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Traffic Accidents - Italian

Dec. 1945 - Dec. 1946

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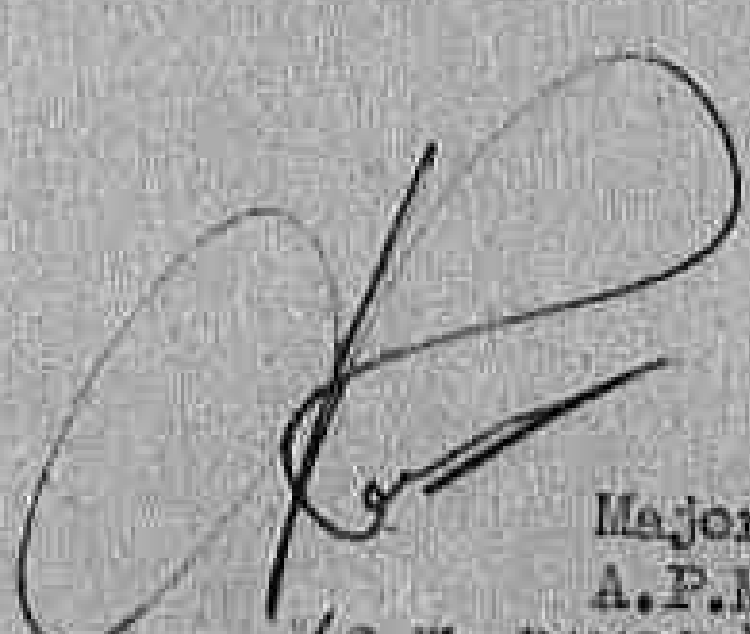
Subject :- Traffic Accident - NAPLES
9 Dec 1946

HQ Caserta Enclave
Freedom Ext : 438
Pro : 11
19 Dec : 1946

O.C. 10 B. L.U.
A.G.R.S. Motor Pool, - NAPLES U.S.A.
D.A.D. 18 Claims & Hirings

1. The attached copy of C.M.P. Report is forwarded for information.

GER/KC


Major.
A.P.M.
(C.W. RANSOM).

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9 AUG

23 DEC 1946

NAIPLES DET. 227 PROVOST COMPANY
U.S. POLICE

Ref. No. 227/PRO/5/76
Date: - 13th DEC. 1946

To:-

Capt. R.O. LONG, R.A.
227 PROVOST COMPANY.

Sir,

I have to report that at NAPLES on the 9th DEC. 46 about 1945 hrs, I was on duty in DIVISION DI CHIATA, NAPLES, accompanied by I/Cpl HANCOCK, G.M. POLICE, when I was informed of an accident which had occurred in VIA VITTORIA.

I proceeded to the scene of the accident and on my arrival I found that the vehicles concerned were:-

W.D. FORD 5 TON No. 883511 driven by GIUSEPPE FRANCESCO, VILLA ARRE, VIA MARCONI NAPLES, on charge to No. 10 P.L.U. NAPLES, and a

U.S. ARMY 4 x 4, 5 COT No. 2059266 driven by ANTONIO ARNOLD, VIA OTTAVIANO No. 24 PORTOFINO, NAPLES, on charge to A.C.R.S. MOTOR POOL, NAPLES.

The W.D. FORD had been moved back about 3 yds from the point of impact, and the U.S. ARMY 4 x 4 had been knocked sideways across the middle of the road. The road at this point is a 1st CLASS PAVED ROAD in good condition. The condition of the road at the time of the accident was wet, and the visibility was poor.

Damage to the vehicles concerned:-

W.D. FORD: - REAR-LEFT FRONT WHEEL AND FRONT ENGINE COVER DAMAGED.

U.S. ARMY 4x4: OUTSIDE REAR SPRING DAMAGED.

The U.S. ARMY 4 x 4 was allowed to proceed on its journey under its own power, and the W.D. FORD was brought back to NAPLES DET. 227 PROVOST CO. G.M. POLICE to obtain statements from the driver and his companion.

Statements and sketch map attached to this report.

- NAPLES,
13th DEC. 46

1488997-7 A. Jones, I/Cpl (ABO/64) 3054
Naples Det. 227 Prov. Coy.

STATEMENT of:-

ORRINO OTTE FRANCESCO di Gino, age 22 years
VIA MARCONI (Vila Mela), Reggio - NAPLES

- I am a soldier attached to No. 10 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT situated at POSILLIPO at the above mentioned address, and I am employed as driver for about 4 months.
- This evening I was driving the truck No. 883911 and I was proceeding from PIAZZA BRISSE E BERTHO towards POSILLIPO, when at about 1930 hrs of the 9th December 1946 whilst crossing PIAZZA VITTORIA under a shower, slowing down as the visibility was not clear, suddenly I saw a JEEP on front of me parked in the middle of the road. I have not seen any lights and as the road was wet I have not made in time to avoid the hit. I immediately stopped and got down from the vehicle and I noticed that the Jeep was slightly damaged and my truck had the front wing and head-lamps smashed. I was then conveyed to the British Military Police where I made this statement.
- I have read over the above statement, it is true and correct.
- Naples, 9th Dec. 1946

Sgd) Orzibetti Francesco

STATEMENT of:-

ALBERTO TERESA fu Giovanni, age 34 years
Corso Vittorio Emanuele 112 - NAPLES

- On the 9th December 1946 we left the Opera House situated in PIAZZA BRISSE E BERTHO and were proceeding towards POSILLIPO when, at about 1930 hrs whilst crossing PIAZZA VITTORIA under a shower, I heard a shock and I understood that we hit against another vehicle which was parked in the middle of the road and we could not see its rear-lamps owing the visibility was not clear. I stood on the vehicle and later I was conveyed to the British Military Police where I made this statement.
- I have read over the above statement, it is correct and true.
- Naples, 9th December 1946.

Sgd) Ernesto Alotto

Translated by Ben. Porina (interpreter)

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STATEMENT OF: ARMANDO di Saverio 25 years
VIA OTTAVIANO 94, PORTICELLI - NAPOLI

At about 19.00 hrs. on the 9th December 1946 I came back from SAN PAS-
QUALE where I have accompanied s/Sgt. INGEGNERI, T/Sgt LEXHAM. I crossed the PIAZZA
dell VITTORIA, when I noticed the the left wheel had a puncture. I stopped and left the
head and backlights on and tried to pump the wheel. Whilst doing this an American jeep
came along and the driver, who was a policeman asked me, what happened. I explained him
why I was there and asked him, if he could lend me a jack. He could not give me one and
he asked me the number of our Motor Pool to phone them up and to inform them, what happen-
ed to me. I tried again to change the wheel with an English key and I was on my knees near
to the wheel, when I suddenly noticed a truck on a high speed without lights and with
4 persons in the driver's cab coming along and in the next moment he pushed against my jeep.
The 4 persons in the driver's cab, were an English soldier, two Italian soldiers and
a woman. The British truck hit my jeep on the left back side.

Whilst I examined the damages on my jeep, the drove the British truck
back and tried to drive away. I shouted to them that the American Police would be back
in the next moment, because they went away to ring my Unit up. But they still insisted
to leave the spot and the British soldier said, that the Italian soldier (who was driving
the British truck) would be put for three month in prison. I explained him, if they go
away I would lose my job certainly. With this I convinced them and they remained. The
British soldier went to the Pensione Maurizio to ring somebody up.

Whilst the British soldier was away an American Navy Police jeep arrived.
I approached them and explained to one of them who understood a little Italian what had
happened to me and asked him to ring the Motor Pool up to inform them about my incident.
At this moment the British soldier came back, but he could not get through on the phone,
and so I went with him to the Pensione Maurizio again, because he tried to go away.

I got the communication to the Motor Pool alright and explained them
what had happened and they promised me to be in 10 minutes on the spot and to help me.

When we came back to the spot where the incident happened, we found
the British Military Police there, who was investigating the incident. They asked me
my particulars.

At this moment another jeep arrived driven by the Italian driver,
named PORZIO, who was called by the American Police and he assisted me to change the
wheel.

Few minutes later another jeep arrived from the Motor Pool driven
by Pvt. JOHN E. DAGG, an N.C.O. and two American soldiers. The British Military Police
ordered the British truck to drive away and DAGG ordered me to jump in my jeep and to
drive it to the Motor Pool.

The damages on my jeep are the following:

Corrosing of the meshes of the left spring, overloading the spring.
Automobile body smashed in the lower part.

I have read over the above statement it is correct and true.

NAPLES 10th December 1946

SGD) ARMANDO di Saverio

I hereby certify that the above is to the best of my belief and
ability a correct and true translation from the Italian original.

Dr. H. Harth

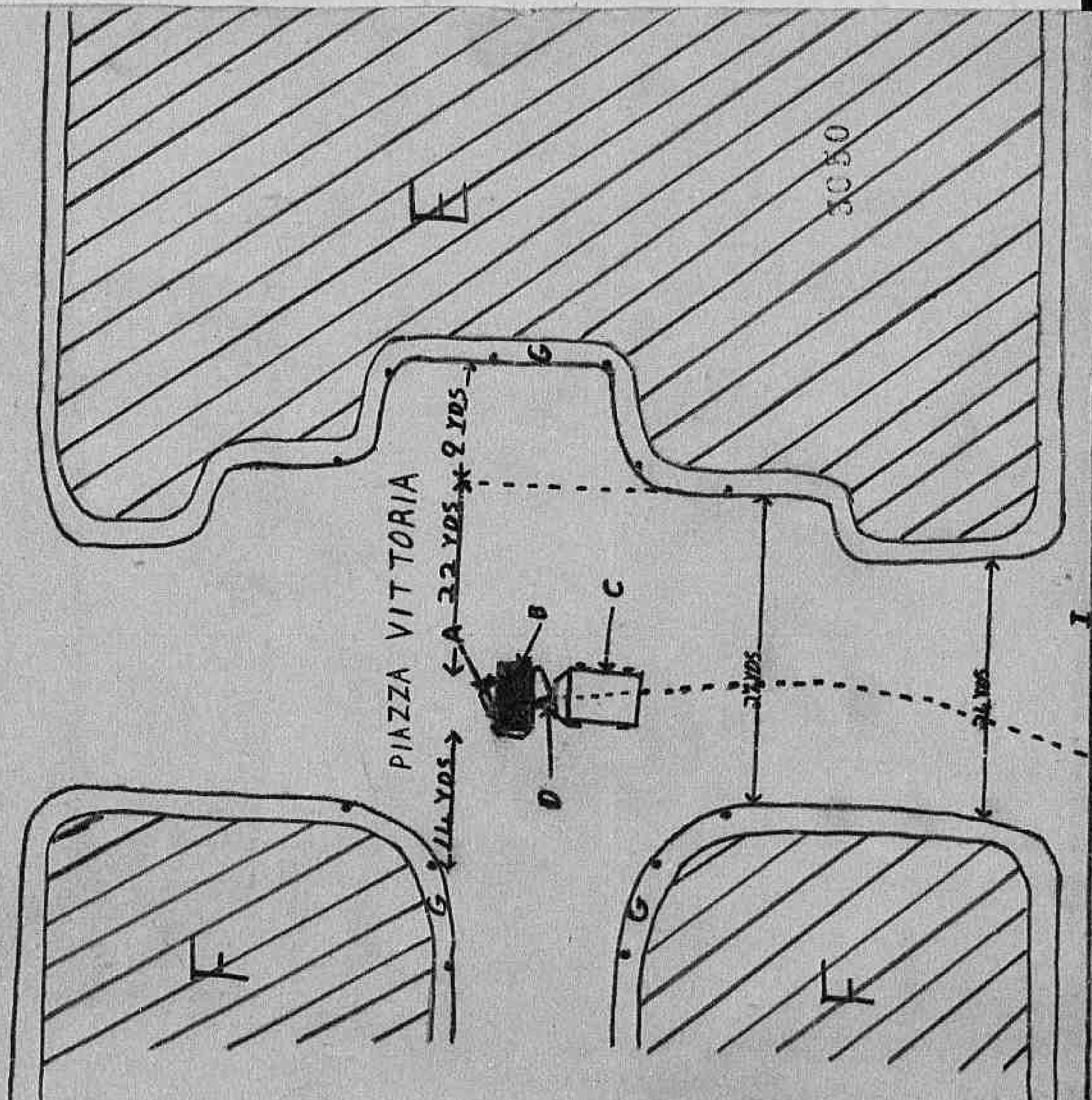
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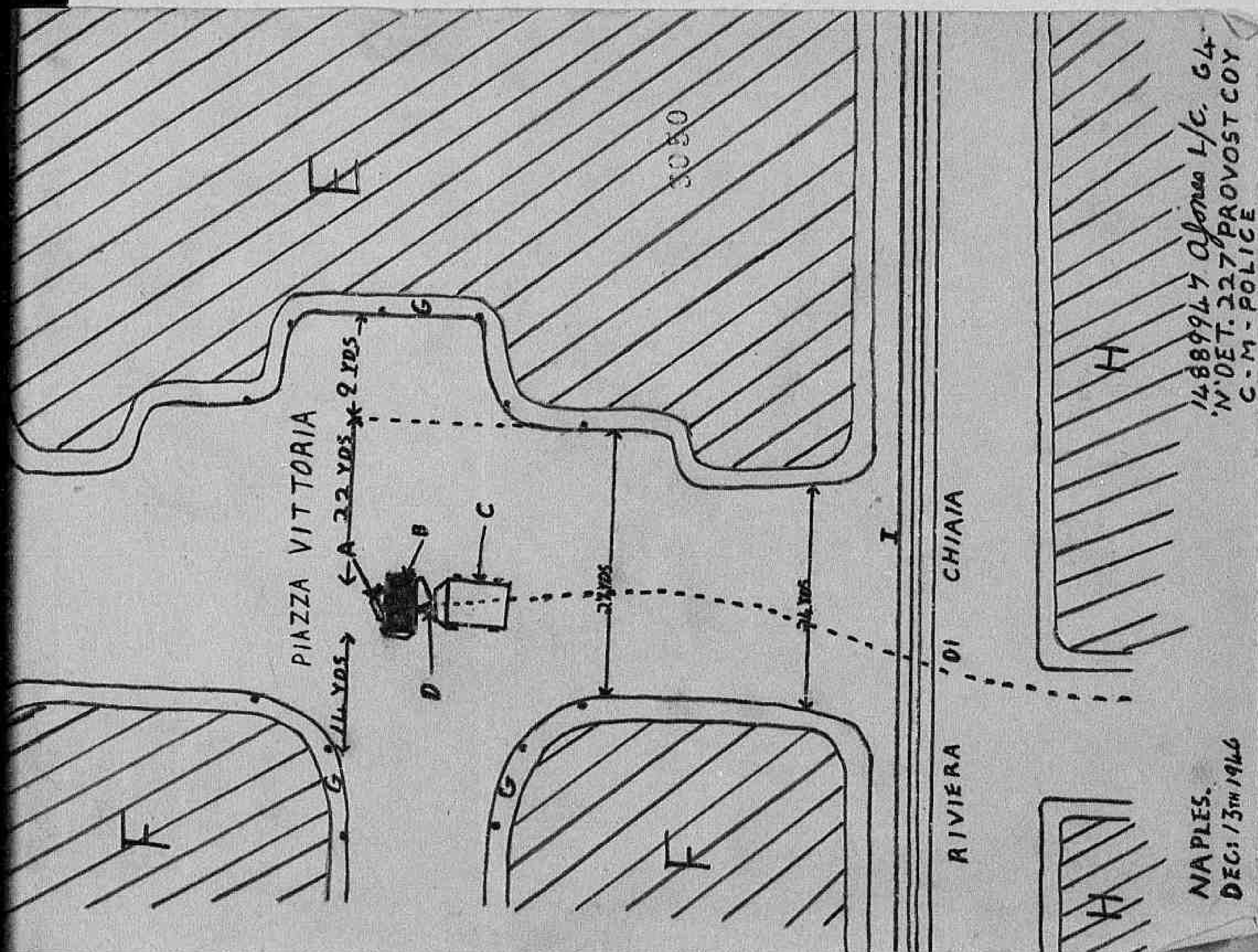
- A. POSITION OF U.S. 4x4 BEFORE ACCIDENT.
- B. POSITION OF U.S. 4x4 AFTER ACCIDENT.
- C. POSITION OF W.D. FORD.
- D. POINT OF IMPACT.
- E. PARK.
- F. TREES.
- G. LAMP POSTS
- H. BUILDINGS.
- I. TRAM LINES.

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SKETCH MAP OF ACCIDENT NOT DRAWN TO SCALE.
LEGEND ATTACHED.

VIA GARAGGIOLO





SUBJECT :- Court of Enquiry
Re MELIS BAPTISTA

Land Forces Sub-Commission AD.,
(SMIA) ROME

9 JUL

10 British Liaison Unit
FORNE DEL CROCO
Tele : 57302 NAPLES
9 AG

31 Oct 46

DR MELIS BAPTISTA

Reference your A 204 dated 21 Aug 46.

