TRANI.

Subject : Surplus - Officers.
924 (Italian) Docks Operating
Coy.

128.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA).
c/o 54 Area.
LO/2/SD. 11/4/45.

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To : D.D.Tn., (Docks).

Ref. Tn.1(a)/4314/M of 8 April and my conversation with Capt. Badger.

1. I have spoken to 9 Territorial HQ, BARI and understand that two of the officers referred to in your para 1 were posted as replacements of Lts. Colagiovanni and Philadelphia who were due for retirement. It has been found that the last named two are now prepared to stay on, so that the two replacements will be posted away.
2. The other two officers referred to in your para 1 will also be posted away at an early date.

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Copy to: 9 Territorial HQ, BARI.

G P Holt

G.P.HOLT, Major.
Senior M.M.I.A.L.O.
54 Area.

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Subject : Surplus - Officers.
924 (Italian) Docks Operating Coy.

To : M.M.I.A., L.O.,
c/o H.Q. 54 Area.

D.D.Tn., (Docks),
C.M.F.

Tel. Ext. 12593.
Tn. 1(a)/4314/M.

8 Apr 45.

1. The under-named reinforcement officers have recently been posted to 924 (Italian) Docks Operating Coy. at Brindisi :-

2/Lt. COCCAPALMIERI Ferdinando di Amedeo
2/Lt. MONICO Renzo
2/Lt. SATTA Pietro
2/Lt. RICCI Luigi.

2. The arrival of these officers puts this unit 4 officers over strength. If it is the intention to replace some of the older officers of this unit then I feel that strong representations must be made to the Italian authorities requesting that these surplus officers be withdrawn. In any case they are an encumbrance. 1126

3. Most of the present officers of this unit have become well trained in the technical side of their work and considerable improvement has taken place during the past three months in the domestic economy of the Company. Any changes in officer personnel will certainly cause this Company to deteriorate both technically and administratively, particularly in view of the fact that these reinforcement officers are untrained.

3. I shall be pleased if you can make arrangements for their early withdrawal.

H.G. Pottle

Colonel,
D.D.Tn. (Docks).
(H.G. POTTLE).

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CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBJECT: Reinforcement Drafts
-----LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

A/150

97 March 45

TO : 'F' BLU? RTC ICF
British Cadre 802 BRD ORVIETO
British Cadre 803 BRD AFRAGOLA
British Cadre 804 BRD TRANI

Copy to: Ministry of War
MMIA LO Rear 8 Army
MMIA LO British Increment 5 Army
MMIA LO 1 District
MMIA LO 3 District
MMIA LO 54 Area
MMIA LO 52 Area

1. It is reported by MMIA LO 8 Army that some confusion arises when drafts of reinforcements arrive at railhead sometimes in bits and pieces, at less than strength stated.

2. You are requested to arrange for each draft to be given a Serial Number, and that this Serial Number together with their classification (Combat, pns, Engineers, etc.) be used and emphasised from the time of bidding until the completion of move.

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60D.
Major General
M.M.I.A.

MESSAGE FORM

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

Register No. **(7)**

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
			CIPHER CIPHER 533/27 and 574/27

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin.	Office Date Stamp
	IMIA	261845A	

For Action.

54 Area for IMIALO 504 Italian IRD Transl

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. GR

AMHQ for GSO 1 Brit GSC 3 & Org HQ 15 Army Group
Distone 5 Army Br Incr for IMIALO Distone for IMIALO
52 Area for IMIALO Sigs Berletta for O'Donnell HQ

Originator's No.

SD 2525. Secret.

First. 612 Middle East (quart) volunteers will be disposed of as follows.

A. 172 NF to 5th Army British Increment as bid in IMIA S 2507 1 2 4
of 22nd serial 14. B. 150 to 1 Field Remount Depot Persano (query

C. 150 to 612 Base Remount Depot Persano. D. 220 to Possombrone
including following specialists.

Parriers one Sgt 7 Cpls 5 Ptes. Saddlers 1 Sgt 4 Cpls 13 Ptes.

Interpreter 1 rte. E. 120 to Bari for LFA.

For IMIA TO 54 Area. Contact Maj Benn HQ LFA to arrange selection.

Second. This HQ will bid for move of serial BCDE in week starting

9th April.

Third. For AMHQ. Your TX 47207 H661 of 22 refers

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Distone 5 ARMY BR INCR 100 MILANO DISTONE 100 MILANO
52 Area 100 MILANO SIGS DISTONE 100 MILANO HQ LPA

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For MILIA LO 54 Area. Contact Maj Benn HQ LPA to arrange selection.

Second. This HQ will bid for move of serial 2075 in week starting 9th April.

Third. For AMHQ. Your TX 47807 REHQ of 22 refers

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This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER.	Originator's Instructions. Degree of Priority. Important	Time	System	Op.
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Signed.	Signed.		Time Cleared		

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SECRET

SUBJECT: GARIBALDI Div

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/41/3
18 March 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Copy to: "F" BLV, RTO ICF
MMIA LO 52 AREA
MMIA LO 54 AREA

In reply to your 11578/ORD dated 18 March 45.

1. Will you please instruct those personnel of the GARIBALDI Div, who are between the ages of 20 and 30 and are accepted into the present Italian Army, to report to ICF, RTO CRESANO, where they will be accommodated at ORIOLO Camp. From your letter it appears that the strength will be between 1,500 and 2,000.

2. Every endeavour will be made to keep the men of GARIBALDI Div in one Unit and so preserve the good name of GARIBALDI. A letter is being addressed to AFHQ on this subject.

3. In the meantime will you please say:-

(a) How many men movement should be bid for at this time from TARANTO to CRESANO.

(b) How many personnel will report after 30 days leave.

/s/ S.M. INGLEDEN, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

Internal: MA to GOC

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Transmission Instructions

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FROM
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

For Action

830 Div FPMI EMIA LO 82 AREA - 87 Cadre 804 HND
(up hand)

(W) For Information (INFO)

EMIA

-Message Instructions- -GR-

Originator's No.

830/240 (. . .) Italian increment 600 art works Coy ap. for
100 all ranks will move to Tami to become reinforcements for other
art works Coy as required (. . .) All baggage and accommodation stores will
be taken (. . .) For EMIA LO 82 Area (. . .) Please coordinate move

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Subject: Ref. 3X Italian Base Wits. Depot, RR.

M.L.I., L.O.,

c/o H.C. 54 Area,

C. M. F.

M.L.I., L.O.,

TC160

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Ref. your letter, IC/2/SD, dated 15 Mar 45.

I. (a) Soap is on issue, but it is pointed out that the soap ration for any given month is based on the average ration strength for the middle fortnight of the previous month. The strength at the beginning of March was greater than the number of soap rations received. To prevent discontent among the troops, the Italian authorities postponed distribution of soap pending a further supply against a supplementary indent.

I. (b) There is no information available at this H.Q. that suggests any of the draft were category. It is understood the Medical Officer of 405 Regiment is sending before a Medical Board 78 men who are considered by him unfit for work. It would be appreciated if the results of this Board could be made known to this H.Q. It is pointed out that 35 personnel of the draft were sent back to this Depot, the reason is not exactly known. The representative they were sent back because being of the 1924 class they were considered raw recruits without military experience while the Adjutant of 66 Pioneer Group advised by telephone that he thought it was because they were unfit. Appendix A of the letter gives the date of enlistment into the Army and the medical fitness of the e/m personnel.

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I. (c) The stocks of Mess Kit do not allow for issue to new or draft and can only be supplied on loan to personnel while actually in transit in this Depot.

(d) The clothing issued is that released to this Depot by M.M.I.A. L.O. 54 Arse, and was of the same quality as the stocks shown.

(e) 2. It is not agreed that the clothing is n/s but it is agreed that the clothing received and issued is far from satisfactory.

SHEET I.

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Cont. from Sheet I.

(d) 2. The 25 rejects were specially paroled immediately on arrival at this Depot and inspected by D.S. British Cadre, R.A.M.L.C., and R.A.M.C. Officer and the Italian Battalion Commander concerned. No close were observed where Battle Dress or Boots were worn. As we are not of the opinion that the clothing is a/s and consider it the best available no comments were thought necessary.

I. (e) It is regretted that men arrived in civilian clothing.

The men who were seen to enter were not dressed in civilian clothes, but the whole draft ~~was~~ not seen.

(e) 2. If men of the total draft had been in the Depot 1 day, 59 had been in the Depot 2 days. All these these men were trained soldiers, and this is a transit camp. It is pointed out that when troops are moved at very short notice it is impossible to hand-pick men.

I. (f) The abolition function as normally, soap and towels are now available.

(f) 2. As far as records show, no men without basic training were sent.

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2. (a) In conclusion it is pointed out that 40 hrs notice was requested for this draft, actual notice received was from 1600 hrs 8th March to 0830hrs 9th March.

(b) At the time of this draft the clothing situation was such that men were only clothes who were actually going on draft.

19/3/45.

71-14, G.M.F.

E.O. Donnell

Capt.,

Liaison Officer.

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(a) At the time of this draft the clothing situation was such that men were only clothed who were actually going on draft.

19/5/45.

Field, OMF.

EO Donnell Capt.,

Liaison Officer.

Subject. Rfts ex H se Rft Depot - TRANI.

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Liaison Office.
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(MMIA) c/o HQ 54 Area.
LO/2/SD
15 Mar 45.

M.M.I.A. L.O. TRANI.

Ref 66 Pnr Gp letter 66G/30 dated 10 Mar 45 (copy held by you)

1. With reference to above letter, please explain :-
a) ref para 3. Why no man had soap. Soap is a normal issue through Italian Channels, and any failure to supply should be reported to this office. *OK now*

b) ref para 4. Why medical category personnel were included in the draft. *21294*

c) ref para 5. Why mess kit i.e. mess tin and spoon, was not taken.

719 d) ref para 6. 1) Why u/s clothing and boots were issued when 705 B/D blouses, 705 B/D trousers, 1155 Boots, 1226 Shirts cotton, 1224 Drawers woolen, 2081 Socks were held in your stores on 9 Mar.

ii) Why the receipt of U/S clothing etc was not reported immediately to this office.

e) ref para 7. 1) Why men were sent in civilian clothes.
ii) Why men who had only been 1 day in the depot were sent. Where these personnel originated.

f) ref para 8. 1) What arrangements have now been made so that men in TRANI Camp can wash themselves.

ii) How men without basic training could have been included in this draft.

2. Please forward above report immediately, as the information is required by H.Q. MMIA.

J.G. Bird
J.G. BIRD Major.
Senior MMIA LO.
c/o HQ 54 Area.