1. Territorial HQ were at first unable to trace the previous correspondence in this matter.
2. A copy of all correspondence was therefore obtained from NAPLES Area and submitted to Territorial HQ. After digesting this they were unable to trace any further correspondence or to obtain any further information of how the case now stands.
3. In view of this completely negative result copies of the previous correspondence (in duplicate) are forwarded for information. As the last trace of MELIS appears to be in BARI one copy is forwarded to 9 JUL.
4. 758 CT Coy has been disbanded and it seems possible that MELIS may have been released from the Army.

CMF
WFC/ea

Copy to :- 'A' Branch NAPLES Area
(Your 124/1500 dated 24 Oct 46 refers)

WCT
Lt Col,
MS.
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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject :- Court of Inquiry -
Traffic Accident -
22 Aug 45.

HQ Naples Area
Auto :- 16136
A 24/1508

24 Oct 46

10 British Liaison Unit

1. Reference this H.Q. A24/1508 dated
19 Sep 46.
2. May this H.Q. please be informed how
the matter now stands.

W. H. H. H. H. H.
Lt-Col,
AA & QMG.

cc.

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Ref 57A-56A-63A

ANK
26 OCT 1946

FILEGIASUBJECT :- Traffic Accident10 British Liaison Unit
TOYEN DEL. CHICO
Tele : 25002 HAYES
9 AG28 Sept 46AIR ITALY

APR HAYES Area

Attached Traffic Accident report AF 45676 and driver's statement are forwarded for your information and such action as you consider necessary.

CHP
WEST/1.3hpc
Lt col,
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Army Form A3876
(Revised August, 1942)
To be carried in an
addressed envelope
by every driver.
A.C.I.1312/1940

Cross out those words in ITALICS
which do not apply.

WAR DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT

THIS SIDE TO BE COMPLETED AT SCENE OF ACCIDENT. IF SPACE IS INSUFFICIENT, WRITE ON BACK.

A. ACCIDENT		Date	Time	Place	Surname of Service Driver	No. of Service Vehicle
		26 Sep 46	08:55	VIA POSILLIPO County NAPLES	PRETE	3776757
B. OTHER VEHICLE		Lorry Motor-Car Motor-Cycle Bicycle Horse-Drawn	Make	Year	Registration No.	Name and address of Insurance Co.
		3 Ton			RAF 108303	
C. DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name	Driving Licence	Date	Address and Occupation	
		RUSSO CARMINE son of EMILIO			AIR FORCE DRIVER	
D. OWNER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name	Address and Occupation			
		RAF				
E. INJURED PERSONS		Name	Age (approx.)	Address and Occupation	Telephone	Injury
1. State whether civilian or in Armed Forces. If the latter, give Service, number and Unit.						Slight Serious Fatal
2.						Slight Serious Fatal
3.						Slight Serious Fatal
F. WITNESSES		Name	Address	Telephone	Age (approx.)	Occupation
1. Name, address etc., of every person present must be obtained.		ERNESTA ALETTO	PARCO ELENA POSILLIPO		34	Typist
2.						
3.						
G. APPARENT DAMAGE TO OTHER VEHICLE		Can be seen at				
		NIL				
H. INJURY TO ANIMALS		HORSE	COW	How many	Condition	Injuries
					LED STRAY-ING	
I. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY		Nature of Property	Exact location	Damage		
J. POLICEMAN		Name	Police Station	He did NOT see accident	A statement was NOT made to him	ROAD PATROL
K. LIGHTS		No.	Service Vehicle	Other Vehicle	NOT LIT	WARNING
L. SPEED OF VEHICLE		Service	Other	TRAFFIC LIGHTS	STRAIGHT ROAD	VIABILITY
		nil	?	30	NOT GIVEN BY ME	CLEAR ROAD

C. DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE	Name RUSSO CARMINE son of EMILIO	Driving Licence Date No. 22894	Address and Occupation AIR FORCE DRIVER		Telephone
D. OWNER OF OTHER VEHICLE	Name RAF		Address and Occupation		Telephone
E. INJURED PERSONS	Name	Age (approx.)	Address and Occupation	Telephone	Hospital (if known)
State whether civilian or in Armed Forces. If the latter, give Service, number and Unit.					
1.					
2.					
3.					
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2.					
3.					
G. APPARENT DAMAGE TO OTHER VEHICLE	Can be seen at NIL				
H. INJURY TO ANIMALS	(Note any previous defects)				
	How many	LED	Condition	Injuries	Telephone
1.					
2.					
3.					
I. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	Name & Address of OWNER or OCCUPYER				
	IT was not will not have to be KILLED				
	Property is NOT requisitioned				
J. POLICEMAN	Name	Police Station	He did NOT see accident	A statement was NOT made to him	Name
					ROAD PATROL
K. LIGHTS	DAYLIGHT	Service Vehicle	Other Vehicle	NOT LIT	NOT GIVEN BY ME
	NIGHT	NOT LIT	NOT LIT	NOT LIT	NOT GIVEN BY OTHER
L. SPEED OF VEHICLE	Service	Other	TRAFFIC LIGHTS	TRAFFIC SIGNS	Visibility
	nil	?	GOOD FAIR	GOOD FAIR	CLEAR
	m.p.h.	m.p.h.			
M. I GAVE THE ACCIDENT SLIP BELOW TO Mr.	Address				

MAKE SKETCH ON BACK WHILE ON SCENE OF ACCIDENT

Instructions to Driver

(a) You must not admit liability by word or deed, or even discuss the question of blame, nor must the Service personnel with you.

(b) Should a Police Officer appear on the scene, await his permission before continuing your journey. If he requires the location of your Unit or a statement from you or any Service personnel, this may be given to him, but only to him and out of the hearing of any other person. If your unit has a closed address you should, when giving the Police Officer its location, inform him that it must not be disclosed by him.

(c) Report the accident immediately on your return. If you have been unable to give the Accident Slip below to the other person involved or to a Police Officer, you must inform your Commanding Officer of this so that he may report the accident to the Police within 24 hours in accordance with Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930. If you are not returning to your Unit within 24 hours, report the accident to the nearest Police Officer or Station.

This Accident Slip must be given to the other person involved or to the Police Officer, if one appears on the scene.

SERVICE	Name	Rank	Number	Unit	Vehicle No.	Code
DRIVER						
ACCIDENT	Date	Time	Place	This slip is handed you for your convenience and is not to be taken as an admission of liability.		
(Please Turn Over)						

Use this space for SKETCH and particulars which there is no room on Page 1.
Put in all the measurements, skid-marks and details possible.

This Report must be
accompanied by the
signed statements of
the Driver and any
Service Witnesses.

ROAD REPAIRS

Posillipo

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[D]

[A] [B] [C]

→ NAPLES

'A' = Vehicle which ran into stationery PU 'B' waiting behind stationery parked car 'C' in order to allow oncoming vehicle 'D' to pass. Vehicle B did not stop suddenly.

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WE-45008/085 2/43 51-6292

TO BE COMPLETED ON RETURN TO UNIT.

N.	Name in full (all Christian Names) VINCENZO PRETE		Number 3714	Unit NAPLES REGION CC	Driving Experience Years 10 Mths 6	Date of entry into Service 1935	Age 40	Rate of Pay per day
O.	Rank Brigadier General	Occupation CC	Type of Bodywork PU	Make Hillman	H.P. 10	RIGHT HAND DRIVE	Present Location of Vehicle HQ 10 BLU RESINA	
P.	No. of Service Vehicle M4776757		Load capacity 4	If a motor-cycle, were all those on it wearing crash helmets? A.F.G.3518		Journey From Posillipo To RESINA		
Q.	Name of Driver Major WEG TAYLOR		Serial No. 77	Date 26 Sep 1946	Nature of Duty collection of personnel		UN-LOA-DED	Map reference of scene of accident 1846

I declare that the above particulars and my signed statement are true in every respect. I hereby authorize the War Department if they so desire to instruct the Treasury Solicitor* to act on my behalf if any proceedings which may be instituted against me arising out of the above traffic accident. Further, I authorize the War Department and the Treasury Solicitor* to take such action as may be considered proper and generally to do what may be considered necessary in my interests by the Treasury Solicitor* in his capacity as my Solicitor and legal adviser. This retainer includes my authority to admit liability if deemed advisable at a later date, after the facts have been fully investigated by the Treasury Solicitor*.

*Or the War Department Law Agent in Scotland or the Chief Crown Solicitor for Northern Ireland, as the case may be.

Date **26 Sep 1946** Driver's Signature **Vite Vincenzo Prete**

Q.	Name HQ 10 BLU	Address RESINA - NAPLES	Telephone 55802	Unit's file reference 9 AG	Command MMIA
R.	Hired through (RASC Unit)	Contractor's Name & Address Posillipo	Name & Address of Insurance Co. (if applicable)	Insurance Cert. No. or	Rate of Hire per day
S.	DAMAGE TO SERVICE or HIRED VEHICLE and/or LOAD CARRIED Tailboard Swashed one of central seats damaged.		Will probably be repaired by 562 Coy RASC (Sta Tpt)		No. of Vehicles on charge to Unit 11
T.	ON DUTY	Name of Officer who gave authority for issue of A.F.G.3518 Capt RINDI. Camp Cond 10 BLU		Number of previous accidents in which Driver has been concerned with to blame Nil	
T.2.	Police Report	Statements of Injured Persons	Statements of A.D. Witnesses to arrange	COURT OF INQUIRY	Place
		Of Injured	Of Witnesses		

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Date **26 Sep 1946** Driver's Signature **Vite Vincenzo Prete**

Q. UNIT	Name HQ 10 B LU	Address RESINA - NAPLES	Telephone 55802	Unit's file reference SAG	Command MMIA
R. HIRED VEHICLE	Hired through (RASC Unit)	Contractor's Name & Address See A.C.I.	Name & Address of Insurance Co. (if applicable)	Insurance Cert. No. or Policy No.	Rate of Hire per day

Tailboard smashed
one of central seats damaged.

Will probably be repaired by :-

562 Coy RASC (Sta Tpt)

No. of Vehicles on charge to Unit
11

T. DAMAGE TO SERVICE or HIRED VEHICLE and/or LOAD CARRIED	(In greatest detail) Tailboard smashed one of central seats damaged.		Name of Officer who gave authority for issue of A.F.G.3518 Capt RINDI. Camp Comd 10 B LU		Number of previous accidents in which Driver has been concerned while to blame NIL
T.1. I certify that the Service Vehicle was being driven	ON DUTY	INQUEST DEPOSITIONS	COURT OF INQUIRY	Place	Of Witnesses E.1 E.2 E.3 F.1 F.2 F.3
T.2. It is essential that A.D. Claims furnish me with	Police Report	Statements of Injured Persons E.1 E.2 E.3	Statements of A.D. Claims Witnesses to arrange attendance	INVESTIGATION	

W. IT IS ~~NOT~~ INTENDED TO HOLD

Opinion of Officer commanding Unit as to responsibility.

(Only to be completed on copy sent to Higher Authority.)

Signature of Officer
Vite Vincenzo Prete

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Date **26 Sept 1946**

All copies should be signed and dated.

V. First Copy sent to A.D.

Claims... Comd.

on **194**

Y. Second Copy sent to next Higher Authority, namely :

on **194**

Signature of Brigade or other Commander.

Signature of Divisional Commander.

Signature of Corps Commander.

Any correspondence concerning this accident should give all the particulars set out on the other side of this slip and be addressed to :—
THE SECRETARY, CLAIMS COMMISSION, WING HOUSE, PICCADILLY, LONDON, W.1. (In Northern Ireland: 2, Malone Park, Belfast.)

Should any person have been injured, full particulars should be given together with the address at which the person could be examined if necessary. Should a vehicle have been damaged, the following information should be given :—(i) the name and address of the Insurance Company ; (ii) the number of the Policy ; (iii) whether this is comprehensive, third party only or Road Traffic liability only ; (iv) the amount of the excess (if any).

X. Punishment awarded

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Subject:- Court of Inquiry -
Traffic Accident - 22 Aug 45

CONFIDENTIAL

ILDO is showing correspondence
 to Tenit: HQ to see if any further
 info before we reply to 56A.

HQ Naples Area
 Auto: 16136
 A 24/1508
19 Sep 46

10 British Liaison Unit

WT
 23/9

1. Reference your 9 AG dated 28 Aug 46.
2. Herewith two copies of Case Summary and
 copies of all correspondence in the matter.

57A

Third copy of
 all correspondence
 wanted

Handwritten signature
 Lt Col,
 AA & QMG.

SIR L/B.

Third
 copy now
 attached

Encls: Case Summary (in duplicate)
 Correspondence (in duplicate)

REC 56A - 62A 9A 6045

25/9/46
 WMY/LC

20 SEP 1946

FILE.57ASUBJECT: Court of Inquiry - Re BATTISTA10 British Liaison Unit
TORRE DEL GRECO
Telo : 55802 NAPLES
9 AG28 Aug 46HQ NAPLES Area

Reference the attached MMIA letter A201 dated 21 Aug 46 particularly with regard to para 5.

1. This HQ has been asked to make further inquiries of Territorial HQ NAPLES to determine what action has been taken.
2. Territorial HQ is, however, unable to trace any reference to this Court of Inquiry.
3. Can you please state to whom your inquiries were addressed and give the letter references and dates.

REF. 58A-2AWPGTMajor,
GS.

WPGT/why

3044

Subject: Court of Enquiry - Re BATTISTA

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

A 201

21st Aug. '46.

To: 10 D.L.U. NAPLES

1. Ref copy of letter from AFHQ of 17 Aug 46 and copy of our letter of 21 Aug 46 to Ministry of War.
2. It is requested that you inquire of your territorial commander in a few days as to what action if any has been taken and advise us in order that we may reply to AFHQ.

ILO Please take this up and try to discover what is the present position with regard to BATTISTA and whether it is intended or possible to take any action.

W.T.

R.C. Van Kirk
R.C. VAN KIRK, Major,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A. 3043

Incls. 2

RCV/as

Ref 57A-58A

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24 AUG 1946

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

56 B

G-5 : 250.52

17 August 1946

SUBJECT : Court of Enquiry - Re BATTISTA

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

1. On 22 Aug 45 a traffic accident occurred on the Eboli - Battipaglia Road. As a result of this accident 3 British soldiers lost their lives.

2. A Court of Enquiry was held which found that an Italian driver, Melis BATTISTA of 758 Italian G.T. Coy in 227 Italian Division (both since disbanded) was directly responsible.

3. The Original Court of Enquiry proceedings together with a translation were forwarded to 227 Italian Division on 10 Oct 45 with a request that Melis Battista be tried by Court Martial.

4. As yet, despite numerous letters from HQ Naples Area to the Italian Military Authorities no action has been taken by them.

5. Will you please impress upon the Highest Italian Military Authorities the need for action without further delay. The date and place of the Court Martial should be notified to this HQ as soon as possible.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

DLK Maj N
A. L. HAMBLEY
Colonel GSC
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

3042

Subject : Court of Enquiry - Re BATTISTA

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.E.I.A.) ROME.

A 201

21st Aug. '46.

To : Ministry of War

AFHQ has advised this Headquarters that:

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5. The date and place of the Court Martial should be furnished to this Headquarters as soon as possible. It is requested that you ⁴¹ask the Territorial Commander concerned to comply with the requests that have been made by AFHQ.

REV
R.C. VAN KIRK, Major,
For Major General,
M.E.I.A.

RCV/as

SUBJECT :- Court of Inquiry
Traffic Incident

Land Forces Sub Commission AG,
(ITALIA) FORME (1A Branch)

Ref your A376 dated 13 Aug 46 and further to this HQ letter
9 AG dated 18 Aug 46. — 54A

1. Proceedings in triplicate of a court of inquiry held at 3 Transit Camp NAPLES, on behalf of 12 HLI, on 22 Aug 46 are forwarded herewith.
2. The Court of Inquiry was held at 5 Transit Camp in order to facilitate the attendance of Italian witnesses from AVENZA and the provision of members for the court.
3. This HQ was notified by the Carabinieri that two of the Italian witnesses were NOT available to attend, and W/S WILSON V of 335 BOD has since left this theatre.

CAF
WREN/tdv

10 British Liaison Unit
TORRE DEL GRECO
Tele : 55802 NAPLES
9 AG

24 Aug 46

WGT.
Major,
CS.

Copy to 1-12 HLI (1 copy of proceedings enclosed)

Land Forces Sub Commission AG,
(MILIA) ECME (1A Branch)

51A

Ref your A376 dated 13 Aug 46 and further to this HQ letter
9 AG dated 18 Aug 46. 54A

1. Proceedings in triplicate of a court of inquiry held at 3 Transit
Camp NAPLES, on behalf of 12 MILJ, on 22 Aug 46 are forwarded herewith.

2. The Court of Inquiry was held at 3 Transit Camp in order to
facilitate the attendance of Italian witnesses from AVANZA and the
provision of members for the court.

3. This HQ was notified by the Carabinieri that two of the Italian
witnesses were NOT available to attend, and 1/3 WILLSON V of 335 BDD has
since left this theatre. 3040

CAF
WPCW/vdy

WGT.
Major,
CS.

Copy to :- 12 MILJ (4 copy of proceedings enclosed)

3038

ALL OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN
OTHERWISE

WRT

WRT/ven

SUMMARY: Positive Loyalty

HR 1 Approved Division

Reference made to HQ/51 dated 9 Aug 46 and further to this HQ letter of even reference dated 10 Aug 46, the following points are forwarded for information:

1. Claims of this nature are not usually dealt with by this HQ through every assistance is given for their speedy completion in cases where there is no other unit in the area, able to take action.
2. It is suggested that all future claims involving Polish persons be forwarded direct to HQ who are a Polish Liaison Unit and who will be better able to take necessary action through POLSKA.
3. This HQ was redesignated to HQ in 1949 and no 56 HQ (British).
4. The claim attached to HQ/51/204 has been forwarded to HQ HANDED Area for disposal to the appropriate Polish Liaison Unit.

CAF
RTV/ev

Copy to: HQ HANDED Area (for action in para 4, please)

10 British Liaison Unit
HQ/51/204
Date: 10 AUG 46
9 HQ

21. Aug 46

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53A

SUBJECT :- Traffic Ident.

52A

HQ 1 ARMED DIVISION.

30/31/APR.

9 AUG 46.

TO :- HQ 152 HLA Bty, RA.
:- CO, 56 R.L.U.

The attached police report is forwarded herewith
for your information, please.

Forward as W/O 48 A

15/16/8

FIELD
JSM.

Mayhew Major,
Assistant Provost Marshal,
(Alan Charlton).

SEE 53A

3036

9 AG

16 AUG 1946

SUBJECT :- Courts of Inquiry.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
A 376

13 Aug 46.

To :- 10 ELU.

1. Reference attached correspondence, since the majority of witnesses in the case (see attached list) are in the NAPLES Area, it is requested that you will kindly convene a Court of Inquiry. Witnesses stationed in ROME Area will attend. Please inform date when Court of Inquiry is taking place, direct to 12 ELU copy this HQ. Proceedings when completed will be returned to this HQ.

2. The Court should record the following findings :-

- (a) Whether the driver of the W.D. vehicle was authorised to make the journey?
- (b) What were the contributory causes for the accident?
- (c) What is the cost of damage to Civilian and W.D. vehicle? Or has either vehicle been damaged beyond cost of replacement?
- (d) What injuries were sustained, if any, by personnel?

3. The Evidence will be taken on oath. The court will NOT express an opinion.

4. The attention of the court is drawn to KR 764 - 773.035

JHM/cam

Att. Gillmore L. Col
Major General

To M. M. I. A.

Copies to :- 56 Sub Area.
12 B.L.U.

976
16 AUG 1946

Appendix "A"LIST OF WITNESSES.

1. In ROME Area :-

614455 Pte. AIRS. T.J. 12 ELU.
Cpl. CINQUETTI. Carlo - driver of vehicle.

2. In NAPLES Area :-

1. T/5 WILSON.V. 335 Base Ord. Depot (American)
2. Sig. VISIONE. Antonio
3. Soldato MEMMOLO. Luigi
4. Sig. MARAFFA. Ferdinando
5. Signor. RAMPONI. Mario
6. Sig. ESPOSITO. Raffaele

JHM/cam

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APPENDIX "A"Names of injured persons

Injured persons	Name	Age approx	Address and Occupation	Telephone	Injury	Hospital
1)	VISONE Antonio	29	(barber) Via Nuova Poggio- reale 27, Naples	----	Slight	----
2)	MILICOLA Luigi	23	(soldier) 11th Company 18 Batt. Servizi Aversa	----	Slight	----
3)	ESPOSITO Raffaele	38	(Italian Soldier) Via Bagnara 27 Naples	----	Slight	----
4)	MARAFEA Ferdinando	35	(merchant) Via Cesare Battisti 8. Aversa	----	Slight	----
5)	RAMPONI Mario	21	(mechanic) Via Cesare Battisti 14. Aversa	77	Slight	----

APPENDIX "B"Statements by driver, witnesses and injured persons

- 1) Statement by Cpl. CINQUETTI CARLO of 152 Increment to 12 British Liaison Unit, Rome, driver of Chevrolet L5605553 on 24 July 1946.
- 2) Statement by VISCHI ANTONIO
- 3) Statement by ESPOSITO RAFFAELLE
- 4) Statement by Soldato MEMOLO LUIGI
- 5) Statement by MARRAPPA FERDINANDO
- 6) Statement by RAMPONI MARIO
- 7) Statement by 46050046 T/5 WILSON.V.
- 8) Statement by 614551 Pte AIRS.T.

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APPENDIX "B"Statements by driver, witnesses and injured persons

- 1) Statement by Cpl. CIRIACI CARLO, driver of 3 Ton.....on 24/7/46.

Proseguivo sulla mia destra nella strada NAPOLI - AVIGNA il giorno 24/7/46, alle ore 15,30, mentre un taxi veniva dal senso inverso.

Ad un certo momento detto veicolo veniva a trovarsi di fronte degli ostacoli e di conseguenza costretto a frenare bruscamente. L'effetto della brusca frenata faceva venire a sbattere la macchina contro alla mia, con la quale mi trovavo già fermo sul luogo.

Nel suddetto taxi si trovavano cinque persone, una delle quali fu seguita all'urto veniva ferita alla testa. Inoltre la mia macchina di proprietà dell'Esercito Alleato, veniva danneggiata.

Sgt/ Cpl. CIRIACI CARLO

14/ 26/7/46.

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APPENDIX "B"

Statements by driver, witnesses, injured persons

- 2) Dichiarazione di VISCONE ANTONIO, nato il 1916.13 Aprile.-Abitante in Via Nuova-22.Int. 4 Poggio Reale. Professione: Parrucchiere. Fratello del proprietario del Tassi Fiat Tipo 503, N.2211NA. N.Pref. 7421-HP.16.

Stavo tornando da Speranise il giorno 24 Luglio u.s., quando ad Aversa tre persone chiesero di essere condotte a Napoli col tassi sul quale viaggiavo.

Ripartimmo da Aversa con i tre passeggeri e a circa 3 Km. in direzione di Napoli avvenne lo scontro con la macchina inglese. Davanti alla nostra macchina si trovava un carretto che volevamo sorpassare. Dall'altro lato alla nostra sinistra si trovavano 4 o 5 carretti che procedevano in senso inverso, due dei quali camminavano uno di fianco all'altro. Mentre quasi avevamo sorpassato il carretto di fronte a noi, sopraggiunse la macchina inglese, dalla direzione di Napoli, che tentò di passare nello spazio già occupato da noi. Ci urtò la parte anteriore sinistra, mettendo la nostra macchina completamente fuori uso: asportazione completa del parafrangente ant. sinistro, fanale, radiatore spezzato, chassis contorto, balestra ed assale di sinistra contorti, deviazione del ponte di trasmissione, rottura dei vetri, carrozzeria della parte sinistra. In complesso la macchina è inservibile. Le sole gomme sono rimaste buone: quattro perché la quinta fu rubata sul posto dopo l'incidente.

Rimasi ferito al capo con commozione cerebrale e fui ricoverato all'Ospedale di Aversa, dal quale fui dimesso, con prognosi riservata (dietro mia richiesta) circa due giorni dopo.

Mi trovo a casa in letto, disposto a fornire qualunque altro chiarimento in merito al fatto.

In fede

Fto. VISCONE ANTONIO

Napoli 30.7.1946

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APPENDIX "B"Statements by driver, witnesses and injured persons3) Dichiarazione di ESPOSITO RAFFAELE

Esposito Raffaele di Rocco nato il 14/11/1908 - residente a Napoli. Vico

Bagnara 27 (Piazza Dante) - professione : autista.

Ferite : contusioni escoriate avambraccio destro e ginocchio sinistro.

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APPENDIX "B": Statements by driver, witnesses and injured persons

5) Dichiarazione di MARAFA FERDINANDO di Vincenzo nato il 7.1.1911 a S. Maria in Fossa. Abitante in Aversa -Via Cesare Battisti 8. Prof. commerciante. Ferite : contusioni escoriate al naso.

Stavo andando a Napoli a bordo del taxi, quando a circa 3 Km. da Aversa -verso Napoli- ci siamo trovati la macchina inglese a ridosso.

Essendo la strada in quel momento ingombra da tutti e due i lati da carretti, il taxi sul quale mi trovavo non ebbe modo di scostarsi su un lato. Avvenne così lo scontro : il taxi con la parte anteriore sinistra colpì contro la macchina inglese che procedeva in senso inverso.

In fede di quanto sopra
Sgt. MARAFA FERDINANDO

Aversa 29.7.1946

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APPENDIX "B"Statements by driver, witnesses and injured persons

6) Dichiarazione di RAMPONI MARIO fu Raffaele -nato il 12.4.1925. Abitante in Aversa -Via Cesare Battisti 14 . Prof: meccanico. Ferite : contusioni esposte multiple alla fronte, al naso, al dorso e alla mano destra.

Fto.
RAMPONI MARIO

APPENDIX "B"Statement by 6141551 Pte AIRS.T.

The 3 Tonneur was proceeding to Aversa on our side of the road, when we overtook a horse and cart. On the opposite side of the road was another horse and cart and the taxi behind it. I put out my hand to him to stop, but he took no notice and skidded into the middle of the opposite side of the 3 Tonneur.

Sgt.
AIRS V.

3026

SUBJECT :- Traffic Accidents40 British Liaison Unit
THAMES DEL. GRND
Tele : 33002 NAPLES
9 AG

16 Aug 45

Hq NAPLES Area

1. The attached traffic accident report, forwarded to this HQ in error, would appear to apply to 2 JULGSRF.
2. May it be forwarded to the appropriate British Liaison Unit please.

GTF
WPGT/cnWPGT
Major,
GTFCopy to :- Hq 1 Arm Divison (Your 30/20/AGG
dated 6 Aug refers).

SEE. 48A

3025

SUBJECT :- Traffic Accident.

HQ 1 ARMD DIVISION.

30/20/APM.

TO :- 56 B.L.U.

6 Aug 46.

The attached police report is forwarded herewith for information and onward transmission to unit concerned, please.

FIELD
JSW.

500-49A
Major,
Assistant Provost Marshal,
(Alan Charlton).

Copy to :- DAD 91 Claims & Hirings.

Letter to NAPLES Area

- ① The attached traffic accident report forwarded to the HQ in error would appear to refer to 2 POL CORPS.
- ② May it be forwarded to the appropriate Police Liaison Unit please.
- 9 AC*
W.T. 14/8 14 AUG 1946

FILE47ASUBJECT :- Traffic Accident10 British Madison Unit
TRANS DEL 6800
Tels : 53002 NAPLES
9 AG31 July 46AS Claims & Ratings
NAPLES Area46A

Reference HQ NAPLES Area Letter Pro 10 dated 30 July 46.

Herewith copy of this HQ letter 9 AG dated 19 July 46, forwarded
to you for information.41AGDF
RMH/eaW.T.Major
GL

Copy to:- HQ NAPLES Area (your Pro 10 dated 30 July 46 refers).

3023

46A

Subject : - Traffic Accidents.

HQ Naples Area
Tel : 20867
Pro 10
10 July 1946

Italian Liaison Officers. (2)

O.C. 10 B. L. U. (your 9 AG of 19.7.46 refers - Will you please forward
D.A.D. 48 Claims & Hirings copy of your letter to 48
Claims & Hirings -).

41A

42A

Reference Territorial HQ Naples letter 4/9818 Pres ALL/
0102 Prot of 5 July 1946.

1. Further details of the accident are required as it is
thought that the vehicle concerned has now been traced.

GAG

GWR/AV

Major.
A.P.M.
(G.W. RANSON).

SEE 47A

3022

31 JUL 1946

SEE FILE 50AG FOLIO 77A

45A

SUMMARY

SUBJECT :- Injury for traffic accident
SARMENTO ADRIANA daughter of
ANTONIO and GERASO AMALIA,
born in NAPLES the 23/12/30
living at Corso VITTORIO
EMANUELE 440.

R. QUESTURA
 NAPLES
 Commissariato di P. S. Avvocato
 5989

16 May 46

Military GARRISON HQ
 NAPLES

QUESTURA
 NAPLES

1. On the 3/5/46 the above mentioned girl SARMENTO ADRIANA was cured at PELLEGRINI Hospital for wounds at her face and left knee and it was judged that she would recover within 10 days.

2. The following is the result of the inquiries carried out by W.O. MAZZONE GABRIELE.

At about 0900 hrs on the 3/5/46 the girl, while crossing Corso VITTORIO EMANUELE, at Piazza MAZZINI corner, was hit by an American lorry driven by a Cpl Maj of the Army. An Artillery Col. was also on the lorry.

The driver did not stop and nobody took the vehicle number.

The father of the girl only explained that the vehicle was marked P.C.P. H 2.

The following is referred to you for information. 3021

GC/ea

(sgd) ETTORE PRIMAVERA.

Territorial HQ
 NAPLES
 4/10411/Pres.

5 July 46

10 ELJ
 TORRE DEL CREDO
 85 Claims and Hirings
 NAPLES

HQ 2 Group of Eng

Military GARRISON HQ
NAPLES

QUESTURA
NAPLES

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The following is referred to you for information. 3021

cc/ea

(Sgd) ETTORE PRIMAVERA.

10 BLU
TORRE DEL GRECO
85 Claims and Hirings
NAPLES
HQ 2 Group of Bns
AGNANO - NAPLES

Territorial HQ
NAPLES
4/10411/Pres.

5 July 46

Please inform us on what unit had on charge the lorry marked P.C.P. H2 at the time of the accident and give the name of the driver.

Please treat this matter as urgent.

cc/ea

(Sgd) RUSSO MARIO, Gen.

9 AG

TRANSLATION

42A

SUBJECT : Traffic Accident caused by
a Military Allied vehicle
against BRANDI Giuseppe
35 years old the son of Luigi
Address : Via Antonio Villari 28

Territorial HQ
NAPLES
4/9618 Pres ALL/0102 prot

5 July 46

10 HLU
TORRE DEL GRECO

Will you please send us a copy of the report made by Military Police concerning the traffic accident happened on the 29 December about 9 o' clock at the corner via Foria and via Duomo. This accident was caused by an English Military vehicle No 5311286 belonging to the Camp No 711

av

(sgd) RUSSO Mario General
Commander of the Military Presidio
NAPLES

see 41A - 46A

(Translator's note. Camp No 711 might conceivably refer to 711 LAC Telecom Workshops or unit of similar numerical title.)

END

FILE41ASUBJECT:- Traffic Accident.10 British Liaison Unit
TORRE DEL GRECO
Tel: 55802 NAPLES.
9 AG.19 July 46.10 Territorial HQ
NAPLES.85 Claims & Hirings
APM NAPLES.

42A

Ref your letter 4/9818 of 5 July 46.

1. The original and a translation of your letter have been forwarded to 85 Claims and Hirings, to whom civilians should be instructed to make direct application in cases of this nature.
2. It is regretted that it is impossible to trace "Camp No 711" without the full designation of the unit.

GMP
WPGT/agn.Ref 46A
47HWPGTMajor,
GS. 3019

FILE40ASUBJECT :- Traffic Accidents - Italian10 British Liaison Unit
TURIN DEL GRADO
Tele : 55802
9 AG10 July 46CC Claims & Hearings
NAPLES Area

1. Enclosed herewith is letter (and translated copy) L/9593/P dated 18 Jun 46 received by this HQ from Territorial HQ (ITI) NAPLES, forwarded for necessary action please.

2. Territorial HQ will again be reminded that claims of this description are to be sent direct to your office.

GMP
RWM/cwMajor,
CS.

Copy to :- 10 Territorial HQ NAPLES (Action in para 2 this letter and this office letter of even reference dated 18 June 46 will be complied with)

3018

See 41A
43A3917

FILE39ASUBJECT :- Traffic Accidents - Italian.10 British Liaison Unit
TORRE DEL GRECO
Tele 1 55802 NAPLES
9 AG

18 June 46

85 Claims & Hirings.

1. The enclosed documents :-

4/9136/P - 4/9137/P - 4/9138/P - 4/9139/P - 4/9140/P of
11 Jun 46 - 4/9134/P of 12 Jun 46 - 4/9221/P of 13 Jun 46 - 4/9314/P
of 14 Jun 46 received from 10 Italian Territorial HQ NAPLES, are
forwarded to you for necessary action please.