MAED V MEDY 130270/1 P
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FROM MMIALO DISTHREE 131220A
TO SIGS OFFICE WARETTA FOR O'DONNELL
INFO MMIALO 54 AREA MMIA
QQX BT

EC 268 . RESTRICTED . REF BIRDS SD 118 OF 08 .
REQUEST YOU DESPATCH 1 OFFR AND 40 BERSAGLIERE ORS TO
AFRAGOLA SOONEST THROUGH 609 DETRAMILES
GIVING ETA . FOR MMIA . SPOKE STANTON
T RXXXXX THRU P 121840 REFERS
BT 131220A

EC 268 BIRDS SD 118 08 1 40
BERSAGLIERE ORS AFRAGOLA 609 DETRAMILES
ETA MMIA STANTON THRU P 121840
SENT MMC EBB

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ARMY FORM C 2186 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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MMIA LO 54 AREA

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MMIA LO DISTURB

SIGS OFFICE BARIETTA for
O'DONNELL

TO

(W) For information (INFO)

MMIA

-Message Instructions-

-GR-

Originator's No.

MM/118 (.) RESTRICED (.) Ref phone BIRD - THRU spoke 9 Mar (.)
 ONE OF FOUR COPS BARRAGLERY ex 1 and 2 Report to Novieri 541 Inf Regt
 moved LEGGE on orders 303 Sub Area (.) above personnel now dispatched
 to TRANI (.) For O'DONNELL (.) Request you hold pending instructions
 from THRU

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P.S.S./B/D 30/100 M x 100/944

Subject: Reinforcements Ex Italian Base Reinforcement Depot - TRAIL

Headquarters
66 Group, Air Corps
Ref: 66/30

10 Mar 45

DEL
3 District

MIL 10 54 Area

1. On 9th March 1945, 399 Italian GIs were received as reinforcements for 406 Regt from the Italian Base Reinforcement Depot TRAIL. They were conveyed to RAIL by road under arrangements of this HQ.

2. On arrival I personally inspected the draft and found them to be in a deplorable condition.

3. HYGIENE. The men had not had a wash or bath for days and were unshaven. They needed hair-cuts and not one man had been issued with soap.

4. MEDICAL. The Medical Officer of 406 Regt on his preliminary inspection sent 16 men to hospital who were suffering from scabies and other diseases. A further 29 of the draft are totally unfit for work and will have to be medically boarded for discharge.

5. EQUIPMENT. No small kit, i.e. canteen, knife, fork, spoon or handkerchief had been issued. Great difficulty is being experienced in feeding the men owing to lack of mess-tins, plates, etc.

6. CLOTHING. The battle blouse & trousers issued are U.S. being torn, threadbare, no buttons on the garments, belts and buckles missing. This clothing could only be graded U.S. and fit for refugees. 30% of the boots issued are U.S., none had any laces. These were tied up with bits of string as were the flaps of their trousers. 90% socks U.S. Only 25% of the draft were issued with shirts cotton, and these are all U.S. The draft arrived without caps, greatcoats, towels, soap or underwear. They men were each in possession of 1 blanket.

7. A number of the draft arrived in civilian clothes, although they had been issued with a battle-dress & boots. Neither fitted them and they had been allowed to retain and wear civilian clothes. 30% of the draft stated they had only been in TRAIL Depot 1 day before being sent to RAIL.

8. I proceeded to the Base Reinforcement Depot TRAIL in the afternoon, to get confirmation of the above and enquire why the draft left in such a sad condition. The Camp Commandant agreed that the clothing issued was U.S. but that it was all he had in his store and he further stated that he had initiated for greatcoats, towels, caps, soap etc, but they were not available. He admitted that the despatch and inspection of all drafts leaving his depot was a British responsibility, but this draft had not been inspected, and his depot was a British building. The men could not wash as

1. On 9th March 1945, 389 Italian GIs were received as reinforcements for 406 Regt from the Italian Base Reinforcement Depot TRIUM. They were conveyed to BARI by road under arrangements of this HQ.
2. On arrival I personally inspected the draft and found them to be in a deplorable condition.
3. HUNGARY The men had not had a wash or bath for days and were unshaven. They needed hair-cuts and not one man had been issued with soap.
4. ITALY The Medical Officer of 406 Regt on his preliminary inspection sent 16 men to hospital who were suffering from scabies and other diseases. A further 28% of the draft are totally unfit for work and will have to be medically boarded for discharge.
5. SHIRT-LESS No small kit, i.e. canteen, knife, fork, spoon or handkerchiefs had been issued. Great difficulty is being experienced in feeding the men owing to lack of mess-tins, plates, etc.
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9. I visited the MIA Clothing Store at BARI and there I saw great quantities of excellent battle-dress, repaired boots, greatcoats, underwear, shirts, caps, etc.
10. I suggest that I be allowed to draw all necessary clothing from this store in order that I can re-cloth the reinforcements and get them ready to proceed with their Companies forward. The morale of the men is very low, as can only be expected when they are sent from the Depot in a dirty and ragged condition.

OTHER.....

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No useful purpose would be served in sending any more reinforcements to complete 403 & 406 Regts until we are assured that the men are properly clothed, issued with messing kit, medically inspected and fit for work, as facilities for re-clothing the drafts are not available at the Barracks. Indents for clothing can only be submitted every 14 days to Division.

WHEC/jm

W. S. Harvey Conley

Lt-Colonel.,

(WESJ HARVEY CONLEY)

Commanding 66 Group HQ, Pioneer Corps.

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SUBJECT: Disbandment of Units - Italian Army

7 District
Tel Art 24
104/116 A
4 Mar 45

MAN 24, 1945

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C-(4E)
ST
Ord
Labour
500 Italian Div
MILANO BARY
MILANO
Land Forces Sub-Commission,
AO (MCA).

501, 503 & 510 Italian Div Smoke Corps

Reference attached copies of LFM (E/107/51)(M)(R. 718) dated
2 Mar 45.

1. Disbandment of the a/n units, with effect from 1 Mar 45, will be effected under your supervision.
2. Transport and equipment will be disposed of under the direction of C(4E) and DCS 5, District.
3. Completion reports will be rendered in triplicate to this HQ.

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MAN/5AN

Discharge
for 501
DA & 300

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JP

Subject: Disbandment of Units - Italian Army

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ARMED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OS/107/24 (OS) (Sec. 1798)
2 May 1955

107, 509 & 510 ITALIAN FRONTIER GUARDS
46 ITALIAN INFANTRY IN 697 ITALIAN ARMY CORPS

The units mentioned below will be disbanded as shown in

Unit	Ref	Disbandment Date	Supervisory Authority
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
46 Italian Army to 697 Army Corps	OS/107/1	1 June 55	Dr. Zilio (OS) Milan (108) Army
107 Italian Frontier Guard Company	OS/107/1	1 June 55	HQ No 3 District - Milan
509 " " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
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2. Instructions

(a) The personnel of 16 Italian Infantry to 697 Italian Army Corps will be used to reinforce existing Italian Army (538 Italian Infantry) control in 697 Army Corps.

(b) The personnel of the 107th Division will be incorporated in the Italian Army Corps now undergoing training at 107th.

(c) Instructions for the disposal of personnel will be issued by the 107th Sub-Commission, Italian Commission, (107th).

3. Disbandment of Units

(a) The units mentioned in the instructions will be disbanded with instructions of 107th Army Corps, (107th) Authority.

(b) A list of units disbanded will be sent to (107th), (107th) Army Corps, (107th) Authority.

(107th) Authority
(107th) Authority

(107th) Authority
(107th) Authority

Attention is directed to (107th) (107th).

4. Disbandment

Supervisory authorities will report to (107th) at 107th, (107th), when disbandment is complete.

5. List

107th Army Corps

(2) (31) (30)

16 Italian Engineer
697 1st (US) Coy

107 Italian Pioneer
2nd Coy

509 - 20 -
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107 Italian Pioneer
2nd Coy

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107 Italian Pioneer
2nd Coy

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2. DISPOSITION

(a) The personnel of the Italian Division, 1st 557 Italian Pioneer Company, will be used to reinforce existing Italian units under British control in the Army Group.

(b) The personnel of the Italian Division will be redeployed in new Italian positions (US) and under British control.

(c) Dispositions for the disposal of personnel will be issued by the Italian Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, (US).

3. DISPOSITION & RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) All US forces in the Division are redeployed in accordance with instructions issued by the Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, (US).

(b) A list of Italian personnel will be sent to (US). (US) will be (US).

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(2) (US) (US)

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5. DISPOSITION

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6. DISPOSITION

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Subject: Reinforcement for Railway
Engineers Battalions.

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M.M.I.A. L.O. TRANI.
C/O SIGS. BARLETTA.

TC/52.

28 February 1945.

H.Q. M.M.I.A.

Copy to: M.M.I.A. L.O.

54 Area.

1. Ten. DI FIDIO, MICHELE, of I st Italian Railway Bn., has arrived at TRANI Camp for the purpose of screening reinforcements for Railway Bns., as follows :-

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|-----|---------------------|-----------|
| (a) | 300 for new 3 Coy., | ROME. |
| (b) | 150 for 3 Bn., | PISA. |
| (c) | 150 for 2 Bn., | LEGHORN. |
| (d) | 50 for 13 Bn., | RICCIONE. |
| (e) | 150 for 1 Bn., | AREZZO. |

2. His instructions are signed by Major CARATI, Italian Liaison Officer, and counter-signed by Lt. Col. E.L. TRIPPIET, R.E.

Office of D.M.R.S. Transportation Increment, C.M.F. 172

3. It would seem that Transportation Incr., has not liaised with H.Q., M.M.I.A. in this matter. It would therefore, be appreciated if the question could be taken up with Transportation Incr., and clarified.

4. In the meantime, pending instructions and in view of the specialist nature of the reinforcements required, I am permitting Ten. DI FIDIO to screen for suitable personnel. Figures available will be included in strength returns.

28/2/45.

Field.

Co. Donnell.
Capt.,

Liaison Officer.

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Co Donnell.
Capt.,

Liaison Officer.

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Subject :- Personnel for Traffic Control.

To : MMIA LO 54 Area

(91)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TTC/30
24 Feb 45

The attached correspondence is forwarded
to you for necessary action.

E. L. Munn-Murray

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

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Subject: Traffic Control
(Ital. Military personnel)

PRO/39/76

To : Liaison Offr
M.M.I.A.

22 Feb 45

Ref. attached copy of this Office
PRO/39/73 dated 17 Feb. 45.

Col. ACANFORA, CO "Presidio Militare"
TARANTO, has informed this Office that
application for supply the requested
Italian Military personnel must be pas-
sed to you for onward transmission to
HQ. Corpo d'Armata, Taeni.

Please contact the a/m Italian HQ
with a view to obtain the necessary
personnel and inform this Office in due
course.

S. H. Baird

Field.

Major.
Assistant Provost Marshal.
HQ 52 Area.

Copies to: HQ 52 Area
DAPM 208 Sub Area. 1110

Subject: Traffic Control (Italian Mil. personnel)

PRO/39/73

17 Feb. 45

To: Col. Acanfora
CO Italian Garrison, HQ, Taranto

1. Confirming my verbal request, will you please inform me, as to whether you can supply, 1 Sgt and 20 other ranks, for traffic control duties at BRINDISI.
2. Owing to the pressing need of the personnel of No 2 Italian TC Coy, in the forward Areas, it has been necessary to rely on local resources.
3. DAPM 208 Sub Area (Capt. B.A. GALLIFORD) will undertake to supervise the following:
 - (a) Training and duties
 - (b) Accommodation
 - (c) Rations (attachment to an Italian Unit).
 - (d) Supply of special equipment(sleeves and armbands)
 - (f) Welfare.

Field.

sgd. S.H. BOND Major.
Assistant Provost Marshal.
HQ 52 Area.

Copies to: HQ 52 Area
DAPM 208 Sub Area.

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SUBJECT: Rfts - Italian Smoke Coys.

(88)
Land Forces Sub Gen, A.C.
(M.E.I.A.)
SD/20

17 Feb 45.

To : Capt. O'DONNELL, Sigs Office BARLETTA.

copy to: 3 Dist:
MIA LO 3 Dist:
MIA LO 54 Area
Ministry of War.
LAB.

Ref MIA LO 3 Dist letter 3 DLO/6 of 11 Feb 45.

1. 507 and 509 Smoke Coys are moving from ANZIO to TRANI during the week 19-25 Feb under arrangements made by AFHQ.
2. On arrival these coys will be broken up to provide div trainees and also rfts for Smoke Units as follows: -

502 Smoke Coy	BRINDISI	- 20
508 " "	BARI	- 80

Please arrange local mov as necessary.

3. Rfts for 506 Smoke Coy CANCELLLO will be provided from AFRAGOLA as available. 1108

trc.

23/2 *[Signature]*

[Signature]
Major General..
M.E.I.A.

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P.M.3800 li, 6 febbraio 1945

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AL COMANDO TERRITORIALE di

Risposta al foglio n.442/ST in data 16 gennaio u.s.--

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
F/to Alessandro Santi

at •

Uff. S.M. - Ordinamento -

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Barl. 11, 14 febbraio 1945

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AL MAGGIORE BIRD - Uff. di collegamento Sottocommissione
Forze sbarco A.C. (M.M.I.A.) presso 54^ Area
(rif. f.n. LO/2/SD data 25.1.1945) B A R I

IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S. M.
(Giuseppe Piazza)

16/2

FOMOGRAMMA DALLA 230 DIVISIONE

BARI 17 FEBBRAIO 1955

DAL COMANDO 230 DIVISIONE
ALLA M.M.I.A. LO 54 AREA
N.1512/ST RISPONDO A FONO SD/75 DATA ODIERNA ALT SITUAZIONE CUI
LETTERA 3° DISTRETTO 766/G DATA 11 CORRENTE GIA' RICHIESTA AT 541
REGGIMENTO FANTERIA ET COMANDO CAMPO TRANI ALT APPENA PERVERANNO
SARANNO ~~XX~~ TEMPESTIVAMENTE TRASMESSE CODESTO UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO
ALT FIRMATO GENERALE VIVALDA
TRASMETTE ARTIGLIERE PERSELLO

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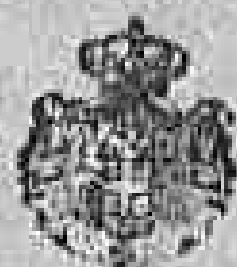
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Comilit Bari n.525/Ord punto Presento est diretto at Comiter Roma
et per conoscenza Stanaggiore Mobilitazione riferimento tele numero
12167/Mob.data 1^a corrente punto In seguito at ordine Stanaggiore
Mobilitazione questo Comando dispose trasferimento da 252/A compa-
gnia teloradio Martine France at Fano di n.3 radiomontatori richie-
sti da 8/A Armata punto Poichè compagnia est partita per Cesano sen-
za fornire assicurazione(,)pregasi complacersi comunicare se movi-
mento est stato effettuato et sotto quale data onde informare Stanag-
giore et locale ufficio collegamento M.M.I.A.punto Comilit Bari 120015

IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.

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MINISTERO DELL'AGRICOLTURA E DELLE FORESTE

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELL'ALIMENTAZIONE

Concessioni speciali per MILITARI
comandati in servizio fuori sede - Mod. M. S.

Serie A

CONCESSIONI

dal N. 04381 al N. 04390

Rilasciate dal Comando Militare di _____

Buoni per somministrazioni di generi razionati e di pane ai Militari

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COMANDO 230^a DIVISIONE
S.M. - Ufficio Ordinamento e Personale

N. 1239/ST di prot.

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Bari, li 12 febbraio 1945

OGGETTO: richiesta complementi.-

AL COMANDO 403° REGGIMENTO PIONIERI ITALIANI	B A R I
AL COMANDO 404° REGGIMENTO PIONIERI ITALIANI	BRINDISI
AL COMANDO 406° REGGIMENTO PIONIERI ITALIANI	TARANTO
AL COMANDO 541° REGGIMENTO PANTERIA	P.M. 185
AL COMANDO 72° NUCLEO ITALIANO PER C/DO GENIO 2° DST.	B A R I
AL COMANDO CAMPO AFFLUENZA COMPLEMENTI	T R A N I
AL COMANDO 2° COMPAGNIA CONTROLLO TRAFFICO	BITONTO
AL COMANDO 921° REPARTO PORTUALE	BARLETTA
AL COMANDO SOTTOZONA P.I. E D.A.P.	S. SEVERO
AL COMANDO DISTACCAMENTO ITALIANO 14° BAD	TEHLIZZI
AL COMANDO COMPAGNIA FORMAZIONE CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO	POLIGNANO
AL COMANDO 953° COMPAGNIA OFFICINA PER A.A.	MOLFETTA
AL COMANDO 1008° REPARTO AUTIERI PER A.A.	CONVERSANO
AL COMANDO 1009° REPARTO AUTIERI PER A.A.	LUCERA

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTI M.M.I.A.

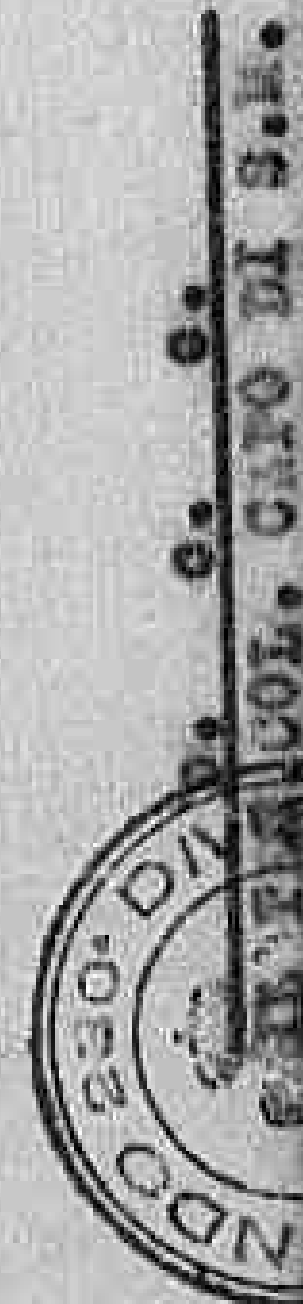
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Copia delle richieste di che trattasi dovrà essere inoltrata a questo comando per conoscenza.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
-Lorenzo Vivalda-



AL COMANDO 541° REGGIMENTO FANTERIA P.M. 185
 AL COMANDO 72° NUCLEO ITALIANO PER C/DO GENIO 2° DST. B A R I
 AL COMANDO CAMPO AFILUENZA COMPLEMENTI T R A N I
 AL COMANDO 2° COMPAGNIA CONTROLLO TRAFFICO RITONTO
 AL COMANDO 921° REPARTO PORTUALE BARLETTA
 AL COMANDO SOTTOZONA P.I. E D.A.P. S. SEVERO
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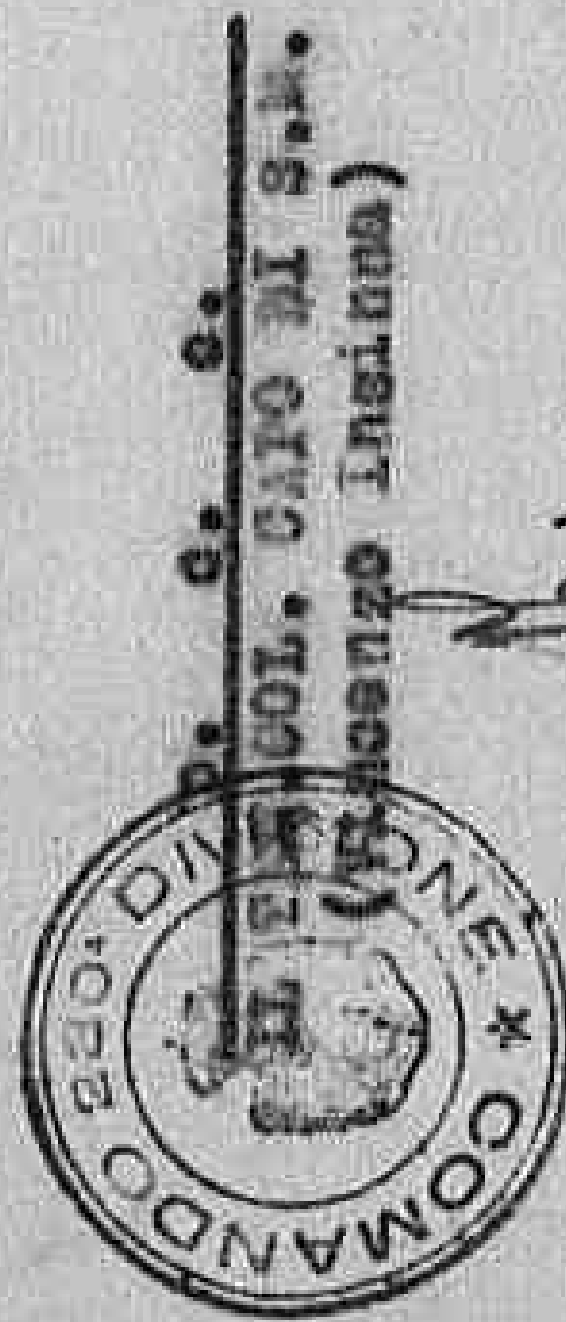
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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
 -Lorenzo Vivalda-



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MAED V LROF NR274 IMPORTANT

FROM MMIA 13/1720A

TO 54 AREA~~BT~~ BT

X158 RESTRICTED

(69)

FOR MMIA LO . REF YOUR SD/57 OF 5 FEB . INSTRUMENT MECHANIS URGENTLY
REQUIRED . 252 COY MUST RELEASE

BT13/1725A

SENT NR 274 14/0117A CP B

RD 274 0123 HEC AR K

1103

M 2P

Answered

Subject:- Rfts - Italian Smoke Coys.

3HLO/6
11 Feb 45.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROMAN.

Copy: MMIA LO TRANI Base Rft Depot.
MMIA LO 54 Area.
Lab (your 3HLO/279/L of 10 Feb refers)

1. Since it is understood that 507 and 509 Italian Smoke Coys are proceeding to TRANI Base Rft Depot for disbandment Lab 3 District have applied to have a proportion of the smoke trained personnel posted to existing smoke units which have deficiencies as follows:- /to be

Unit.	Location.	Deficiencies.
502 Italian Smoke Coy.	BRINDISI BARI	20
506 " " "	CANCELLO	103
508 " " "	BARI BRINDISI	52

It is pointed out that both 507 and 508 Coys are still operating circuits and that 506 Coy may be required for operational work.