2. Territorial HQ will in future arrange for civilian claims
to be sent direct to your office.CMF
RVM/eaWCT.
Major,
GB.Copy to :- 10 Territorial HQ (For action in Para. 2)
NAPLES.SEE 40A
41A
43A

3017

FILE38ASUBJECT :- Traffic Accident.10 British Liaison Unit
TORRE DEL GRECO
Tele : 55802 NAPLES
9 AF14 June 46DAA & QMG
2 BLU
GENOVA3712

Reference your A 3/2 dated 8 June 46.

1. It is regretted that Lt Col GIBSON is on LTAP and may not be returning to this HQ.
2. AF A 3676 is therefore returned herewith.

CMF
VECE/eahpc
Major,
CS.

3016

37A

Subject:- Traffic Accident - 2 Nov 45 (Brit).

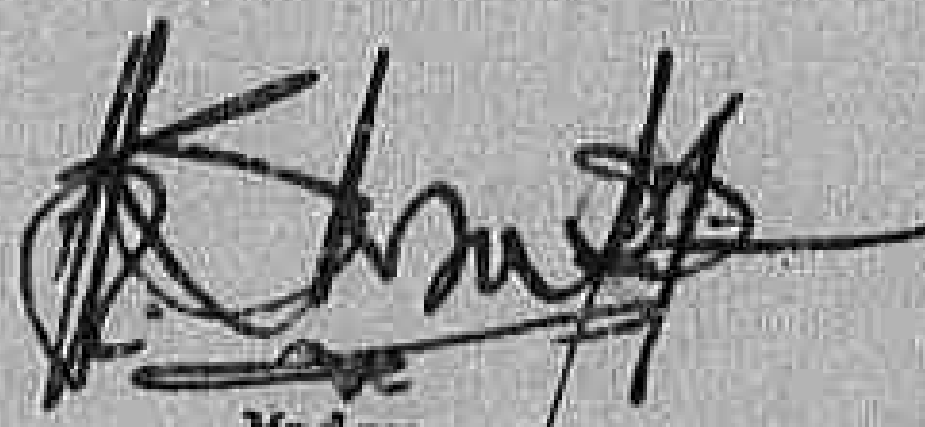
2 BLU
Tel: 52278
A 3/2
4 Jun 46.

OC 10 BLU

Ref the att AF A 3676 regarding an accident in which Major DUFFY was involved on 2 Nov 45.

Since at that date Major DUFFY belonged to 56 BLU it would be appreciated if Lt Col GIBBON, then OC 56 BLU, would sign the AF A 3676 in the space provided at "U" and return the Form to this HQ.

GENOVA


Major,
DAA&QMG.

HET/go

See 23A

38A

3015

g A G

Ref you

- ① It is regretted that Lt Col Gibbon is on LIAP and may not be returning to HQ.
- ② AF 13676 is therefore returned herewith.

14 JUN 1946

REFER 52 AG FOLIO 62A

Territorial HQ.,
NAPLES.

36A

4/607/Pres
17 May 46To Maj. IACCARINO

L.O. with Allied Authorities at NAPLES QUESTURA for
competence and to be forwarded to 10 BLU.

(Signed) MARIA RUSSO Gen

301 1/4 JUN 1946

STATE ADVOCACY2287/Cons. 5888
NAPLES 9 Apr 46

SUBJECT:- Traffic accident - Collision of Truck 3/4 Ton Dodge
USA driven by Pte CENTIONZE Oronzo and the American
lorry driven by Pte WHITE.

Territorial HQ NAPLES.

1. It results from the attachs acts, forwarded by your HQ, that the DODGE USA 2204085 of 10 MP Coy, driven by Dvr CETONE ORONZO, while proceeding at moderate speed on its correct side, along Via RIVIERA di CHIATA, was violently hit at the back part of the body, by the front bumper of the DODGE 3/4 ton USA 378307, driven by the Allied soldier WHITE of 345 Engineer Apo 782, proceeding in the same direction.
2. No blame is to be put on Pte CENTIONZE that could not foresee to avoid the hit of the vehicle that was following him.

3013

(Signed) MARIANO ROCCO
State Advocate.

9.26

35A

FILESUBJECT:- Traffic Accidents.10 British Liaison Unit
TORRE DEL GRECO
Tel: 55802 NAPLES.
9 AG4 June 4610 Territorial HQ.,
NAPLES.

31A

Re: your 255/51 of 21 May 46 :-

Your attention is invited to this HQ letter 9 AG of
29 May 1946, the purport of which also covers the present case.

33A

GRT
LTOP/agn.

J

Major,

077747pnd612

SEE - 28A
33A

FILE

33 A

SUBJECT:- Fatal Traffic Accident.

10 British Liaison Unit
TERRE DEL GIUGO,
Tel: 55302 NAPLES.
9 AG.

18 May 46

10 Territorial HQ.,
NAPLES.

Ref your 7/3115/SG dated 1 Apr 46.

1. If this matter is referred to this HQ for disciplinary action, it is regretted that on the data supplied it is not considered possible to trace the vehicle or driver and, therefore, no charge can be preferred.
2. If, on the other hand, it is a claim for damage against the Allied Forces, the matter should be submitted, by the claimant, to the Claims Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.

CAF
HJOH/aga.

SEE 35 A

Lt Col,
CS.

3011

FILE32ASUBJECT:- Traffic Accident (TPI)10 British Liaison Unit
TOMIE DEL GRECO
Tel: 55802 NAPLES.
9 AG32 May 4685 Claims & Hirings.

1. The attached AF A.3676 and statements in respect of a traffic accident which occurred in the OGRO UMBERTO I, NAPLES on 23 May 46, is forwarded for your information.

/agn.

Lt Col,
CS.

3010

Army Form A3676
(Revised September, 1943)

To be carried in an
addressed envelope
by every driver.

A.C.I. 1312/1940

Cross out those words in ITALICS
which do not apply.

WAR DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT

THIS SIDE TO BE COMPLETED AT SCENE OF ACCIDENT. IF SPACE IS INSUFFICIENT, WRITE ON BACK.

A. ACCIDENT		Date 23 May 1944	Time 09:50	Place Corso Umberto I County NAPLES (ITALY)	Surname of Service Driver Cpl. D'ANDREA	No. of Service Vehicle 5905624
B. OTHER VEHICLE		Make Lorry	H.P. /	Registration No. /	Name and address of Insurance Co. /	Insurance Certificate No. or Policy /
C. DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name /	Year /	Driving License Date /	Address and Occupation /	Telephone /
D. OWNER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name /	Address and Occupation /			Telephone /
E. INJURED PERSONS		Name /	Age (approx.) /	Address and Occupation /	Telephone /	Hospital (if known) /
F. WITNESSES		Name /	Age /	Address /	Telephone /	Occupation /
G. APPARENT DAMAGE TO OTHER VEHICLE		(In greatest detail possible)				
H. INJURY TO ANIMALS		How many /	LED /	Condition /	Injured /	Telephone /
I. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY		Nature of Property /	Exact Location /	Damage /	It was not killed /	NAME & ADDRESS of OWNER or OCCUPIER /
J. POLICEMAN		Name /	Police Station /	A statement was made to him /	Name /	Telephone /
K. LIGHTS		DAYLIGHT /	Service Vehicle /	Other Vehicle /	WARNING /	NOT GIVEN BY OTHER /
L. SPEED OF VEHICLE		Service /	Other /	BUILT UP AREA /	ROAD SURFACES /	GOOD /
		TRAFFIC LIGHTS /	STRAIGHT /	TRAFFIC SIGNS /	Visibility /	RAIN /

C. DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name		Year	Driving Licence Date	Address and Occupation		No.	Telephone
D. OWNER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name		Address and Occupation		Address and Occupation		Telephone	
E. INJURED PERSONS		Name		Age (approx.)	Address and Occupation		Injury		Telephone
		1. DANICO GENNARO 60 (civilian)			PALAZZINA ISOLATA 113		Slight		
		2. _____			_____		Slight		
		3. _____			_____		Slight		
F. WITNESSES		Name		Address	Telephone	Age	Occupation	Hospital (if known)	
		1. R. GAGLIATI		10 BLU	55802	25	ACIL INC 10A		
		2. P. ZANELLIN		10-BLU	55802	25	unit		
		3. _____							
G. APPARENT DAMAGE TO OTHER VEHICLE		(in greatest detail possible)							
H. INJURY TO ANIMALS		(Note any previous defects)							
		How many	LED	Condition	Injuries	NAME & ADDRESS of OWNER or OCCUPIER		Telephone	
		10	LED	STAYING		3009			
I. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY		Nature of Property		Exact Location	Damage	NAME & ADDRESS of OWNER or OCCUPIER		Telephone	
		SHEEP				3009			
J. POLICEMAN		Name		Police Station	He did NOT see accident	Statement made to him	NAME	Association	Telephone
		_____		_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
K. LIGHTS		DAYLIGHT		Service Vehicle	Other Vehicle	NOT LIT	NOT LIT	NOT GIVEN BY ME	NOT GIVEN BY OTHER
		_____		_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
L. SPEED OF VEHICLE		Service		Other	BUILT UP AREA	ROAD SURFACES	GOOD	STRAIGHT	TRAFFIC LIGHTS
		WIND		steering	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
		m.p.h.		m.p.h.	DENSE	WET	TRAFFIC SIGNS	RAIN	RAIN

MAKE SKETCH ON BACK WHILE ON SCENE OF ACCIDENT

Instructions to Driver:—

- (a) You must not admit liability by word or deed, or even discuss the question of blame, nor must the Service personnel with you.
- (b) Should a Police Officer appear on the scene, await his permission before continuing your journey. If he requires the location of your Unit or a statement from you or any Service personnel, this may be given to him, but only to him and out of the hearing of any other person. If your Unit has a closed address you should, when giving the Police Officer its location, inform him that it must not be disclosed by him.
- (c) Report the accident immediately on your return. If you have been unable to give the Accident Slip below to the other person involved or to a Police Officer, you must inform your Commanding Officer of this so that he may report the accident to the Police within 24 hours in accordance with Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930. If you are not returning to your Unit within 24 hours, report the accident to the nearest Police Officer or Station.

This Accident Slip must be given to the other person involved or to the Police Officer, if one appears on the scene.

Insert here Initials of Command

SERVICE	Name	Rank	Number	Unit	Vehicle No.	Code
DRIVER						
ACCIDENT	Date	Time	Place			

This slip is handed you for your convenience and is not to be taken as an admission of liability.

[Please Turn Over.]

Use this space for SKETCH and particulars for which there is no room on Page 1.

Put in all the measurements, skid-marks and details possible.

This Report must be accompanied by the signed statements of the Driver and any Service Witnesses.

FORM 1/331 2/45 24 HPRS PO 654

TO BE COMPLETED ON RETURN TO UNIT.

N.	Name in full (all Christian Names) PANDREA PIETRO		Number 1	Unit 10 BLV	Driving Experience Civilian 1 Years Service 3 Years	Age 22	Rate of Pay per day 42 Lira
O.	SERVICE DRIVER	Rank Cpl	Civilian Occupation Box P.U.	Type of Bodywork 8000	Make CHEVROLET	H.P. 10	Present Location of Vehicle 10 BLV TORRE DEL GRECO NAPLES
P.	SERVICE or HIRED VEHICLE	No. of Service Vehicle 5905624	If a motor-cycle, were all those on it wearing crash helmets? Army Form G3518 was signed by A.F. G3518				
Q.	JOURNEY	Driver's Name LE. CAGIATI	Serial No. 10 B.L.V.	Date 24 Apr 1946	From RESINA	To NAPLES	Nature of Duty Vice IC. Itm. NA. NAPLES

I declare that the above particulars and my signed statement are true in every respect. I hereby authorize the War Department if they so desire to instruct the Treasury Solicitor* to act on my behalf in any proceedings which may be instituted against me arising out of the above traffic accident. Further, I authorize the War Department and the Treasury Solicitor* to take such action as may be considered proper and generally to do what may be considered necessary in my interests by the Treasury Solicitor* in his capacity as my Solicitor and legal adviser. This retainer includes my authority to admit liability if deemed advisable at a later date, after the facts have been fully investigated by the Treasury Solicitor*.

*Or the War Department Law Agent in Scotland or the Chief Crown Solicitor for Northern Ireland, as the case may be.

Driver's Signature *Pandrea Pietro*

(This must be in Driver's handwriting, not typed.)

Unit's file reference **9AG. 4444**

Command **NA. NAPLES**

Telephone **55802**

Address **TORRE DEL GRECO**

Name & Address of Insurance Co. (if applicable)

Insurance Cert. No. or Policy No.

Rate of Hire per day

Will probably be repaired by:—

No. of Vehicles on charge to Unit

(Name of Repair Shop or Garage)

Number of previous accidents in which Driver has been to blame

Of injured E.1 E.2 E.3 F.1 F.2 F.3

Place of investigation

Date Time

Investigation

Statements of Injured Person

Statements of Witnesses

A.D. Claims to arrange attendance at

Police Report

On Duty

Not a Driver

Name of Officer who gave authority for issue of A.F. G3518

(In greatest detail)

ON ITS AUTHORIZED ROUTE

COURT OF INQUIRY

INVESTIGATION

Damage to Service or Hired Vehicle and/or Load Carried

I certify that the Service Vehicle was being driven

It is essential that A.D. Claims furnish me with

Put cross in those required. References are to Sections overleaf.

TO BE COMPLETED ON RETURN TO UNIT.

N. SERVICE DRIVER	Name in full (all Christian Names) D'ANDREA PIETRO		Number 1	Unit 10 BLV	Driving Experience Civilian 1 Service 3	Date of entry into Service 10/5/43	Age 22	Rate of Pay per day 42 Lines
O. SERVICE or HIRED VEHICLE	Rank Col	Civilian Occupation Box P.L.A.	Type of Bodywork 2 door	Make CHEVROLET	H.P. RIGHT	Present Location of Vehicle TORRE DEL GRECO	Map reference of scene of accident NAPLES	
P. JOURNEY	If a motor-cycle, were all those on it wearing crash helmets? Army form G3518 was signed by A.F. G3518		From RESINA	To NAPLES	Journey (See A.C.I. 113/43)			
	LC. CAGIATI	Serial No.	Date	Nature of Duty UNIT - I.C. TEN.				
	If none signed, reason must be given in Driver's Statement.			N.A. NAPLES				

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*Or the War Department Law Agent in Scotland or the Chief Crown Solicitor for Northern Ireland, as the case may be.

Q. UNIT **10 BLV** Date **24 Apr 1946** Driver's Signature *exp. 1946* **D'Andrea Pietro**
(This must be in Driver's handwriting, not typed.)

R. HIRED VEHICLE	Name 10 BLV	Address TORRE DEL GRECO	Telephone 55802	Unit's file reference QAG.	Command MMIA
S. DAMAGE TO SERVICE or HIRED VEHICLE and/or LOAD CARRIED	Contractor's Name & Address See A.C.I.		Name & Address of Insurance Co. (if applicable)	Insurance Cert. No. or Policy No.	Rate of Hire per day

Will probably be repaired by:—

No. of Vehicles on charge at Unit

NIL

T. I certify that the Service Vehicle was being driven	ON DUTY	Name of Officer who gave authority for issue of A.F. G3518 Capt. BINDEL	(In greatest detail)
T.2 It is essential that A.D. Claims furnish me with	Police Report	Statements of Injured Persons E.1 E.2 E.3	Statements of Witnesses F.1 E.2 F.3
	Inquest Depositions	A.D. Claims to arrange attendance at	Place of Inquiry INVESTIGATION
	Put cross to those required. References are to Sections overleaf.	U. Signature of O.C. Unit Date 13/5/46	

W. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO HOLD AN INVESTIGATION
Opinion of Officer commanding Unit as to responsibility.
(Only to be completed on copy sent to Higher Authority.)

The old man was to blame

X. Punishment awarded:—

V. First Copy sent to A.D.	Claims	Comd.	194
Y. Second Copy sent to next Higher Authority, namely:	on	194	
Signature of Brigada or other Commander.	Signature of Divisional Commander.	Signature of Corps Commander.	194

Any correspondence concerning this accident should give all the particulars set out on the other side of this slip and be addressed to:—
THE SECRETARY, CLAIMS COMMISSION, WING HOUSE, PICCADILLY, LONDON, W.1. (In Northern Ireland: 2 Malone Park, Belfast.)
Should any person have been injured, full particulars should be given together with the address at which the person could be examined if necessary.
Should a vehicle have been damaged, the following information should be given:—(i) the name and address of the Insurance Company; (ii) the number of the Policy; (iii) whether this is a comprehensive, third party only, or Road Traffic liability only; (iv) the amount of the excess (if any).

REPARTO ITALIANO CONFINAMENTI
PER IL LAVORO IN ITALIA DI GIUGNO 1946

Oggetto: rapporto incidente stradale.