2. May a decision please be given in this matter.

13/2 1/5 Noted favourably
ad errors reported
MMIA

[Signature]
Major,
MMIA LO,
3 District.

cm/bp

3 - FEB 1945
 COMANDO 230^a DIVISIONE
 -S.M.-Ufficio Ordinamento e Personale
 -----000-----

Bari, 31 Gennaio 1945

N. 892/ST di prot.

O G G E T T O: Complementi.--

AL COMANDO CAMPO AFFLUENZA COMPLEMENTI
 e, per conoscenza:
 ALL'UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO M.M.I.A.-Lo

T R A N IB A R I

~~~~~  
 In seguito ad intese verbali con il Maggiore Bird dell'Ufficio Collegamento M.M.I.A.-Lo di Bari, prego disporre - previi accordi con il Maggiore di collegamento di codesto Campo - che tra i 100 complementi da inviare a Bari per conto del 66° Gruppo P.I. siano compresi tutti i militari idonei della Divisione "Garibaldi" rimpatriati dalla Balcania ed attualmente in forza a codesto Campo.--



IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
 (Eugenio Vivalda)

1101

3/1 gp

Done

ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

Register No.

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM  
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

MMIALO 54 AREA

05 1745 A

For Action

MMIA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE STAMP

Message Instructions

GR

Originator's No.

SD/57 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref your SD 2216 of 31 (.) FIRST (.) Territorial  
H<sub>1</sub> have informed SMRE as follows (.) ONE instrument mechanic only with  
252 Coy (.) now on leave (.) Transfer of these personnel would make unit  
ineffective (.) Awaiting further instructions from SMRE (.) SECOND (.)  
Please hasten SMRE decision

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Time cleared

(GTY-001) W.L. 40255-701, 991 000 Ppds. 1/42, B & S. Ind. 69214

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FONOGRAMMA

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MANO

URGENTE

DAL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE

BARI

AL MAGGIORE BIRD - Ufficiale Collegamento  
Sottocommissione Forze Sbarco A.A. (M.M.I.A.)  
presso 54<sup>a</sup> Area

BARI

Nr. 390/Ord punto Riferimento telegramma SD/53 data 4 corrente  
punto Est già stato comunicato al S.M.R.E. che 252<sup>a</sup> compagnia  
teleradio habet in forza soltanto un radiomontatore attualmente  
in licenza punto Trasferimento detto elemento metterebbe in crisi  
il reparto per cui attendonsi altre istruzioni da S.M.R.E. punto

Bari li, 5 febbraio 1945

d'ordine

IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
(Giuseppe Piazza)



5/1 9/5

*Reservato  
57 MAR 1945*

*2099*



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Direzione Generale dell'Alimentazione

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dal N. 0228801

al N. 0228810

Rilasciate dal Comando Militare di \_\_\_\_\_

## MESSAGE FORM

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

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041620

For Action.

MMIA LO 54 Area

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Signal Barletta for O'DONNELL

Message Instructions.

GR

Originator's No.

Secret Mov 688

Ref your SD/52 of Jan 17 175 Rly  
 Engineer scheduled to (more?) via  
 Anconer Ferry in week commencing 2008  
 5th Feb authority AFMCP FX 91794  
 ate FMGAS of 26 Jan 0 Request  
 you contact local movements for  
 detailed timings

EXTRANI

5/00

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TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

GR

Signal Barletta for O'DONNELL

Originator's No.

Secret Nov 688

(62)

Ref your SD/52 of Jan 0 175 Rly  
 Inquiries scheduled to (more?) via

Answer Ferry in week commencing 098

5th Feb authority AFHQ FX91794

etc FHGAS of 26 Jan 0 Request

you contact local movements for

detailed timings

EXTRAM

TO NORTH

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into enemy hands this message must

be sent IN CLEAR.

Originator's Instructions.

Degree of Priority

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THI or TOR

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Time Cleared

ARMY FORM 2136 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

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Priority

Transmission Instructions

Repeater No.

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM  
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Originator

Date-Time of Origin

MMIALO 54 AREA

04 1105 A

For Action

TERRITORIAL HQ BARI

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE STAMP

Message Instructions

GR

Originator's No.

SD/53 (.) SECRET (.) Information received that SMRE are sending THREE instrument mechanics direct to PESARO rpt PESARO for CREMONA Div from 252 Teleradio Coy MARTINA FRANCA (.) Please expedite despatch and inform this office day of departure and estimate time of arrival at PESARO

1097

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THREATOR

Time cleared

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J. B. M. M. M.

INTERCOM.

ARMY FORM 62130 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

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MMIA 10 04 1900  
For Action

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TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

MMIA rpt SIGS BARLETTA for O'DONNELL

Message Instructions

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Originator's No.

SD/02 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref 150 rpt 150 Railway Engineer of the  
TRANS COM (.) Request Movement (.) Morale ing 6THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN  
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2/SD

(60)

SUBJECT: ITI-ITI Rfts from TRANI Base Rft Center

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
File No. SD/13  
3/Jan 45

TO : MMIA LO 54 AREA

(43)

Your ref.: LO/2/SD of 22 Jan 45.

1. It is not clear from the letter of Territorial HQ, BARI just what they propose to do, but if their idea is to transfer 5 NCOs and 214 men from Gd Bns to other ITI-ITI units and then get replacements from TRANI for the depleted Gd Bns, the answer is no.

2. Please so inform Territorial HQ, BARI.

1095

3/1 JP N.A.  
They know this now  
Rex E. Pinkley  
Major General  
M. M. I. A.

Internal: Circ  
B/B

WS

lm.

FONOGRAMMA A MANO  
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DAL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI

BARI

AL MAGGIORE BIRD - Ufficiale di Collegamento Sottocom  
missione Forze Sbarco A.C.(M.M.I.A.) presso 54^Area

BARI

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Nr. 343/Ord. punto Si conferma avvenuta ripartizione 300 uomini  
rinforzo ITI-ITI cui foglio cotesto ufficio SD/48 data odierna  
punto

Bari 11, 1° febbraio 1945



d'ordine

IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
(Giuseppe Piazza)

3/1 g/b  
Good

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ARMY FORM O 2186 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

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Originator

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

MIA LO 64 AREA

For Action

02 JUL 64

TO

(W) For information (INFO)

Message Instructions - GR -

Originator's No.

35/60 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) Ref your 302216 of 31 (.) Destination  
 Received GEARO rpt GEARO (.) Request WAPNEP

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ARMY FORM O 2186 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

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MMIALO 54 AREA

01 1200 A

For Action

TERRITORIAL HQ BARI

TO

(W) For information (INFO)

-Message Instructions- 02-

Originator's No.

SD/48 (...) CONFIDENTIAL (...) Warning order (...) Movement order for 300  
 ITI-ITI reinforcements from REGGIO to BARI has been requested by  
 MMIA (...) Presume allocation of these reinforcements already decided  
 (...) Please confirm.

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MMIALO 54 AREA

31 1600 A

For Action

SIGS OFFICE BARLETTA FOR O'DONNELL

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

-Message Instructions-

-GR-

Originator's No.

SD/47 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Authy DISTURB EAST SD 160 of 31 Jan (.)  
 300 rfts ex TRANI by rail agent (.) 100 to FOGGIA for 16 Eng Coy  
 (.) 100 to BARI for 66 Gp Par Corps (.) 100 to TARANTO for ADL (.)  
 Team (.) Mov BARLETTA recd above signal

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P.S.S./B/D.30/100 Mx100/5-46

RESTRICTEDSUBJECT: Surplus personnelLAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.G.  
(M.M.I.A.)File No. 3D/48  
25 Jan 48TO : WAR MINISTRYCopy to: PMS  
PMSOUTH  
PMSOUTH FOR MIA LO  
MIA LO 54 AREA3 DISTRICT  
MIA LO 3 DISTRICT

1. There are at present in CAMBANG 16 officers and 400 ORs formerly attached to the 11/3 Inf Regt "MOMA" Division, now surplus to authorised strengths.

2. Please arrange immediate transfer of this unit to ASTROMI Camp for allocation as reinforcements for US-ITI Category assigned to PMS.

*[Signature]*  
Major General  
M. M. I. A.

Internal: A/Q  
Mev  
3D/58/2  
3D/50

copy sent to  
LOS 2 area  
30/1/48  
noted! #5

FONEGRAMMA IN PAZIENZA A MAFU

BARI, 11 27 GENNAIO 1945

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DA COMITER BARI

AT MAGGIORE **BIRD** - UFFICIALE COLLEGAMENTO SOTTOCOMMISSIONE  
FORZE SBARCO A.C. (M.M.I.A.) PRESSO 54<sup>a</sup> AREA DI B A R I

T E S T O: N. 2403/2 ALT PREGASI AUTORIZZARE PRELIEVO DA CAMPO AFFLUENZA DI  
TRAM N. 5 SOTTUFFICIALI ET 32 UOMINI DI TRUPPA INCONDIZIONATAMENTE  
TE IDONEI DA ASSEGNARE AT REPARTI LAVORATORI DIFESENZE ALLIBATI IN  
SOSTITUZIONE DI ALTRETTANTI MILITARI VOLONTARI PER REPARTI OPERAN-  
TI (GRUPPI COMBATTIMENTI) ALT COMANDO TERRITORIALE BARI

28/1/45

Disavved  
File Ryle