AL COMANDO DEL REPARTO

La mattina del giorno 25 maggio 1946 mi trovavo a Napoli per servizio alla guida dell'autobus 590024. Avevo a bordo il signor, Giovanni Gagliardi ed il fante "ancella" Nello. Verso le ore 9,30 approcai Corso Umberto I provveniente da Piazza Caracciolo e diretto a Piazza dell'Orto.

All'incrocio del Corso ed i fornai per far passare un numeroso gruppo di persone che provenivano dalla mia sinistra. Si erano fermati in mezzo alla strada.

Quando lo stesso gruppo passò improvvisamente a muoversi per ripartire.

Restavo fermo cioè il tempo che era alla mia sinistra ed avevo di far attenzione perché un veicolo con un carrettino si era infilato proprio davanti alla macchina. Data l'altezza della macchina e la piccola statura dell'individuo non lo potevo vedere. Fecero immediatamente la macchina, che però, urto, leggendario il carrettino facendo caso in terra il veicolo.

Lasciato il carrettino in consegna ad un conoscente del veicolo, i carichi in macchina e lo portai ad un ospedale che egli mi indicò e di cui non so il nome. Feci visitare il veicolo dal personale di servizio e prima non gli riscontrarono alcuna ingiuria lo accompagnai fuori dall'ospedale ove lo lasciai dopo aver preso i suoi particolari.

D'AMICO Giuseppe domiciliato in Palazzina Leopolda 3 Napoli.

Pouches Pietro

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COMANDO REPARTO ITALIANO COMPLEMENTI
PER NUCLEO INGLESE DI COLLEGAMENTO 10 BLU

Dichiarazione di testimonianza. Ten. Giovanni Cagiati.

La mattina del giorno 23 maggio 1946 mi recai a Napoli con l'automezzo 5905624 guidato dal Cap. le D'ANDREA Pietro. Ero diretto al Comando Militare Territoriale. Verso le ore 9,50 giunto all'inizio di Corso Umberto I, proveniendo da Piazza Garibaldi la macchina si fermò per permettere di passare ad un gruppo di persone che si trovavano in mezzo alla strada. Quando le persone furono passate la macchina incominciò a muoversi.

In quel momento vidi un'ombra passare avanti alla presa d'aria alla mia sinistra che era aperta; l'ombra era diretta verso destra.

Mi resi conto che una persona stava attraversando la strada davanti alla macchina, senza che la si potesse vedere. Mentre avvisavo di ciò l'autista, vidi un beretto avanti alla macchina alla sinistra del radiatore.

L'autista fermò la macchina ma non poté impedire che questa urtasse contro qualche cosa che pensai fosse una bicicletta. Mi accorsi poi che era un carrettino. Un vecchio che lo spingeva era stato buttato in terra dall'urto dato al carrettino.

L'autista caricò il vecchio sulla macchina e lo portò all'ospedale.

Le generalità del vecchio sono: D'AMICO Giuseppe, domiciliato a Palazzina Isolata 3.

Giovanni Cagiati

ITALIAN TRANSMIT
TO 10 BRITISH AIRMAIL UNIT.

SUBJECT:- Traffic Accident Report.

UNIT NO.

On the morning of the 23 May 46 I was on duty in NAPLES, driving the vehicle ID No 5905624. I had on board Lt GIACINTI GIOVANNI and Pte ZENZI RINALDO. At about 0930 hours I entered CORSO UMBERTO I coming from PIAZZA CARBONARA and going towards PIAZZA DELLA BORSA.

At the beginning of the CORSO I stopped to give the way to a large group of persons that, coming from my left, had stopped in the middle of the street.

When the persons had passed, I started moving the vehicle to proceed.

While I was doing that the Lt that was on my left told me to be careful, because an old man with a little hand cart had got just in front of the vehicle.

Owing to the height of the vehicle and the small size of the man I could not see him.

I stopped immediately the vehicle, but this hit slightly the little cart causing the old man to fall down.

Having left the cart to a friend of the old man I put him on the vehicle and took him to an hospital that he showed me and the name of which I don't know.

I had the old man visited by the personnel on duty and as no injury was found I took him out of the hospital when I left him, having taken his particulars:

D'AMICO GIUSEPPE address, PALAZZINA ISOLATA No. 3, NAPLES.

(Signed) D'AMICO PIERO

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ITALIAN INCIDENT
TO 10 HUNGARIAN LEADERS UNIT

WITNESS STATEMENT - LE CAGNANI

On the morning of the 23 May 46 I went into HUNGARY with the vehicle No. 590524, driven by Cpl. D'AMERICA VIERO. I was going to BUDAPEST. At about 0950 hours, having arrived at the beginning of URSO HUNGARY 1, coming from PIAZZA CORBARI, the vehicle stopped to give the way to a group of persons that were in the middle of the street. When the persons had passed the vehicle started to move forward.

At that moment I saw a shadow passing in front of the little side window on my left, that was open, this shadow was directed towards the right.

I realized that a person was crossing the street just in front of the vehicle, without being seen. While I was warning the driver of this fact, I saw a cap in the front of the vehicle, on the left of the radiator.

The driver stopped the vehicle but could not avoid this hitting something that I thought was a bicycle. I after saw it was a little cart. An old man that was pushing it had been thrown down by the push given to the cart.

The driver took the old man on the vehicle and took him to hospital.

The particulars of the man are :-

D'AMERICA CHRISTIAN, living in PALAZZINA DIOLATA No. 3 HUNGARY.

(Signed) LE CAGNANI GIOVANNI.

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REFER 50 AG - Folio 19A

31A

SUBJECT :- Vehicle collision of LEAZZA RAFFAELE
Truck 20174047 driven by
Cpl Maj LA BELLA FILIPPO.

Provost Marshal FBS
Italian Liaison Sect.
R. Questura
NAPLES
253/61

21 May 46

10 BLU

1. The attached correspondence from Terr. HQ Naples is forwarded to you.

2. Ack.

GC/ea

(Sgd) ALBERTO JACCARINO,
L.O. P.M., FBS.

See 21A
19A
20A
35A

9AG

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24 MAY 1946

SUBJECT :- Vehicle collision of LEAZZA RAFFAELE
Truck 2074047 driven by
Op1 Maj LA MATA FILIPPO.

Territorial HQ
 NAPLES
 4/5066/Pres

13 May 46

Avvocatura Distrettuale dello Stato
 NAPLES

Territorial HQ NAPLES
 Maj. IACCARINO ALBERTO,
 I.O. with the Allies, for onward
 transmission to
 10 HLU - Questura Building
 (Letter dated 1st Mar 46 of 10 HLU
 refers).

1. Attached please find sketch required, duly signed and stamped.
2. It is confirmed that the distance between the English lorry and the cart that was collided was superior than that between the cart and the Italian vehicle; the latter having therefore priority proceeded in its run, having rightly calculated that it would overtake the cart before crossing the Allied vehicle.
3. From what above said the imprudence of the Allied driver is evident, because, not caring of the particular circumstances a/m and of the greater danger determined by the presence on his side of a tram-car stopped at about 20 meters from the cart, did not slow down and caused the collision.
4. These circumstances are particularly proved by the statements of witnesses : TODISCO GIUSEPPE, RITONATO NUNZIO, OLIVA DOMENICO attached herewith.
5. Therefore this HQ can only confirm the conclusions of the previous letter 4/1497/Pres dated 31st Jan 46, that is, that the responsibility of the collision and of the consequences are to be blamed only to the English driver, unknown.

GC/ea

(Sgd.) RUSSO MARIO, Gen.

FIXE

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Subject :- Traffic Accident.

10 British Liaison Unit
Torre del Greco
Tel. Naples 55381
9 AG

D&D, Claims and Hirings
Naples Area

1 Apr 46

1. On 28 March at about 1630 hrs I was proceeding from NAPLES towards AVELLINO. At about Km.44 two little girls ran across the road in front of my jeep, from left to right. I braked and avoided one girl, but the other one fell on the ground on the right of the road, at the moment my jeep stopped. I am not sure whether she was touched by the right front wheel, or whether her injury was due to falling on the road. I took her to

Dr. Cav. APPIERNO ALFONSO
MEDICO CHIRURGO OSTETRICO
BRUSCIANO (Napoli)

He examined her, declared her to be unhurt apart from abrasion on the knee and leg, put a dressing on her knee and sent her away.

2. At the time of the accident I was driving at about 20 m.p.h.

3. I was driving myself as my permanent Italian military driver was not available owing to duty, and I have no confidence in the man who was detailed to accompany me.

ATG/db

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Phill
Lt-Col.
CS.
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STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Italian Increment to 10 EU
 Torre del Greco
 29 Mar 46

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT

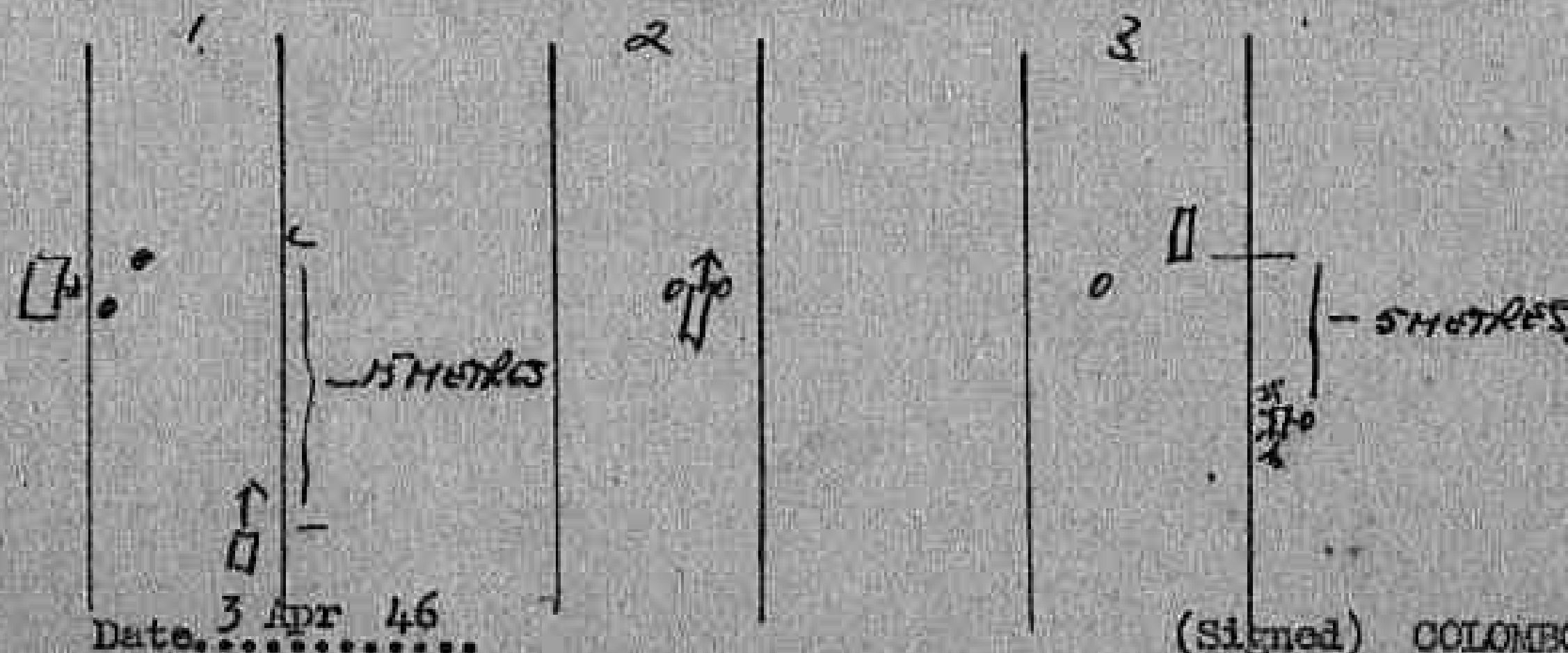
Witness : Gar COLOMBO Luigi

Vehicle : Jeep 5662552
Driver : Lt-Col. A.W. GIBSON
Place : BRUSCIANO
Time : on or about 1615 hrs
Speed : 20 MPH
Travel Direction : Proceeding from POMIGLIANO D'ARCO to CITTELLE
Description of accident :

After having passed through the village of BRUSCIANO, in the periphery, two girls came running out of a street door, about 15 metres from the vehicle, and crossed, always running, the road, coming from the left. Having seen the vehicle one stopped suddenly in the middle of the road, while the other went on running.

In spite of the action of the brakes, the vehicle did not manage to stop immediately, and having to pass between the two girls skinned the one on the right causing her to fall on the ground. The vehicle stopped completely only 4 metres after the place of the accident.

The girl, falling on the ground, had her left leg grazed. She was taken with the same vehicle to the village ambulatory. 3001



(Signed) COLOMBO LUIGI

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SUBJECT:- Traffic Accident

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ Naples Area
Tele: (3 Dist Ex 216
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A 47

9 Apr 46

10 Br Liaison Unit
Terre del Greco

Reference your 9AG dated 3 Apr 46.

1. Correspondence on this accident has not been forwarded to Claim & Hirings by this HQ.
2. Your attention is drawn to GRO 96/44 para 6 (a) which states that the unit will forward the AF A3676 to Claims & Hirings within 24 hours of the accident.

In the Field

c/c

William C. ...
Lt Col
AA & QMG

SEE 22A

SEE 30A

FA 3000

11 APR 1946

28A

Subject :- Fatal vehicle accident
occurred to driver LANCIA V.
by an Allied vehicle
driven by D.R.V. DENNINGTON,
Ret.d.RCJ.

Territorial HQ., Naples
7/3115 /SG

1 Apr 46

10 ELJU

On 9 Oct 44, following a vehicle accident, driver LANCIA VINCENTO died, as per letter 17/933 dated 9 Oct 45, issued by the OCRR Station of Capua, copy herewith.

At the end of the administrative inquest, the Avvocatura Distrettuale dello Stato, of NAPLES, in order to state the legal opinion for the ascertainment of the responsibilities pertaining to the above-mentioned accident, requested the statement of the drivers of the Allied vehicle, stating if LANCIA had been allowed to ride on the Allied vehicle, or otherwise.

Since the Garrison HQ at CAPUA has been unable to trace the a/m drivers, who are not known to the Allied HQ of units in that area, we beg you to take whichever action you may think necessary in order to further the end of the inquiry.

(Sgd) A. CHIAPETTI, Col.

Refer - 5044. 37A

See - 33A 35A

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10 APR 1946

SUBJECT:- Deadly vehicle accident -
Dvr LANCIA VINCENZO son of
DONATO and ZUPPA CATERINA
born in TEANO on the 31/12/23
at TEANO, LARGO CONCORDIA
No.2

CC.RR. Territorial Legion,
NAPLES.
Station of CAPUA.
17/933

9 Oct 1944

..... addresses

At about 1100 hours today 9 Oct 1944, an Allied vehicle transported the dead body of the a/n soldier, of the 10 Driver Regt of NAPLES, actually on compassionate leave of 15 days, dated 6 Sept (already expired)

The corpse presents: fracture of the skull, breakage of the ribs.

On the body were (a) leave pass, (b) portfolio with 302 liras, driver license No.36648/4 issued by Terr Defense HQ of BOLOGNA dated 12/3/43.

What follows has been ascertained up to now.

At about 0930 hours today, at about 2 kms outside CAPUA towards ROME, on the Via APPIA, the English lorry WD No.14454544 driven by Dvr DENNINGTON, RETD, REY located in CAPUA, proceeding towards CAPUA, was obliged to stop and could no more proceed on its way.

The driver of the above mentioned vehicle stopped an English lorry driven by 14137 Pte BRADY W.A. HQ Coy, 1st Bn CARRIBONN Regt, located at RIARDO, to be towed in. This agreed at the request, got ahead of the broken down vehicle, fixed the tow chain and started moving towards CAPUA.

Unfortunately at that same moment Dvr LANCIA, having turned towards the towed vehicle, was climbing on it. He was crushed between the side-boards of the lorry and a tree that was on the right hand side of the road coming from Rome towards CAPUA. The driver of the towing vehicle stopped. Dvr LANCIA was picked up by an Allied vehicle and taken to the local civil Hospital dead. Apparently he was put on the vehicle already dead, as his death was immediate.

It has not been possible, till now, to find out the names of any witnesses. It seems that the two British drivers were present.

The corpse is in the mortuary room of the local Civil Hospital at disposition of the Pretore of CAPUA.

The objects found on the body are kept by the Direction of the Hospital. Medical report is attached for the Pretura of CAPUA.

(Signed) ROBERTO ELASONE W.O.

27A
Avvocatura Distrettuale dello Stato
2167
Naples, 3 Apr 46

Subject :- Trial of LAZZA-RAFFALE

Territorial HQ., Naples

for information : 10 HLU

Reference our 4/3864 dated 27 Mar 46.