2/50



Br. 1003

N. 2917 del Catal.  
(R. 1941 - Anno XIX)

N. \_\_\_\_\_ di protocollo

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*Risposta al foglio del*

17

**ELENCO** delle carte che si trasmettono al

| Numero<br>d'ordine | DESCRIZIONE SOMMARIA DELLE CARTE<br>USO E MOTIVO PER CUI SI TRASMETTONO | Annotazioni |
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Subject. Transfer ( ) Personnel.

(48)

Liaison Office.  
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(MMIA) c/o 54 Area.  
LO/2/SD  
25 Jan 45.  
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Territorial H.Q. BARI.  
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Ref your 184/Ord dated 23 Jan 45.

1. Reinforcements are at present being assigned to Guard Bns from the percentage of the Sicily Call-up allotted to ITI-ITI Category. Priority as reinforcements is decided between the Ministry of War and HQ MMIA.
2. It is regretted, therefore, that reinforcements for Guard Bns cannot be taken from TRANI Camp, which is a BRITISH Reinforcement Centre.

*J.G.B.*  
J.G. BIRD Major.  
Senior MMIA LO.  
c/o HQ. 54 Area.

1088

PM/gn

COMANDO 230<sup>a</sup> DIVISIONE  
- S.M.-Ufficio Ordinamento e Personale-

N. 686/ST. di prot.

Bari, li 23 gennaio 1945

O G G E T T O: richiesta complementi.-

ALLA S.M.R.E. -Uff. Ord. e Mob.-  
e, per conoscenza;

F.M. 3800

AL COMANDO TERRITORIALE  
- Uff. S.M.-Ordinamento-

B A R I

~~ALLA~~ M.M.I.A. - LO - Maggiore Bird  
.....

B A R I

Prego voler annullare il foglio 442/ST in data 16/1/45 pari  
oggetto, che sarà trasmesso tramite la M.M.I.A. come da disposizioni  
impartite con f. 11211/Mob. in data 12/1/45 di Codesto S.M.R.E.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
(Lorenzo Vivalda)



*L. Vivalda* *File*  
1088 7/1

PM/gm

COMANDO 230<sup>a</sup> DIVISIONE  
-S.M.-Ufficio Ordinamento e Personale-  
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Bari, li 23 gennaio 1945

N.685/ST. di prot.

O G G E T T O: richiesta complementi.-

ALLA M.M.I.A. -LO- Maggiore Bird

B A R I~~~~~  
Rif. f. C.M.F. LO/2/AQ del 16/12/44

A seguito foglio 442/ST in data 16/1 /45, invio in allegato un'altra copia relativa alla richiesta complementi con preghiera di voler trasmettere allo S.M.R.E. Uff. Ord. e Mob.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
(Lorenzo Vivalda)

1086



25/1/45  
OH serv  
15/1/45

Subject. Reinforcements.

Liaison Office. (46)  
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.  
(MMIA) c/o HQ 54 Area.  
LO/2/SD  
25 Jan 45.

H.Q. 230 Division.  
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Ref your 685/ST dated 23 Jan 45.

The request for reinforcements attached to the above letter has been forwarded to HQ MMIA. The copy for the SMRE should be transmotted direct through Italian channels, as this office has no direct communication with the SMRE.

*J.G.Bird*  
J.G.BIRD Major.  
Senior MMIA LO.  
c/o HQ 54 Area.

1085

at.



SEGRETO

Bari, li 23 Gennaio 1945

(45)

COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI BARI

~~COMANDO DEL I CORPO D'ARMATA~~

Uff. S.M. - Ordinamento -

Prot. N. 184/Ord. Allegati.....

Al Maggiore BIRD - Ufficiale Col

legamento Forze Sbarco A.C. (M.M.I.A)

presso 54<sup>a</sup> Area - B A R I -

Risposta al foglio del .....

N. ....

OGGETTO: Movimento personale.-

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Risulta che presso il 501° btg. sicurezza e guardie vi è una eccedenza di 22 sottufficiali rispetto all'organico del reparto.

Poichè - come noto - per ordine del Ministero Guerra questo Comando sta procedendo all'impianto di un centro addestramento per le reclute che a giorni saranno chiamate alle armi, si prega autorizzare che detti sottufficiali siano assegnati al citato centro addestramento.

In sostituzione dei 22 sottufficiali dovrebbero essere assegnati al 501° btg. sicurezza e guardie altrettanti militari idonei da trarsi dal Campo di Trani.

Si resta in attesa delle decisioni di codesto ufficio.

d'ordine

IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
(Giuseppe Piazza)

24/1/45 Desmond

CC. Has it been looked in ?

ARMY FORM 02186 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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Srl. No.

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Transmission Instructions

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM  
A:

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

17 1630 A

MMIA LO 84 Area

For Action

Territorial HQ BARI

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE STAMP

Message Instructions - GR -

Originator's No.

SD/34 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref your 1218/2 dated 16 Jan (.) This office has  
 NO authority to allot reinforcements from TRANI except on specific  
 priorities notified by HQ MMIA (.) Consequently have advised  
 Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission to make direct  
 contact with HQ MMIA through their own HQ in ROME

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Signed

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P.M. 3800 li, 12 gennaio 1945

O G G E T T O : Richiesta complementi.

AL COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI

BARI

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Riferimento foglio 1587/22 in data 31 dicembre u.s. del Comando  
230<sup>a</sup> Divisione.

Le disposizioni tuttora in vigore, recentemente confermate dalla M.M.I.A., stabiliscono che le richieste di complementi per gli enti alle dipendenze d'impiego per A.A., devono pervenire a questo S.M. tramite M.M.I.A.-

Pregasi pertanto interessare il Comando 230<sup>a</sup> Divisione di rivolgere la richiesta di complementi di cui al foglio a riferimento, all'ente alleato che provvederà a trasmetterla alla M.M.I.A.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
N/ro Alessandro Santi

*[Faint, illegible text at the bottom of the page]*

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COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI BARI  
Uff. S.M. - Ordinamento

SECRET

N. 159/ord. di prot.

Beri 11, 13 Gennaio 1945

AL COMANDO 230° DIVISIONE

B A R I

e, per conoscenza:

AL MAGGIORE BIRD - Ufficiale Collegamento Sottocommissione  
Forze Spazio A.C.(N.M.I.A.) presso 54^Area B A R I

E A R I 1082

..... DER NORMS.



d'online

GIUSEPPE PIETRO  
DONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
(Giuseppe Pietro)

2 1/2 gals of

lm.

PROGRAMMA A MANO URGENTE  
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DAL COMANDO TERRITORIALE  
 ALL'UFFICIO DEL GENERALE ADDETTO

B A R I  
B A R I

et per conoscenza:

→ AL MAGGIORE BIRD - Ufficiale Collegamento Settocommi-  
 sione Forze Sbarco A.C. (M.M.I.A.) 54<sup>a</sup> Area

B A R I

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Nr. 197/Ord punto Riferimento nota richiesta relativa impiego telefono  
 da parte Distrettili Sansevero punto Locale ufficio M.M.I.A.-LO habet  
 comunicato che richiesta stessa est stata accordato con seguenti moda-  
 lita(:) un ufficiale del distretto Sansevero che parli l'inglese a co-  
 minciare dal 22 corrente potrà presentarsi giornalmente dalle ore 8 al-  
 le ore 8,30 al telefono di quella localita per parlare con Bari punto  
 La chiamata puo essere fatta da Sansevero a Bari e non in senso inverso  
 punto Durata della concessione fino a tutto 22 febbraio p.v. punto Pre-  
 gati disporre in conseguenza punto

Bari li, 19 Gennaio 1945

d'ordine

IL COLONNELLO CARO di S.M.  
 (Giuseppe Piazza)

19/1/45. OK



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CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBJECT: Rfts. Request - 230 Div.

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LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
File: SD/59  
18 Jan 45.

To : Ministry of War.

Copy to HQ 230 Div.

MMIA LO 3Dist. *Extended**passed to MMIA**OKD**MMIA LO**See above*

Ref HQ 230 Div letter 587/22 of 31 Dec 44.

1. It is noted that the list of deficiencies quoted in the letter under reference includes those of 407 Regt.
2. Since this Regt has been completely transferred to USAAF no reinforcements can be supplied from Army sources.

24/1 *Noted*

Copy to: SD/50

Lab

*[Signature]*Major General,  
M. M. I. A.*A-cl*

1080

Subject:- 7 Traffic Control Bn .

(28)

Liaison Officer  
Land Forces Sub Comm.  
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).  
C/o 54 Area. CMF.  
LO/2/SD  
8 Jan 45.  
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Territorial HQ, BARI

Ref your 16/ORD dated 3 Jan 45.

The question of the retention of the 5 personnel of 7 Traffic Control Bn, has been referred again to HQ MMIA, and it has been agreed that they may continue to be employed by you, till there present task is completed.

JGB/jmr

*JGB*  
J.G. Bird Major.  
Senior MMIA LO.  
C/o HQ 54 Area.

1079

CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT: Move of Suletter Reinforcements.LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.  
(M.N.I.A.)SD/3/1  
6 JAN 45To : Ministry of War.Copy to: INIA LG 52 Area,  
NTC ICF,  
INIA LG 54 Area,  
54 RIU15 Army Gp,  
One District,  
INIA LG One District,  
Italian Hq Decet ORVETO.

1. Reference your 9638/ORD of 28 Dec it is confirmed that movement by rail during the period 2-15 Jan has been requested for the following personnel who are to be sent to ORVETO as suletter reinforcements.

| <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>UNIT</u>           | <u>PRESSENT LOCATION</u>       |
|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 200           | 235 Infantry Regiment | LOCOROTONDO                    |
| 580           | 336 Infantry Regiment | CASALE (S. GIORGIO del SANNIO) |
| 550           | 120 Autonomous Bn     | S. GIORGIO del SANNIO          |
| 260           | SANTOVA Group         | S. GIORGIO del SANNIO          |
| 250           | Reinforcement Centre  | S. GIORGIO del SANNIO          |
| 1,780         | Total                 | CESANO                         |

2. Please arrange for these men to be concentrated as shown, and ready to move during the period stated. Orders for the move will be issued by AFHQ through the local Allied HQ.

3. To complete the 2,000 required from Combat Group Services a further 220 men will be selected from personnel now assembling at RIV ICF CESANO. This group of 220 suletter reinforcements will be ready to move to ORVETO by 25 Jan.

*[Signature]*  
Major General  
M.N.I.A.

INTERNAL:  
S/C/29/18  
SD/50

9/1/45 OK  
T. HQ informed

Subject:- Reinforcements ex TRANI

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MIA)  
SD/9  
4 Jan 45

In Increment ONE (3 copies)  
copy MIA LO 54 Area -  
Sign Office BARLETTA for O'DONNELL

In reply to your TN.A.1/100/5 of 3 Jan 45 it is  
agreed that the 150 rfts available at TRANI should go to 13 Italian  
Rly Bn.

Please arrange movement, as suggested in your letter.

*Received*

gsh

*RG Gofles*

*19* Maj Gen  
Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MIA)

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Int:- G(SD)  
MOV

*8/1 PB/ OK*

SEGRETO

COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI BARI

~~Comando Militare della Puglia e Basilicata~~

UFFICIO S.M.-Ordinamento

Prot. N. 16/Ord. di prot.

Bari, 11, 3 Gennaio 1945

Risposta al foglio del

N.

Allegati N.

OGGETTO : Ufficio stralcio VII battaglione movieri.

→ A/ MAGGIORE BIRD - Ufficiale Collegamento Sottocommissione Forze Sbarco A.C.(M.M.I.A.) presso 54<sup>a</sup> Area.  
(rif.f.n. 10/2/SD del 28.12.1944)

B A R I

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO

- Sezione Ordinamento -

(rif.f.n. 9598/Ord. data 28.12.1944)

P.M. 3800

L'ufficio stralcio del VII btg. movieri verrà sciolto ed il personale avviato ad Ottaviano. *il 15 c/m/.*  
Con l'occasione si ritiene doveroso far presente che, a causa dell'esiguo numero di personale impiegato (5 sottuff. e truppa), delle cattive condizioni climatiche che non hanno permesso una applicazione continua ed infine per la mole del lavoro, non sarà possibile portare a termine nel tempo previsto i lavori della segnaletica stradale, che pertanto sono stati sospesi.

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d'ordine

IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
(Giuseppe Piazza)

Rome asked

BF

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C. P. 10/11/45

Subject. Reinforcements to Italian Unit.

(23)  
Liaison Office.  
Land Forces Sub Comm.  
A.C.(MIA) 54 Area.  
IO/2/SD  
Jan 45.

12 Advanced Base Workshop. ROME.

Ref your 12/ABW/R50/68 dated 30 Dec 44.

1. Your request for reinforcements was forwarded same day to HQ. MIA.

2. There seems, however some doubt as to the designation of 953 Wkep as this Coy was previously dissolved and formed into a Wkep sec for Combat Groups.

3. May this point please be clarified.

*J.G. Bird*  
J.G. BIRD Major.  
Senior MIA IO.  
c/o HQ 54 Area.

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CONFIDENTIALSubject. Personnel NO. fit for Military Service.

(22)

Liaison Office.  
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.  
(MIA) c/o 54 Area.  
LO/2/SD  
2 Jan 45.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C. (MIA).

1. Numerous complaints were coming into this office from H.Q. 230 Div. and from Pioneer Units on:-  
a) The quality of rfts received from TRANI Camp.  
b) The number of personnel in BRITI Units who were unfit for any service.
2. We, therefore, had a conference of interested parties on 23 Dec 44. The following were present:-  
Brig. Gen. VIVALDA (230 Div.)  
Lt. Col. BIANCHI (Deputy C of S. Apulia and Lucania)  
Col. SALVONI (Italian O.C. TRANI Camp)  
Maj. Corner (British O.C. 66 Pnr Gp)  
Maj. Bird (MIA LO)

3. Two points of interest arose:-  
a) TRANI Camp was being used by Mil H.Q. Puglia and Lucania for all the purposes previously fulfilled by 47 Inf Depot LEC.E. Hence the number of low category men, forming part of the rfts from TRANI Camp.  
Local action taken. Mil H.Q. Puglia and Lucania definitely ordered to stop this practice, and the O.C. TRANI Camp told to return any further such men to their original location.  
b) Unfit men in BRITI Units and Gd Bns are shown at Appx 'A' att. (coins 1d, and 1e). There is a wide spread practice for Comds Hospitals to return men to their units bearing certificates exempting them from all duty for periods upwards of 60 days. At Appx 'B' att. is shown the position in 403 Pnr Regt, and is forwarded as an example.  
Local action taken. Mil H.Q. Puglia and Lucania, and 230 Div told to send such men to Hospitals at once, and not to accept men back who are unfit.

May further action please be taken by HQ MIA with the Ministry of War to prevent this practice, as it appears to have more than local significance.

*Brd*  
J.G. BIRD Major,  
Senior MIA LO.  
c/o HQ 54 Area.

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/SUBJECT: Improper employment of Italian Military personnel

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
File No. SD/15  
29 Dec 44

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Your latest strength return shows Italian personnel attached to British Units as under:-

| <u>Unit</u>                 | <u>Location</u> | <u>Oftrs</u> | <u>CRs</u> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| Attached from Mil HQ P & I  | BARI            | 3            | 43         |
| Attached from 225 Inf Depot | MONOPOLI        | 1            | 14         |
| Attached from 226 Inf Depot | MOLFETTA        | 1            | 31         |

2. Please inform this HQ soonest of the specific British Units which are employing the above personnel.

3. It is noted that your last strength return does not include the following:-

| <u>Unit</u>                              | <u>Location</u> | <u>Oftrs</u> | <u>CRs</u> |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| <u>Misc pers in service of Br Units:</u> |                 |              |            |
| Attached from Garrison Unit              | BARI            | 13           | 31         |
| Attached from Garrison Unit              | BRINDISI        | --           | 60         |
| Attached from Garrison Unit              | LECCE           | 5            | 72         |

which were shown on your previous strength returns. What has happened to this personnel? If they are still working for British Units, please let us know the specific designations of the British Units.

R.E.P.  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: C/11/1

*\* g/h noted. File  
L0/2/50*

MAED V MEDY NR 040677/8/9 /90 QVR 3/4/7/8

FROM DISTHREE 41750A

TO 52 AREA : MOV TARANTO :

INFO 54 AREA / <sup>230</sup> ITALIAN DIV / AFHQ G3 ORG TRG )

~~MMIA~~ MMIA :

MMIA LO BARI : MOVEIT : ALCOM

QQX GR — BT :

SD 951 RESTRICTED (.) REF AFHQ FX 78286 OF 3 JAN NOT

TO ALL AND CONVERSATION SPRAY - DANIELL THIS DATE (.)

FIRST (.) COY 2 BN 336 PICENO REGT WILL BE RELIEVED SOONEST

FROM GD DTIES ON DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP (.)

SECOND (.) COY WILL MOVE SOONEST AFTER RELIEF FROM TARANTO

TO BARI TO JOIN ~~PICENXXXX~~ PICENO DIV RFTS (.) THIRD (.) FOR

~~MMIA~~ MMIA LO BARI (.) REQUEST YOU ARRANGE SOON ON

ARRIVAL (.) FOURTH (.) PERSONNEL ARE

REQUIRED FOR IMMEDIATE USE FOR PACK TPT

BT 041750A

REPTN 677/8/9/90 3/4/7/8

41750A 52 54 230

G3 951 78286 3

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2 336 PICENO

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OK  
h/19m  
JAN 1.  
8/12 g/s  
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Subject: Reinforcements Italian Unit  
Under Command.

Ref: 12 ABW/R50/68

To: M.M. 1 A.L.O.  
3 District.

30. Dec. 44.

Confirming conversation of this morning LIEUT. COL. EAGERS - MAJOR EIRD, it is agreed that you will make every effort to provide the 85 reinforcements required to bring 953 Italian Workshop Company at present under Command up to strength.

This matter was discussed and agreed between O.C. 953 Italian W/Shop Coy., and GENERAL VIVALDI Commanding at Bari.

May I please be informed in due course as to progress.

C.M.F.

*Answered*  
Lieut. Col.  
Commanding, 12 Advanced Base Workshop, R.E.M.E.

Copy to: General Vivaldi,  
Commanding, 230 Division,  
Corso Sicilia, Bari.

D.M.E. AFHQ.

MAED V MEDY NR 030137/8 IMPORTANT QVR4/5  
FROM MMIA 021710A  
TO INFO : DISTHREE = DISTHREE FOR MMIA LO  
52 AREA FOR MMIA LO = 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO =  
SIGS OFFICE BARLETTA FOR O'CONNEL  
QQY GR 100 BT

SD2038 CONFIDENTIAL (.) REF MMIA SD 2032 OF 31 DEC (.)  
ONE (.) PARAS ONE TWO END THREE ARE CANCELLED (.)  
SCREENING OF SPECIALISTS WILL NOT RPT NOT BE CARRIED  
OUT AT REGGIO (.) THIS WILL BE DONE UNDER ARRANGEMENTS  
NATIONALITY CONCERNED AT DESTINATION (.)  
TWO (.) PLEASE MOVE PERSONNEL FROM REGGIO AS REQUESTED IN PARA  
FOUR IS 5 JAN TO CESANO FOR 1 C F 100 (.) PERIOD 6 JAN TO 14 JAN  
FIRST 000 TO CESANO FOR 1 C F SECOND 1500 TO ASTRONI  
FOR US-ITI (.) PERIOD 15 JAN TO 22 JAN (.) FIRST 1100 TO AFRAGOLA  
FOR BR-ITI (.) THIRD <sup>300</sup> ~~000~~ TO BARI FOR ITI-ITI (.)

ALL INFORMED

BT

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(17)

MILA

27/600 A

FIFTH ARMY HQ INCR

PRIORITY for MILA 10 - 54 AREA for MILA 10  
THIS OFFICE EARLY FOR O'DONNELL

SD 2006

CONFIDENTIAL

For MILA 10 (.) Ref your MILA 2/A of 23 (.)

Every effort being made ensure the Rfts sufficiently

fit (.) Provision subject to priority demands

for ~~the~~ Pack Sgt Coy personnel

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SD/50 (2)

Routine

K. H. J.

521/30 2528/30

# MESSAGE FORM

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