Since 10 HLU Hq inform us that the vehicle which passed between the cart and the oncoming vehicle, contrarily to what had been stated by Military Territorial Hq with letter 1497, dated 31 Jan 46, was driven by driver LA BELLA, taking note of the different circumstances as now mentioned, it appears also to us that the blame for the accident can be laid at LA BELLA rather than at the driver of the British vehicle. In any case, so that a definitive judgment can be rendered, we beg you to send us a copy of the original drawing of the location where the accident took place, and we further beg you to send, in future, every document which might be in possession of your Administration; this in order to prevent for the future equivocations and mistakes.

This Avvocatura must also state that, in case of accidents suffered from unknown persons, and differently from those where the responsible person is ascertained, the Military Administration find itself in the position where they cannot defend themselves, while private citizens try, and also through false witnesses, to build for themselves a case where the responsibility appears to belong to presumed military, when in the majority of cases the military cars were driven by civilians. Therefore it will be necessary to enforce, for the private citizens, the orders which are now in force, i.e. to stop at the moment of the accident.

This is how our preceding letter of 13 Feb 46, No. 1120, must be interpreted.

(Sgd) Mariano ROCCO
Avvocato dello Stato

Refer 5096 509.

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10 APR 1946

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(Sgd) Mariano ROCCO
Avvocato dello Stato

Refer 5046 507.

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10 APR 1946

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N.116496/REQ - ENGINEERS. Reference signal No. OC/2755 dated 2 Mar 46. Enquiries re damages to vehicles and persons caused by Allied Forces is responsibility of your Territorial HQ, through same offices charged with same enquiries re damages caused by Italian Forces. - General Direction Administrative Services are issuing orders in merit. - Hold at depending requisition office only matters relating to damages to buildings waiting for instructions in merit.

(Sgd) CRIVARO, Minister.

REFER 50 AG - FOLIO 4712

bb/

9 - APR 1948

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Subject :- Administrative inquiries about
vehicle accidents, caused by
Allied Military to Ital. civilians.

Territorial HQ, Naples
4/418/Fres.

10 BUJ (for information)

Garrison HQs, charged to prepare for their areas the a/m administrative inquiry about vehicle accidents occurring to Allied Forces vehicles, must follow the same proceedings stated by circular order 782/R - 1934 of the Ministry of War, as applicable.

In any case the enquiry report must enclose the following documents, in quintuplicate :

1. Detailed report from CC.RR. and eventually from Public Safety.
2. Medical Reports, verified by CC.RR.
3. Detailed statement of the person having suffered the accident, and if possible also of the person having caused the accident.
4. Detailed statement of eye witnesses, verified and bearing the office stamp.
5. Planimetric map of the location where accident occurred.
6. Informations on the economic and social standing of the person having suffered the accident, and of his family.

The administrative inquiry about the accidents which happen in localities having no Garrison HQ will be taken up by the nearest Garrison Command.

(Sgd) E. GIORDANO, Col.
Chief of Staff

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SUBJECT :- Traffic accident

10 British Liaison Unit
Torre del Greco
Tel: NAPLES 55361
9 AG

3. Apr 46

NAPLES Area ("A" Branch)

22A

Reference this office letter 9 AG dated 1 Apr 46.

1. Attached please find Statement of Witness (Cnr COLEMAN Luigi) in duplicate.
2. My confirmation please be given that one copy of correspondence has been forwarded to Mr. Glaine and Hixings.

GT
AJW/rvm

Lt Col.
CS

SEE 50AC - FOLIO 45A

REFER. 29A

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STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Italian Inherent to 10 BMJ
Torre del Greco
29 Mar 46

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT

Witness : GNR COLETO Luigi

Vehicle :

Jeep 5662532

Driver :

Lt Col A. W. GIBSON

Place :

BUSOLATO

Time :

on or about 1615 hrs

Speed :

20 MPH

Travel Direction :

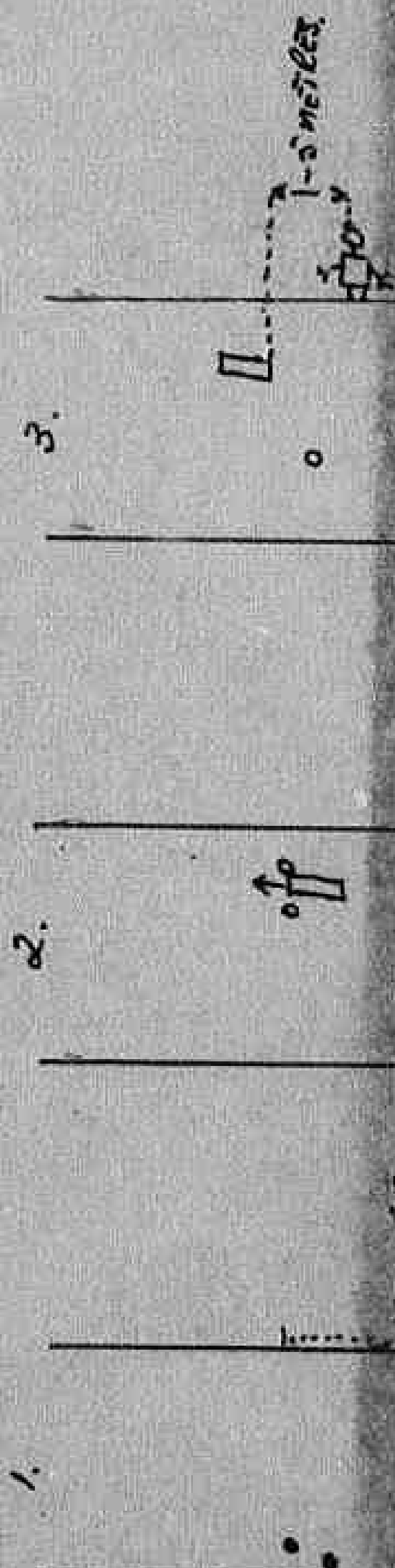
Proceeding from BUSOLATO to DIAMER

Description of accident :

After having passed through the village of BUSOLATO, in the periphery, two girls came running out of a street door, about 15 metres from the vehicle, and crossed, always running, the road, coming from the left. Having seen the vehicle, one stopped suddenly in the middle of the road, while the other went on running.

In spite of the action of the brakes, the vehicle did not manage to stop immediately, and having to pass between the two girls, skinned the one on the right causing her to fall on the ground. The vehicle stopped completely only 4 metres after the place of the accident.

The girl, falling on the ground, had her left leg 93
knee grazed. She was taken with the same vehicle to the village
ambulatory.

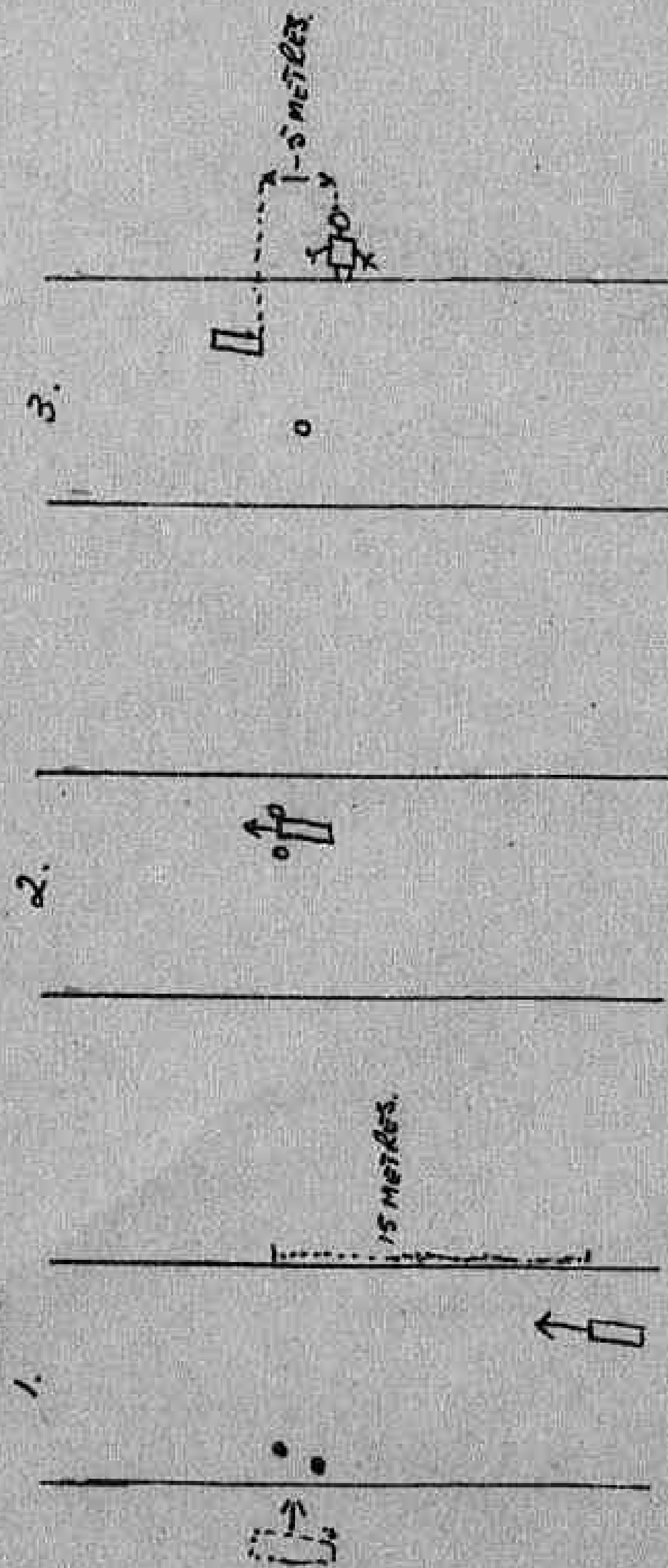


Vehicle: Jeep 5662552
Driver: Lt Col A. W. GIBSON
Place: BRUSOLANO
Time: on or about 1615 hrs
Speed: 20 MPH
Travel Direction: Proceeding from BRUSOLANO D'ANGO to CENTINIA
Description of accident:

BRUSOLANO, in the periphery, two girls came running out of a street door, about 15 metres from the vehicle, and crossed, always running, the road, coming from the left. Having seen the vehicle, one stopped suddenly in the middle of the road, while the other went on running.

In spite of the action of the brakes, the vehicle did not manage to stop immediately, and having to pass between the two girls, skinned the one on the right causing her to fall on the ground. The vehicle stopped completely only 4 metres after the place of the accident.

The girl, falling on the ground, had her legs 93 inches spread. She was taken with the same vehicle to the village ambulatory.



Date 3 APR. 46.

Signature

Colombo Luigi

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Italian Increment to 10 ELU
Torre del Greco
29 Mar 46

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT

Witness : Cnr. COLOMBO LUIGI

Vehicle : Jeep 5662552Driver : Lt-Col. A.W. GIBBONPlace : BRUSCIANOTime : on or about 16,15 hrs.Speed : 20 MPHTravel direction : proceeding from POLIGLIANO D'ARCO to CIMITILINDescription of accident :

After having passed through the village of BRUSCIANO, in the periphery, two girls came running out of a street door, about 15 metres from the vehicle, and crossed, always running, the road, coming from the left. Having seen the vehicle, one stopped suddenly in the middle of the road, while the other went on running.

In spite of the action of the brakes, the vehicle did not manage to stop immediately, and having to pass between the two girls, skinned the one on the right causing her to fall on the ground. The vehicle stopped completely only 4 metres after the place of the accident.

The girl, falling on the ground, had her left knee grazed. She was taken with the same vehicle to the village ambulatory.

Refer 50 AG 45A }
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Refer 22A.

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SUBJECT :- Traffic Accident - Major DUFFY10 British Liaison Unit
Torre del Greco .
Tele: NAPLES 55802
9 AG

2 Apr 46

2 BLU

Reference your letter A 3/2 dated 25 Mar 46.

56 BLU files have been searched, but it is regretted that no correspondence on this accident can be found in this office.

CMF
AMG/ZVBAr
Lt Col,
GS.

see 3717

2004

Subject :- Traffic Accident.

10 British Liaison Unit
Torre del Greco
Tel. Naples 55381
9 AG

NAPLES Area ("A" Branch)

Apr 46

1. On 28 March at about 1630 hrs I was proceeding from NAPLES towards AVERSA. At about Km. 44 two little girls ran across the road in front of my jeep, from left to right. I braked and avoided one girl, but the other one fell on the ground on the right of the road, at the moment my jeep stopped. I am not sure whether she was touched by the right front wheel, or whether her injury was due to falling on the road. I took her to

Dr. Cav. APPERTO ALFONSO
MEDICO CHIRURGO OSTETRICO
BRUSCIANO (Napoli).

He examined her, declared her to be unhurt apart from abrasion on the knee and leg, put a dressing on her knee and sent her away.

2. The name and address of the child were said to be :

BROCOLINO FILOMENA di Raffaele
VIA CARTAUCCI
BRUSCIANO (Napoli)

Aged 7 years.

3. At the time of the accident I was driving at about 20 m.p.h.

4. I was driving myself as my permanent Italian military driver was not available owing to duty, and I have no confidence in the man who was detailed to accompany me yesterday.

AWG/bb

Lt-Col.
GS.

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Army Form A3676
(Revised August, 1942)
To be filled in by
address
by ever
A.C.I.131...

Cross out those words in ITALICS which do not apply.

WAR DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT

THIS SIDE TO BE COMPLETED AT SCENE OF ACCIDENT. IF SPACE IS INSUFFICIENT, WRITE ON BACK.

A. ACCIDENT		Date	Time	Place	Surname of Service Driver	No. of Service Vehicle
		29 MAR-46	1630 HRS.	KM. 44 RD. NAPLES -	GIBSON	M. 5662052
B. OTHER VEHICLE		Lorry	Make	Registration No.	Name and address of Insurance Co.	Insurance Certificate
		Motor Car	NIL	-	-	-
C. DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name	Driving Licence	Address and Occupation		
		NIL	-	-		
D. OWNER OF OTHER VEHICLE		Name	No.	Address and Occupation		
		NIL	-	-		
E. INJURED PERSONS		Name	Age (approx.)	Address and Occupation	Telephone	Injury
1. State whether civilian or in Armed Forces. If the latter, give Service, number and Unit.		ROCCO DI FILLO	Y	CHILD -	NIL	Slight
2.				VIA CARTUCCI		Slight
3.				BRUSCIANO		Slight
F. WITNESSES		Name	Address	Telephone	Age approx.	Occupation
1. Name, address etc., of every person present must be obtained.		D. R. CALABRO	10 RATTISMANIAN UNIT	-	23	ITALIAN
2.			TORRE DEL GRECO			SOLDIER
3.						
G. APPARENT DAMAGE TO OTHER VEHICLE						
NIL.						
H. INJURY TO ANIMALS						
(Note any previous defects)						
LED						
How many						
NIL.						
STAY-ING						
I. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY						
Exact Location						
NIL						
J. POLICEMAN						
Name						
NIL.						
Police Station						
NIL.						
He did NOT see accident						
A statement was NOT made to him						
Road Patrol						
Name						
Branch						
K. LIGHTS						
DAYLIGHT						
NIGHT						
Service Vehicle						
NOT LIT						
Other Vehicle						
NOT LIT						
L. SPEED OF VEHICLE						
Service						
20 m.p.h.						
Other						
NIL.						
M. I GAVE THE ACCIDENT SLIP BELOW TO Mr.						
NIL.						

I GAVE THE ACCIDENT SLIP BELOW TO Mr.

C. DRIVER OF OTHER VEHICLE	Name NIL.	Driving Licence Date No.	Address and Occupation	Telephone
D. OWNER OF OTHER VEHICLE	Name NIL.		Address and Occupation	Telephone
E. INJURED PERSONS	Name 30 COCCINO FILLO. 1. MENA DI CARFAGNA 2. 3.	Age (approx.) 1. 2. 3.	Address and Occupation CHAD VIA CARTAUCI BRUSCIANO	Hospital (if known)
F. WITNESSES	Name 1. DR. COLOMBO 2. 3.	Address 10 RITISH LIAISON UNIT TARE DEL GREGO	Occupation ITALIAN 23. SOLDIER	
G. APPARENT DAMAGE TO OTHER VEHICLE	NIL. (In greatest detail possible)			

H. INJURY TO ANIMALS	(Note any previous defects)				Telephone
I. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY					NAME & ADDRESS OF OWNER or OCCUPIER 2089
J. POLICEMAN					Telephone Landlord Tenant
K. LIGHTS					Association
L. SPEED OF VEHICLE					Branch
M. I GAVE THE ACCIDENT SLIP BELOW TO MR. NIL.					Address

MAKE SKETCH ON BACK WHILE ON SCENE OF ACCIDENT

Instructions to Driver

- (a) You must not admit liability by word or deed, or even discuss the question of blame, nor must the Service personnel with you.
- (b) Should a Police Officer appear on the scene, await his permission before continuing your journey. If he requires the location of your Unit or a statement from you or any Service personnel, this may be given to him, but only to him and out of the hearing of any other person. If your unit has a closed address you should, when giving the Police Officer its location, inform him that it must not be disclosed by him.
- (c) Report the accident immediately on your return. If you have been unable to give the Accident Slip below to the other person involved or to a Police Officer, you must inform your Commanding Officer of this so that he may report the accident to the Police within 24 hours in accordance with Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930. If you are not returning to your Unit within 24 hours, report the accident to the nearest Police Officer or Station.