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Transmission Instructions

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Office Date Stamp

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FROM

(A)

Originator

MLTA.

Date-Time of Origin.

291730.

For Action.

MINISTRY OF WAR

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

ATHQ IS ALREADY GROUP 3 DIST RPTD MLTA LO.  
MLTA LO RUC...ICT. MLTA LO 54 AREA MLTA LO 52  
AREA FORTSOUTH FOR MLTA LO.

Message Instructions.

GR

Originator's No.

SD5019..SECRET.

FIRST...NO 1 COMPANY GROUP 3 OF COY NOW FORMING 3. AREA AREA IS AT

AT YOUR DISPOSAL AS SOON AS IMMEDIATE INFORM TO BATTAL HQ

CATERIA THAT ALL EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED AND FORMATION IS  
COMPLETE.

SECOND...YOU WILL USE THIS COY AND ISSUE ALL NECESSARY ORDERS TO  
4088

MOVE REMAINERS OF REITS PERSONNEL AND STORES TRUCK TO ORSANO

AND REPAIRS TO NO GROUP FROM TUGELA TO ORSANO.

THIRD...FOLLOWING FROM PICKING WILL BE MOVED BY RAIL UNDER SPECIAL  
ARRANGEMENTS.

FOUR...AS SOON AS LATER ADVISED BY SECOND GROUP IS COMING

COY WILL BE CONCENTRATED ORSANO IN READINESS TO MOVE WHEN CALLED  
FORWARD BY 15 ARMY GROUP. ADVISE MLTA PROBABLE DATE.

FIFTH...FOR ADVIS. YOUR 29/12/55 DATE SUBJECT OF 15TH REPAIRS. SEND ALL  
MESSAGE FOLLOWS REPAIRS HAVE MOVE OF 10/12/55.

Message Instructions. GR

APR 15 15 45Z CHOU 3 5131 RPTD MILIA LO.  
MILIA LO HIC..TCZ. MILIA LO 54 AREA MILIA LO 52  
AREA PERSON. AC. 5131 LO.

Originator's No.

SD0019..SECRET.

FIRST...NO 1 COMBAT GROUP OF 6000 NOW FOR 104 5. SATURDAY IS AN  
AT YOUR DISPOSAL AS SOON AS THE MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO MILITARY HQ.  
CAMPANIA THAT ALL EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED AND MODIFICATION IS  
COMPLETED.  
SECOND...YOU WILL USE THIS COY AND ISSUE ALL NECESSARY ORDERS TO  
MOVE REMAINDER OF RPTD PERSONNEL AND STORES HEAD TO CHSANO  
AND REASON PICOSS SHOT FROM MILIA TO CHSANO.

THIRD...MILITARY'S FROM PICOSS WILL BE MOVED BY RAIL UNDER SEPARATE  
ARRANGEMENTS.

FOUR...AS SOON AS THE MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO CHSANO IS COMPLETED  
COY WILL BE CONCENTRATED CHSANO IN READINESS TO MOVE WHEN CALLED  
FORWARD BY 15 ARMY GROUP. ADVISE MILIA PROBABLE DATE.  
FIFTH...FOR ARMY. YOUR PX/4235 CLIN FIRST OF OUR MEMBERS. SEPARATE  
MESSAGE FOLLOWS REFERENCE RAIL MOVE OF MEMBERS.

20/04  
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| Signed.                                                                   |                                                                                                    | Signed.                                           |              |      |            |

Subject:- 7 Traffic Control Bn.

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Liaison Officer  
Land Forces Sub Comm.  
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).  
C/o 54 Area. CMF.  
LO/2/SD  
28 Dec 44

Comando Militare della PUGLIA e LUCANIA

Ref your 6282/ORD of 10 Dec and this office  
SD/7 of 20 Dec 44.

1. Instructions have now been received from HQ  
MMIA that ALL remaining personnel of the above Bn will  
be posted to the Depot and Training Establishment CMP  
by 15 Jan 45.

2. Please, therefore, take the necessary action  
to put this into effect.

JGB/jmr

*JGB*  
J.G. Bird Major.  
Senior MMIA LO. 67  
C/o HQ 54 Area.

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(13)

SUBJECT: Rpts for Italian TC Coys.LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.  
(U.S.I.A.)SD/32  
21 DEC 44

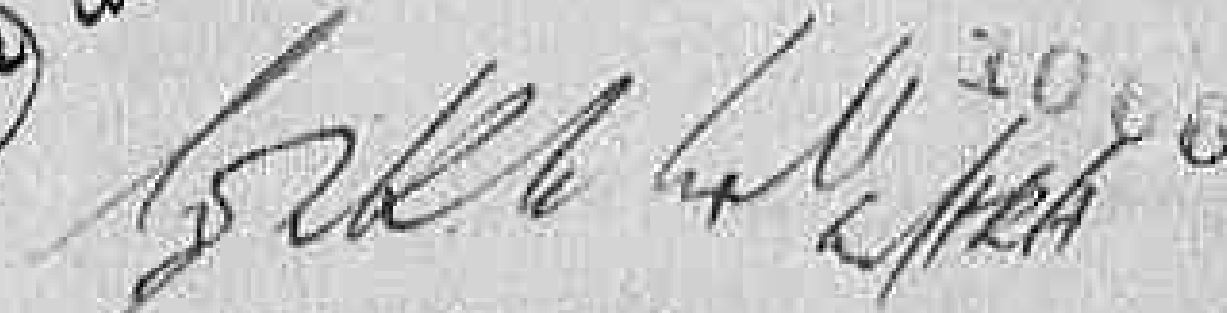
TO : MIA LO 3 DISTRICT.

Copy to: Depot and Trg Est GMP.  
MIA LO 54 AREA (Ref  
convergence. HIRD - STANTON)

(10)

Ref your 3 DLO/27 of 17 Dec 44.

1. It is understood that two officers and five ORs of 7 Battaglione Movimento Stradale now remain at BARI. They will be posted to the Dep and Trg Est GMP on 15 Jan 45.

see also  
(1a) (6a) and (12a)
  
Major General  
U.S.I.A.
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Comdr P+L 61d

ARMY FORM 02138 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

Register No. (2a)

Transmission Instructions

Call

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Priority

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM  
A.

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

MMIALO 54 AREA

For Action

COMLIT PUGLIA LUCANIA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

Originator's No.

SD/7 (.)

RESTRICTED (.) Ref your fono 6282/ORD (.) It is confirmed that this has been agreed by HQ MMIA (.) Please inform this office when these personnel are no longer ~~required~~ required for the purpose stated

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*Bud  
Rogers*

at.

TELESCRITTO

ODO DETRAMILES 609  
 DETRAMILES 615  
 DETRAMILES 608  
 M.M.I.A. LO 54<sup>a</sup> Area

PALERMO  
 REGGIO CALABRIA  
 B A R I  
 B A R I



MANO

Comilit Puglia et Lucania Nr.6443/Ord punto Presente est diretto  
 Detramiles 609 riferimento foglio n.10164/Mob dello Stamaggiore  
 Mobilitazione data 12 corrente (,) at detramiles 615 et per cono-  
 scenza detramiles 608 (,) at M.M.I.A LO 54<sup>a</sup> Area punto Pregasi di-  
 sporre che 300 militari rappresentativi alle armi in Sicilia messi  
 at disposizione questo Comando siano avviati come segue (:) n.60 at  
 502/0 battaglione guardie scalo arrivo Bitonto (:) n.40 at 503/0 bat-  
 taglione guardie scalo arrivo Bari (:) n.160 at 514/0 battaglione guar-  
 die scalo arrivo Barletta (:) n.40 at 4/A compagnia del 503/0 batta-  
 glione guardie scalo arrivo San Vito Chietino punto Comilit Puglia et  
 Lucania 180020



*[Handwritten signature]*

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23/12 JP

*Trans*

*File Reinforcements*

Subject : Rfts for Italian TC Coys.

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3DLO/27  
17 Dec 44

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

Copy : MMIALO, BARI.  
Depot & Trg Est., CMP.

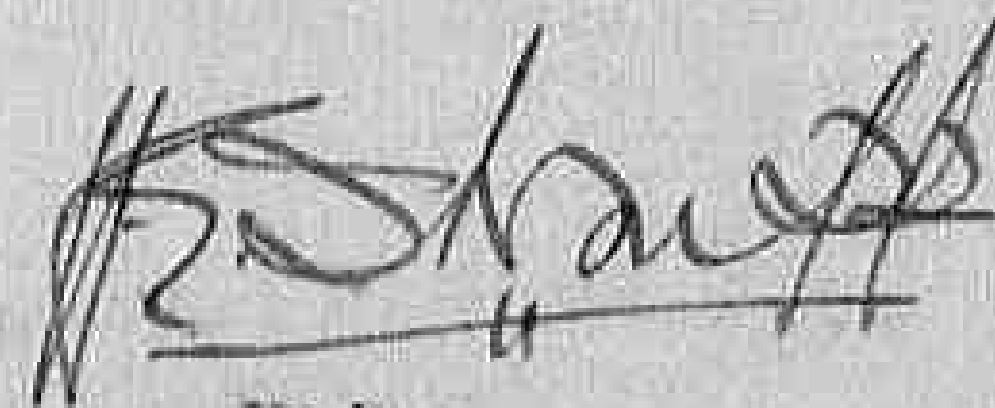
I am informed that the Depot & Trg Establishment, CMP have received a further 13 ORs from 7 Battaglione Movimento Stradale on 13 Dec 44. It is, however, understood that a further 11 personnel of the bn still remain in the BARI area.

Since this bn has been disbanded for use as TC rfts since Sep 44 (my EB 15 of 15 Sep and 3DLO/27 of (?)27 Oct and your SD 1445 of 17 Sep and SD 1678 of 27 Oct all refer) could War Ministry please be firmly instructed to post the outstanding personnel to Depot & Trg Establishment CMP who are in need of the rfts.

Please note, however, that neither the two Lt-cols nor the stores are required and can be disposed of otherwise.

18/12 JH

NA yer

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Major,  
MMIALO,  
3 District.

Subject:- Reinforcements.  
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(9)  
Liaison Officer  
Land Forces Sub Comm.  
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).  
C/o 54 Area. CMF.  
LO/2/54  
16 Dec 44  
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Mil. Hq. PUGLIA and LUCANIA.  
Hq 230 Division.  
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1. In order to co-ordinate requests for reinforcements for units under command Mil. Hq PUGLIA and LUCANIA and Hq 230 Div. the following procedure will be adopted:-
  - (a) Mil. Hq PUGLIA and LUCANIA for ITI-ITI units and Hq 230 Div. for BR-ITI Units will submit a bi-monthly return showing total re-inforcement requirements for each unit under command.
  - (b) This return will be submitted direct to the Ministry of War, with a copy to this office.
  - (c) The return will be submitted on the 15th and 30th of each month.
2. The first return will be due on 30 Dec 44.

*J.G. Bird*  
J.G. Bird. Major.  
Senior MMIA LO.  
C/o R.Q. 54 Area.

Copy to:- Hq MMIA  
Hq 54 Area.

17 DEC 1944

ALLIED COMMISSION  
ZONE POLICE OFFICE  
PALAZZO DEL GOVERNO  
BARI



BZ/PS/2/17/155

12/12/44

Subject: Strength of CC.RR.  
Legion Bari

To: Major Bird  
M.M.I.A. L.O.)  
3 District

Reference attached copy of  
CC.RR. Legion, Bari, report every  
assistance you may give in this con=  
nection will be much appreciated.-

G.M. Reveley Major  
Zone Police Officer  
AC - Bari

17/12 AB

Spoke. NA

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BA.

LEGIONE TERRITORIALE DEI CARABINIERI REALI DI BARI  
COMANDO

N.3969/31 di prot.

Bari 10 dicembre  
44

Oggetto: Forma della Legione

Al Sig. Maggiore Reveley - Allied Commission  
Zone Police Officer - Palazzo del Governo  
Bari

Sera 8 corrente è giunto da Martina Franca (Taranto), assegnato quale ausilio a questa legione, 1° Gruppo Bis 152 Reggimento Artiglieria "Piceno" composto di 9 ufficiali inferiori e 411 militari di truppa, al comando di un capitano. Il reparto è stato temporaneamente accasermato nei barracamenti Tappa locale.

La maggior parte dei militari ha le uniformi ed il corredo in pessime condizioni per cui fino a quando non sarà in regola con le uniformi non sarà possibile impiegare in servizio.

p. il E. Colonnello Comandante Jf.  
Francesco Tuccari  
il T. Colonnello V.C. Giovanni Schiavoni

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(6)

RESTRICTED.177/L GS.Subject:- Italian Guard Bn.

MEMA IO 54 Area.  
230 Italian Div.  
Comando Puglia.  
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1. Ref 3 District letter 762/G dated 12 Dec 44, copy to addressees, and conversation Major ~~Bard~~ - Major Saxon Mills.
2. Will you please take immediate steps to ensure that the 510 Italian (Train Guard) Bn is brought up to strength in officers and that the strength returns of the Bn are submitted to the appropriate Italian Administration HQ.

CMP  
15 Dec 44.  
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copy to:- 3 District.

*James H. RA*  