This Accident Slip must be given to the other person involved or to the Police Officer, if one appears on the scene.

Insert here
Initials of
Command

SERVICE DRIVER	Name	Rank	Number	Unit	Vehicle No.	Code
ACCIDENT	Date	Time	Place	This slip is handed you for your convenience and is not to be taken as an admission of liability. [Please Turn Over.]		

Use this space for SKETCH and particulars for which there is no room on Page 1.
Put in all the measurements, skid-marks and details possible.

DOTS REPRESENT CHILDREN.

□ → *

From perforation at bottom to top of page is 1 foot.

This Report must be accompanied by the signed statements of the Driver and any other witnesses.

Wt 45008/886 2/43 51-6292

WRITTEN PARTICULARS IN ATTACHED COVERING LETTER.

TO BE COMPLETED ON RETURN TO UNIT.

N. SERVICE DRIVER	Name in full (all Christian Names) GIBSON - AUBREY WYNTER	Number 28890	Unit 10 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT	Driving Experience Years 10 Mths - Civilian Service Y	Date of entry into Service 17/2/44	Age 42	Rate of Pay per day 48/2
O. SERVICE OR HIRED VEHICLE	No. of Service Vehicle M. 5662552	Type of Bodywork VEH.	Load capacity A STR.	Make WILLYS.	Present Location of Vehicle TABLE DES GREGO (10 ALU)	UN-LOA-DED	Map reference of scene of accident N. 345Y
P. JOURNEY	If a motor-cycle, were all those on it wearing crash helmets? Army Form G3518 was signed by A.F.G.3518		Journey From NAPLES To AVELLINO	Nature of Duty LIAISON DUTY			

I declare that the above particulars and my signed statement are true in every respect. I hereby authorize the War Department if they so desire to instruct the Treasury Solicitor* to act on my behalf if any proceedings which may be instituted against me arising out of the above traffic accident. Further, I authorize the War Department and the Treasury Solicitor* to take such action as may be considered proper and generally to do what may be considered necessary in my interests by the Treasury Solicitor* in his capacity as my Solicitor and legal adviser. This retainer includes my authority to admit liability if deemed advisable at a later date, after the facts have been fully investigated by the Treasury Solicitor*.

*Or the War Department Law Agents in Scotland or the Chief Crown Solicitor for Northern Ireland, at the case may be.

Date 30 MARCH 1946 Driver's Signature

(This must be in Driver's handwriting, not typed).

Q. UNIT	Name 10 ALU.	Address NAPLES AREA.	Telephone 55381	Unit's file reference 9/19G	Command MMIA.
R. HIRED VEHICLE	Hired through (R.A.S.C. Unit)	Contractor's Name & Address (TABLE DES GREGO)	Name & Address of Insurance Co. (if applicable)	Insurance Cert. No. or Policy No.	Rate of Hire per day
S. DAMAGE TO SERVICE OR HIRED VEHICLE and/or LOAD CARRIED	Will probably be repaired by: -				
					No. of Vehicles on charge to Unit

T. I certify that the Service Vehicle was being driven	ON DUTY	NOT ON DUTY	Name of Officer who gave authority for issue of A.F.G.3518 LT COL R.W. RIBBON O.B.E.	(In greatest detail)	(Name of Repair Shop or Garage)
T2. It is essential that A.D. Claims furnish me with	Police Report	Inquest Depositions	Statements of Injured Persons E.1 E.2 E.3	Statements of Witnesses F.1 F.2 F.3	Number of previous accidents in which Driver has been to blame
			COURT OF INQUIRY	Place N.I.L.	Of injured E.1 E.2 E.3
			INVESTIGATION	Date Time	Of witnesses F.1 F.2 F.3

W. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO HOLD
Opinion of Officer in command

U. A COURT OF INQUIRY
AN INVESTIGATION

Z. Disciplinary Action Approved

WRITTEN PARTICULARS IN ATTACHED COVERING LETTER.

TO BE COMPLETED ON RETURN TO UNIT.

N.	Name in full (all Christian Names) GIBSON. - AUBREY WYNTER		Number 28890	Unit 10 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT	Driving Experience Years 10 Months 10	Date of entry into Service 1924	Age 42	Rate of Pay per day 48/-
O.	Rank LT COL. Civilian Occupation M. 5662502. JEEP.		Type of Bodywork WILLYS.	Make WILLYS.	Load capacity A STR.	Present Location of Vehicle TORRE DEL GRECO (10844)		
P.	No. of Service Vehicle M. 5662502.		If a motor-cycle, were all those on it wearing crash helmets? Yes		If a motor-cycle, were all those on it wearing crash helmets? Yes			
Q.	JOURNEY		Serial No. 25 Date 29-3-46		Nature of Duty LIAISON DUTY		Map reference of scene of accident N. 3457	

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For the War Department Law Agent in Scotland or the Chief Crown Solicitor for Northern Ireland, as the case may be.

Date **30 MARCH 1946** Driver's Signature

(The must be in Driver's handwriting, not typed).

Q.	UNIT	Name 10 B L U.	Address NAPLES AREA.	Telephone 55381.	Unit's file reference 9/186	Command MMIA.	
R.	HIRED VEHICLE	Hired through (TORRE DEL GRECO)	Contractor's Name & Address (TORRE DEL GRECO)	Name & Address of Insurance Co. (if applicable)	Insurance Cert. No. or Policy No.	Rate of Hire per day	
S.	DAMAGE TO SERVICE OR HIRED VEHICLE and/or LOAD CARRIED	Will probably be repaired by :-					No. of Vehicles on charge to Unit
T.	I certify that the Service Vehicle was being driven	(Name of Repair Shop or Garage)					Number of previous accidents in which Driver has been to blame
T.2.	It is essential that A.D. Claims furnish me with	Name of Officer who gave authority for issue of A.F.G.3518 LT COL R.W. GIBSON O.B.E.					ON ITS AUTHORIZED ROUTE
U.	IT IS NOT INTENDED TO HOLD Opinion of Officer commanding Unit as to responsibility. (Only to be completed on copy sent to Higher Authority).	Statements of Injured Persons E1 E2 E3					Statements of Witnesses F1 F2 F3
W.	IT IS NOT INTENDED TO HOLD Opinion of Officer commanding Unit as to responsibility. (Only to be completed on copy sent to Higher Authority).	A COURT OF INQUIRY AN INVESTIGATION					Z. Disciplinary Action Approved
X.	Punishment awarded	THE CHILD WAS ENTIRELY TO BLAME FOR THE ACCIDENT.					Signature of Brigade or other Commander
		N I L.					Signature of Divisional Commander
		N I L.					Signature of Corps Commander

Any correspondence concerning this accident should give all the particulars set out on the other side of this slip and be addressed to :—
THE SECRETARY, CLAIMS COMMISSION, WING HOUSE, PICCADILLY, LONDON, W.1. (In Northern Ireland: 2, Malone Park, Belfast.)

Should any person have been injured, full particulars should be given together with the address at which the person could be examined if necessary. Should a vehicle have been damaged, the following information should be given :—(i) the name and address of the Insurance Company; (ii) the number of the Policy; (iii) whether this is comprehensive, third party only or Road Traffic liability only; (iv) the amount of the excess (if any).

Subject:- Traffic Accident (BRIT) - 2 Nov 45.

2 BLU
Tel: 52278
A 3/2
25 Mar 46.

OC 10 BLU

REFER 237

1. An accident occurred on 2 Nov 45 on the BRACCO Pass near LA SPEZIA involving car 5-cwt 4x4 WD No 5662408 and Major FP DUFFY then on the est of 56 BLU.
2. All witnesses to the accident, except Major DUFFY himself, have now been demobilized or have left this theatre with the result that it will not be possible to supply the particulars that have been requested by GHQ CMT.
3. It is understood that immediately after the accident occurred, the matter was reported by Major DUFFY to GSO II 56 BLU, full particulars were given and it is believed that a report was sent to Claims and Hirings by 56 BLU.
4. No trace of this accident is available at this HQ and it would therefore be most appreciated if a search could be made through any 56 BLU files you still hold for any documentary infm about the matter.
5. May any such correspondence please be fwd to this HQ for the compilation of a report.

GENOVA



Major,
DAA&QMG.

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HET/go

9-A9

30 MAR 1946

REF FOLP 43A FILE 90AY

202

Subject :- Vehicle accident of Cap. Magg. LA BELLA FILIPPO.Territo. HQ., Naples
4/4324/Presidio.

.....Addressees.....

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27 Mar 46.

Reference our 4/1497 date 31 Jan 46 we hereby enclose statement, for completion of the administrative inquiry, subject above.

(Sgd) M. RUSSO, Brigadier General

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STATEMENTHQ., S. AGNESE Station,
R O M E

12 Feb 46

The undersigned Maresciallo Capo RAMPA CORRADO, OC the Station of S. AGNESE, declares under his responsibility that Caporal Maggiore LA BELLA FILIPPO is in very difficult financial circumstances, having no worldly possessions.

The same can be stated about his family, composed of father, mother and two brothers. The last named ones are both in a sanatorium for T.B.n and one sister is also suffering from the same illness.

(Sgd) C. RAMPA, Maresciallo

2506

1 FILE 194
Subject :- Traffic Accidents.

10 British Liaison Unit
Tel. 20501 NAPLES
9 AG

11 Mar 46

Territorial HQ.,
NAPLES.

184
Reference your 4/3114/Presidio dated 4 Mar 46.

1. No action is being taken by this HQ.
2. It is pointed out that L'Avvocato dello Stato condemns the driver of the vehicle who passed between the cart and the on coming vehicle.
3. The driver of that vehicle was Cpl LA BELLA Filippo.
4. It was perfectly clear from the original sketch that the fault was NOT the British driver's.
5. The tone of the last paragraph of L'Avvocato dello Stato's letter is NOT appreciated by this unit.

OMF
RMD/ec

H. M. Davis Major
Lt-Col.
GS.

SEE 27A

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COPY

REF FOLIO 414 FILE 5044

Subject :- Motoraccident occurred to
Cpl. LA BELLA Filippo.

Avvocatura Bistrettuale dello Stato
1120/5769

19 Feb 46

18A

Territorial Hq., NAPLES
Adm. Directorate.

On request of Territ.Hq., we transmit the enclosed documents, informing that from their perusal it appears clearly that the responsibility of the fact must be attributed only to the driver of the British vehicle who, although he may have clearly seen the impossibility of passing between the cart and the american vehicle, did so and at great speed disappeared, leaving no traces.

From what is stated above, and as such incidents which occur by unknown members of the Allied Forces are beginning to be very frequent (in violation of our laws, and Allied laws) and as they are costing a great deal of money to the State Exchequer, we request that the Italian Military Administration take the matter up with the Allied Command, for such action as may be deemed advisable in order to prevent the spreading of such incidents.

(Sgd)

L'Avvocato dello Stato
Mariano ROSSO

Territorial Hq., Naples
4/3114/Presidio

HQ. 10 Military Police Coy.

Italian Unit

4 Mar 46

10 BLU.

..... for information, and with the request to pass the information to
Cpl. LA BELLA Filippo.

No communication will be made to the other party. Whenever damages were requested, the request for damages will be made to this Hq. for future action which may result.

10 BLU Hq. is requested to take notice of the last para of letter 1120/5769, dated 19 Feb 46, of the Avvocatura dello Stato.

(Sgd) Mario Russo, Brigadier General,
Area Commander

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3 MAR 1946

REF FOLIO 34A FILE 50A5

17A

Subject :- Road Accident.Terr. HQ., NAPLES
9/68/Segr.

18 Feb 46

HQ 714 Group (ref. your 2049 delvd 11.2.46)
10 BLU

1. Please find attached letter 9/AG dated 31/12/45 of 10 BLU.
2. Inform this HQ of charge taken against D.ver BONIZZONI MARIO of 4 Tpt Coy. under your command.

(Sgd.) E. GIORDANO, Col.
Chief of Staff.

9 AG

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HEADQUARTERS SOUTHERN DISTRICT
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
Office of the Provost Marshal
APO 782

8 FEBRUARY 1946

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Accident Reports.

TO: CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER, ITALIAN DIVISION

1. Transmitted herewith are Military Police reports of accidents involving vehicles of your organization or in which you might be interested.
2. Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE PROVOST MARSHAL:

9 AY

John S. Penwell
JOHN S. PENWELL
Captain, C.M.P.
Administrative Officer

forget X
15 FEB 1946
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HEADQUARTERS PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL
NAPLES AREA

REPORT OF ACCIDENT

Date Reported 24 January 1949

Reported by: Lt. Chamberlain C.E. Org: 503 I.P.B.

Accident happened on Via San Carlo - Naples

Near About 1 miles of Kilm

At about 1700 hours. Weather was fair Light cond. fair

Type of pavement Asph Cond of road surf Width ft.

ARMY VEHICLE No. 1 - Make Type Ven. No.

Organization APC

Veh. dispatched by Operator

Orgn. of Operator APC

Direction of travel Speed M.P.H.

Apparent Damage.

ARMY VEHICLE No. 2 - Make Type Ven. No.

Organization APC

Veh. dispatched by Operator

Orgn. of Operator APC

Direction of travel Speed M.P.H.

Apparent Damage.

CIVILIAN CAR - Make FIAT Year 1935 Lic No. 084583 IM

Owner Italian Army Address

Operator Centucci Mario Address 1st Autocorseione Spago 23

Reported by _____
 Accident happened on Via San Cesare - Verles
 Near _____
 At about 1700 hours. Weather was fair Light cond. fair
 Type of pavement stone Cond of road surf _____ Width _____ ft.
 ARMY VEHICLE No. 1 - Make _____ Type _____ Veh. No. _____
 Organization _____
 Veh. dispatched by _____ Operator _____
 Orgn. of Operator _____
 Direction of travel _____ Speed _____ M.P.H.
 Apparent Damage _____
 ARMY VEHICLE No. 2 - Make _____ Type _____ Veh. No. _____
 Organization _____
 Veh. dispatched by _____ Operator _____
 Orgn. of Operator _____
 Direction of travel _____ Speed _____ M.P.H.
 Apparent Damage _____
 CIVILIAN CAR - Make Fiat Type 500 Year 1955 Lic No. 021055 RM
 Owner Italian Army Address _____
 Operator Antoniello Serio Address 1st Autonomia Spezia 20
 Driving Experience 6 years Chauff. Lic. No. 03910
 Speed 4 M.P.H. Direction of Travel South
 Veh. Cond (not damage) Good
 Damage _____
 What became of cars. Impounded at M.P.H.Q.