7th Major RA  
Brig.,  
Comd., 54 Area.  
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16/12

RA letter written  
NFA.

SUBJECT: Reinforcements.

British Cadre for 5  
508 Italian Smoke Coy.  
Ref: P/2/GIS.  
12 Dec. 44.

To: A.D./L., "E" Team Labour,  
52, Area, C.M.F.  
Copy to: M.M.I.A., L.O., 54 Area.

1. Reference my letter P/2/GIS dated 27 Nov 44 to MMIA, copy of which was sent you.

2. Yesterday I called on the MMIA, L.O., at Bari, Major Field-Major Murcell, until recently the L.O. was present who informed me that my request for reinforcements has gone through to Rome.

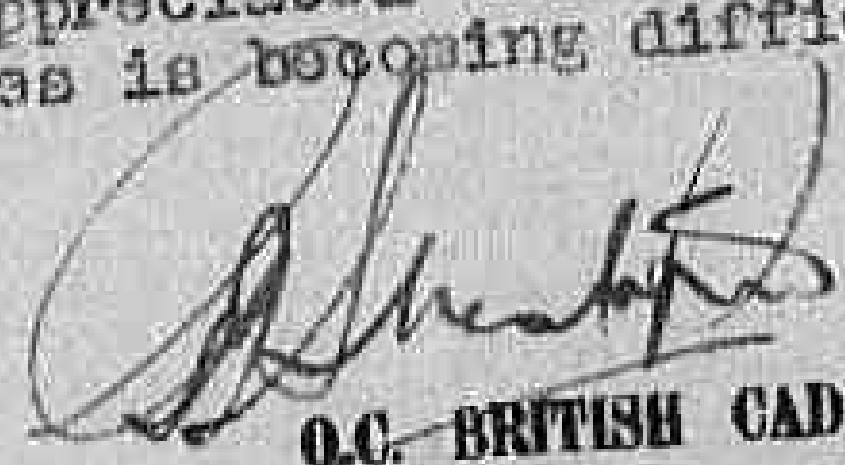
3. I also understand from them that a new scheme was being considered for the supply of reinforcements for BR-ITIS companies from a British Controlled Reinforcements depot and demands would be made through the normal formation channels. It was therefore suggested that I should make my application to you for reinforcements.

4. The following is the position relative to my Company at the moment. The figures concern Privates only.

|                     |     |      |      |
|---------------------|-----|------|------|
| War Establishment,  |     | 211. |      |
| Posted Strength,    | 14. |      |      |
| Hospital,           | 12. |      |      |
| Due for Agr. Leave, | 2.  | 23.  |      |
| Awaiting Tribunal,  |     | 183. |      |
| Effectives,         |     |      | 183. |
| DEFICIENCIES,       |     |      | 45.  |

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5. It will be readily appreciated that the situation regarding availabilities is becoming difficult.

  
CAPT.  
O.C. BRITISH CADRE for  
508 ITALIAN SMOKE COY.

16/12 JB OK

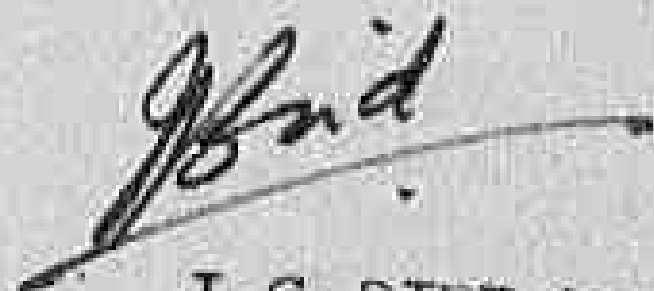
Subject. Reinforcement Muleteers.

Liaison Office. Lx  
Land Forces Sub Comm.  
A.C. (MMIA)  
c/o 54 Area. C.M.F.  
LO/7/1/AQ  
12 Dec 44

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA).

1. Forwarded herewith is a report by Mil H.Q. P & L on the muleteer reinforcements previously sent to Fifth Army.
2. Ref para 3 of the att. letter. Six days rations were given to each individual soldier with the result that they were consumed before the journey was completed.
3. It is suggested therefore that where large bodies of reinforcements are moving, an Italian quartermaster be sent with them to hold and issue rations on the journey.
4. If this is agreed, may the Ministry of War please instructed accordingly, so that they may inform their subordinate formations.

JGB/vtd

  
J.G. BIRD Major.  
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.  
54 Area.

21 DEC 1944

MAED V LAEE NR49 +P+P+

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FROM MMIA 111500A

TO MIN OF WAR (.) AFHQ FOR G3 ORG @ NOV (.) AAI FOR SD @ A 3056  
 INFO PENGOOTH FOR MMIA LO (.) 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO (.)  
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QQY GR 121 BT

SD 1903 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) REF MMIA LETTER SD/51/1 OF 9 DEC (.)  
 SUBJECT BR-ITI REINFORCEMENTS DEPOT ORVIETO (.) FIRST (.) FOR MIN of  
 WAR CONFIRMED THAT YOU SHOULD SCREEN PERSONNEL AT AFRAGOLA AND TRANI  
 FOR CAMP STAFF AND THAT 107 OFFICE PERSONNEL AT TRANI AT YOUR DISPOSAL  
 (.) 55 OF THESE MOVE TO 9 COMP SANITA BARI ON 13 DEC (.)  
 SECOND (.) THE INTAKE OF 500 DUE ABOUT 25 DEC ARE SCHEDULED TO  
 ARRIVE EX ABRUZZI CALL-UP VIA TRANI (.) THIRD (.) THE INTAKE OF 1500  
 DUE ABOUT 31 DEC ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE VIA AFRAGOLA EX SICILY  
 CALL-UP (.) AN AMENDMENT TO MMIA LETTER SD/49 PARA 4 AND 5 ALLOTMENT  
 AND MOVE OF RECRUITS FROM SICILY CALL-UP FOLLOWS

BT

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F O N O G R A M M A A M A N O

DAL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA-ORDINAMENTO BARI  
 MAGGIORE MURCELL -Ufficiale collegamento Sottocommissione  
 forze sbarco A.C.(M.M.I.A.) presso 54<sup>a</sup> A-rea BARI

LO/7/SD

Nr. 6262/Ord punto Seguito comunicazione verbale punto Confermasi  
 che ordine scioglimento 7° battaglione movieri est già stato impar  
 titto punto Est in corso attuazione lavori relativi al studio per  
 riorganizzazione di tutta la segnaletica stradale per quale est  
 già stata concessa somma occorrente punto Si rappresenta neccesita  
 che detta sistemazione già in atto venga completata tenendo in vita  
 soltanto ufficio stralcio predetto Battaglione costituito da due  
 ufficiali et cinque sottufficiali e truppa punto Pregasi far conoscere  
 decisione punto

Bari li, 10 Dicembre 1944

IL TEN. COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO

Trans  
d'ordineAL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
 T/ro Giuseppe: Piazza

ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 64

Call

Srl. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

OFFICE DATE STAMP

FROM  
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

RMIA LD 54 Area

For Action

TO

COMINT BULLE LUCANIA

(W) For information (INFO)

Message Instructions

OR

Originator's No.

SD/1 RESTRICTED (.) Ref your fonogram 25905/2 dated 10 Dec (.)

Please refer this question to Ministry of War as policy involved  
regarding allocation of reinforcements and change of employment

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT BY ANY MEANS (EXCEPT WIRELESS)

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN OTHER

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
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FONOGRAMMA URGENTE

DAL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA - ORDINAMENTO - BARI -  
AT M.M.I/A. - LO - 54^ AREA BARI

N°6040/ord. punto Riferimento telegramma a mano P.S.350 punto Attual  
mente 7° Battaglione Controllo Traffico habet in forza 5 ufficiali (di  
cui due restituiti da Scuola Ottaviano) et 25 sottufficiali et trup  
pa (di cui parte rientrati recentemente da licenza aut ospedali) punto  
Detto Comando provvede in atto at revisione segnaletica stradale ter  
ritorio dipendente et ricupero automezzi dispersi per eventi guerra  
punto

Bari 11, 23 Novembre 1944

d'ordine  
IL COLONNELLO CAPO di S.M.  
(Giuseppe Piazza)

*Giuseppe Piazza*

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MMIA LO DISTMO

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ANHQ

MMIA

PM/62 RESTRICTED (.) Ref MMIA SD 1458 10 1615 A (.) Location 7 IC on as follows (.) BARI offers 3 and CR 67 BRINDISI 1 and 35 LECCE 6 GIOVINAZZO 4 and 15 GROTTOGLIE 6 FRANGAVILLA FCNTANA 3 GIOIA DEL COLLE 7 (.) Total offers 8 and 142 of ~~these~~ these 50 were returned from OTTAVIANO malaria subjects and 10 not suitable (.) Total 8 offers 82 CRs

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PM/GE RESTRICTED (.) Ref MMIA SD 1458 19 1615 A (.) Location 7 IC BN 23  
 follows (.) BALI offre 3 and OR 67 BRINDISI 1 and 35 LECCE 6 GIOVINAZZO  
 4 and 18 GROTTOLE 6 FRANCAVILLA FONTANA 3 GIOIA DEL COLLE 7 (.) Total  
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20 SEP 1944

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MEAV VEDY NR 541

QVR1/2-4

FROM MMIA 191615A

TO AFHQ

INFO DSTWO DISTHREE MMIA LO DISTWO

MMI LO DISTHREE

GR55 BT

SD1458 RESTRICTED .

AUTHORITY AND RAIL TPT REQUESTED TO MOVE BALANCE OF 7 TRAFFIC CNTL

COY (MOVIMENT O STRADALE ) FROM BARI FROM UNDER COMD DISTWO

TO OTTAVIANO TO UNDER COMD DISTHREE .

PAREN ROME AREA COMMAND 7588 PAREN . STRENGTH 5 OFFERS 89 ORS .

PERSONNEL BEING REPLACED BY 2 ITALIAN TRAFFIC CONTROL COY .

FOR MMIA LO DISTWO . CONFIRM LOCATION DIRECT AFHQ ~~CONFIRM~~ COPY

THIS HQ

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PTNS 541 QVR2/4 19165 SD1458

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7 SEP 1948

SUBJECT : 7 TO IN (Italian Army)HQ 2 District, USF.  
260 Pro

4 Sep 48

Provost Marshal  
HQ AAI

Further to this office letter 260 Pro dated 31 Aug 48 and telephone conversation, Major Taylor - Major Sitters, of 28 August.

1. The attached detailed statement shows actual strength of personnel of this Battalion as at 31 August, and it is considered that there are sufficient civil police and Carabinieri now available for duty for the term when this Battalion has previously been working to enable the whole of this Battalion to be withdrawn and not replaced.

2. The balance of this 7 TO Battalion may therefore be called forward under your arrangements for training and re-equipping at the USF Depot.

RMB/LB

COPY TO : C-1 9 (M)  
CIB  
MIA 10 ✓

*Am. Stan.*  
Lt. Col.  
Deputy Provost Marshal.

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106. *[initials]*

7 TRAFFIC CONTROL BATTALION (ITALIAN ARMY)Position of the Battalion as on 31 Aug 44.

|                            | WOs and Sgts. | Cpls. and ORs. | Total. |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| Total strength.            | 17            | 164            | 181    |
| In HQ in<br>Giovinezze     | 6             | 12             | 18     |
| Employed                   | -             | 20             | 20     |
| On Leave                   | -             | 21             | 21     |
| In Hospital                | -             | 6              | 6      |
| Awaiting<br>Demobilisation | -             | 7              | 7      |
| Sick                       | -             | 3              | 3      |
| Available<br>for duty      | 11            | 95             | 106    |
| Total strength.            | 17            | 164            | 181    |

Disposition of the Pointmen at the Traffic Posts

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Bari                | - 40 |
| Erinzi              | - 34 |
| Lecco               | - 6  |
| Cicla del Colle     | - 6  |
| Francavilla Fontana | - 3  |
| Grottaglie          | - 6  |
| Total               | - 95 |

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