INJURED

Name Mandrich Giuseppe Age 9 Sex M (~~Passenger~~) (Pedestrian)
 Address Via San Cosimo, 119 (~~Killed~~) (Injured)
 Name _____ Sex _____ (Passenger) (Pedestrian)
 Address _____ (~~Killed~~) (Injured)

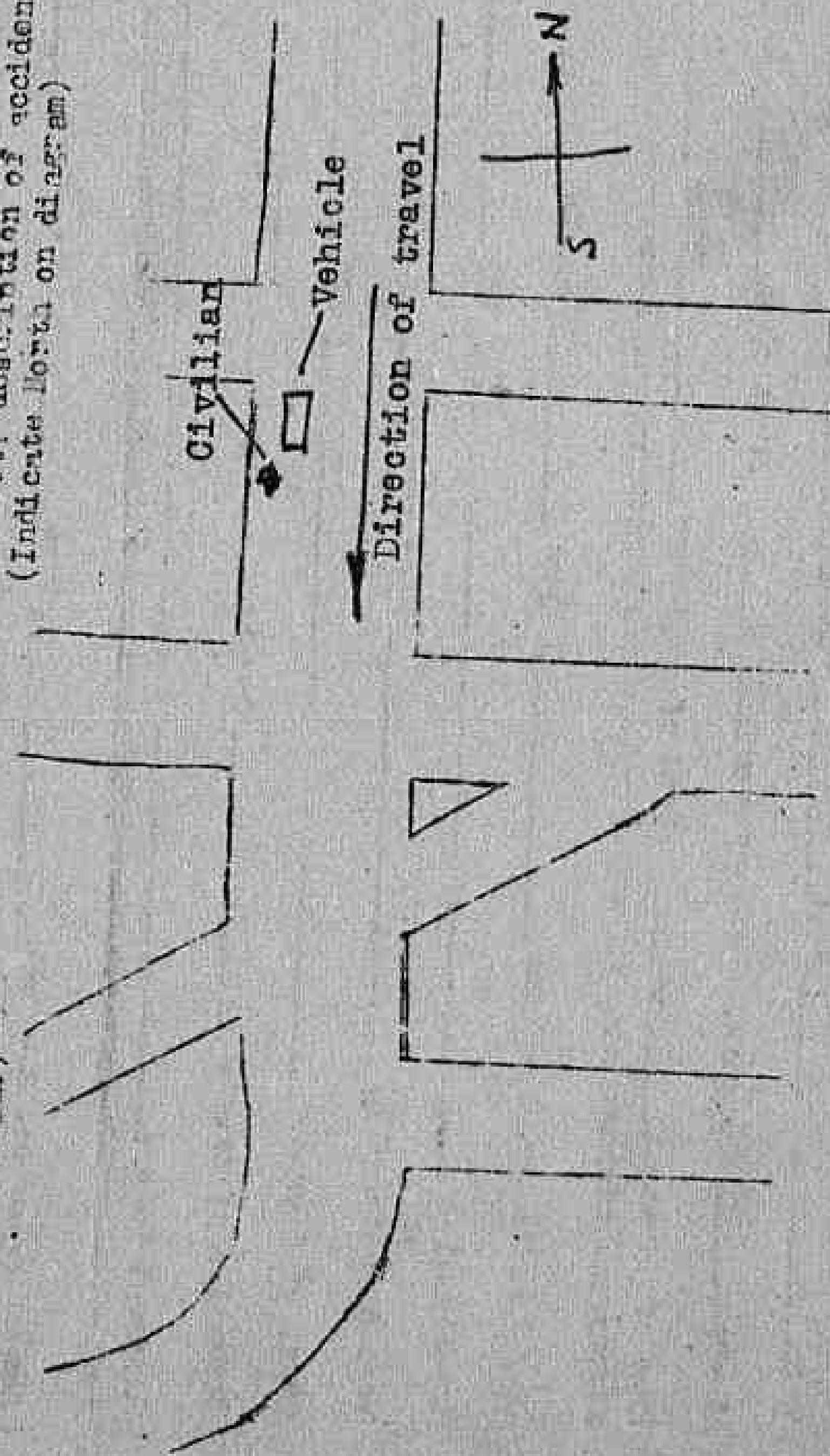
Injuries (Full details as to where taken, by whom, how long after accident.)
Excoriated contusions at the both legs.

Abdominal contusion.

Shock.

Arrest and charge _____

(Report further details, including complete names, addresses or organization of witnesses, stating whether they were involved or not; description of accident and diagram of road.)
 (Indicate North on diagram)



Address

Injuries (Full details as to where taken, by whom, how long after accident.)

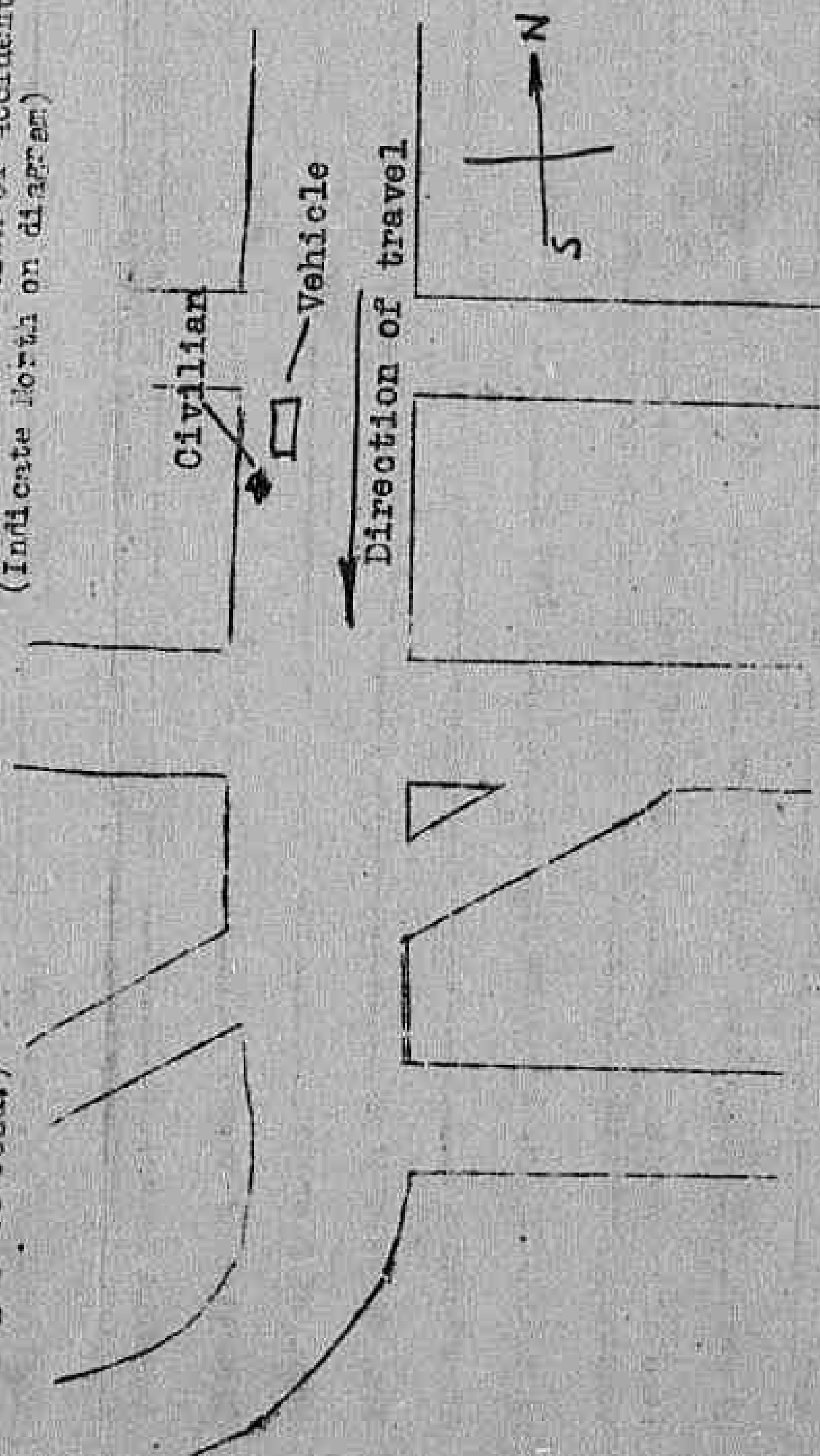
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(Indicate North on diagram)



REF FOLIO 29A FILE 5049

13A

SUBJECT :- Road Accident - Truck USA 20174047 driven
by Cpl Maj LA BELLA FILIPPO of 10 P.M. Coy
Wounded LAZZA RAFFAELE

Ministry of War - ROME
Territorial HQ - NAPLES
10 BLJ - NAPLES

Territorial HQ - NAPLES

4/1497/Pres

31 Jan 46

On the 29 Nov 45 at 1330 hours the truck USA 20174047, driven by Cpl Maj
LA BELLA FILIPPO was proceeding from San GIOVANNI A TEDUCCIO towards
PIAZZA GARIBOLDI on the Via STELLA POLARE.

The vehicle was travelling at normal speed and keeping the right while
he was overtaking a horse drawn cart. At that moment a British lorry passed
in the opposite direction at high speed (25 M.P.H.).

The driver of the lorry, not having judged the space left on the road, the
greater part of which was occupied by the truck and cart, proceeded his
journey at high speed, passed the same and hit violently the left side
of the body of the truck. This was thrown against the cart and pushed
it into the ditch, causing injuries to a workman, LAZZA RAFFAELE who
was working in the ditch (see attached sketch).

The British lorry did not stop.

From the examination of the case it appears as certain that the fault of
the accident is entirely the British driver.

(SGD) M. RUSSO General

per 18A

per 20A

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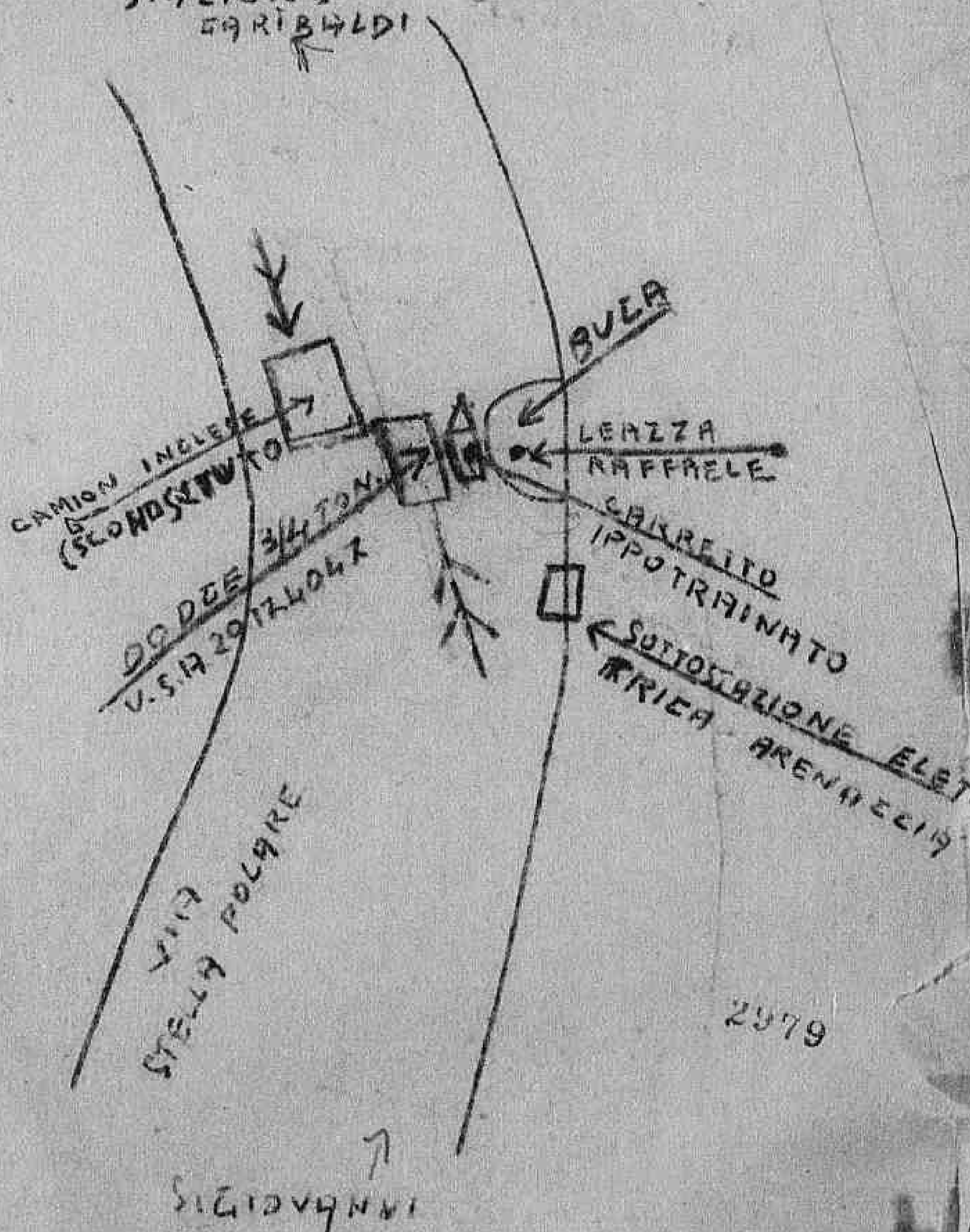
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GARIBOLDI



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REF FOLIO 23A FILE 50A9

12A

Subject :- Road AccidenTerritorial HQ
NAPLES
9/21/Segr

19 Jan 46

10 BLU.

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Reference your 9 AG dated 31 Dec 45.

1. The 757 Gen Tpt Coy. on whose strength was Pte BONIZZONI MARIO, has been disbanded on 11 Dec 45.
2. Attempts are being made to trace the unit on whose strength Pte BONIZZONI is actually held.

2578

9A4

Sgd. V.DONATO Lt-Col
Vice Chief of Staff

Subject :- Traffic Accident. *Lib*

11A
British Liaison Unit
Tel. 15744 NAPLES
9 AG

23 Jan 46

48 Claims & Hirings.

94
Reference your 48/50812/25/A of 18 Jan 46.

1. No trace of any correspondence relating to this traffic accident can be found in either our files or those of the previous Liaison Officer.
2. It is pointed out that 10 BLU only took over liaison duties in NAPLES on 20 Nov 45.

[Signature]
Lt-Col.
GS.

GAF
AJW/ec

48 CLAIMS AND HIRINGS
APO S 592
CMF.

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To:- Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) Naples.

Tel: NAPLES 53384.
Ref: 48/50812/25/A.
Date 18 Jan. 1946.

NO TRACE

SUBJECT:- Traffic Accident - 12 Aug. 45 - Salerno/Positano.

Reference A.F.A. 3676 submitted by you in respect of the above mentioned traffic accident.

May statements by the driver and witness, Major Cann and M. Corbay, respectively, please be obtained and forwarded to this office.

f. E. Jones

Major,
D.A.D. 48 Claims and Hirings.

WS/A

see 11A

2976

File
SUBJECT :- Traffic Accident

7A
10 BLU
Tel: NAPLES 15744
9 AG

Territorial HQ - NAPLES

31 Dec 45

Reference attached Traffic Accident Report.

1. This is forwarded for necessary action.

CMF
JIM/ajw

6A n/a

see 12A

[Signature]
Lt Col
GS

see 19A 5

TRANSMITTAL SLIPSUBJECT:- Traffic Accident - Via FlaminiaOFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL
ROME AREA / ALLIED COMMAND
Tel 478679To:- MCIA, HQ, 3. Distr.
HQ, UNRRA, ROME.
DAD, 53 Claims & Hirings, CME.Ref:- HM/TS/ 3/11/13The attached reports submitted by Sgt. BUTCHER, Cpl. HINNES, C.M. Police,
together with copy statements and sketch plan,

is/are forwarded for

Information

RIMLINE

Necessary action please

Investigation & report

Forward & return please

Onward transmission

Date:- 12 Dec 45

Signature:

Capt,
for Lt-Col,
Provost Marshal.
(R.P. Weeden).

see 7A

9HS

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24 DEC 1945

SUBJECT :- Traffic Accident. *File*

5 A
10 BLU
Tel: NAPLES 15744
9 AG

21 Dec 45

2 BLU
GENOA

1. A
Reference your A. 3/2 dated 13 Dec 45.

1. Attached is a copy of letter forwarded to this office by Camp Commandant 10 BLU in respect of the accident outlined in your a/m letter.

CMF
JRM/ajw

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Lt Col
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C O P YSUBJECT :- Traffic Accident.10 British Liaison Unit
Tel : NAPLES 11545
H/T/1DAA & GIG
10 British Liaison Unit20 Dec 45

Reference 2 BLU letter A 3/2 dated 13 Dec 45 re accident of 20 Oct 45.

1. DODGE 3 ton & X 2 No. L.4731718 is shown on our records as having been BLR'd by the "Officina Mobile MANTOVA" on 23 Oct 45 (Certificate No. 56/B), with what appears to be a broken radiator, twisted steering, bent frame, and w/s brakes. Part X Order was issued by us on 24 Oct 45 (No.7).
2. No trace can be found or reason given why this vehicle was being driven by NATALE SEBASTIANO of 104 S & T Coy MANTOVA, or on what duty he was going.

4 ACMF
PSV/wja(SGD) P. S. VOS Capt
Camp Commandant

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SUBJECT:- Traffic Accident.

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10 British Liaison Unit.
Tel : NAPLES 11545.
H/T/1.

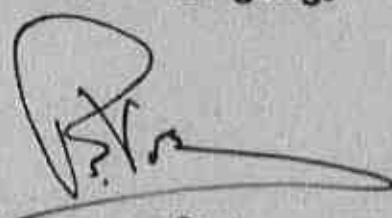
20 Dec 45.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.,
10 British Liaison Unit.

1-A
Reference 2 B.L.U. letter A 3/2, dated 13 Dec 45, re accident of 20 Oct 45.

1. DODGE 3-ton 4 x 2 No. L 4731718 is shown in our records as having been B.R'd by the "Officina Mobile Mantova" on 23 Oct 45 (Certificate No. 56/B), with what appears to be a broken radiator, twisted steering, bent frame, and u/s brakes. Part X Order was issued by us on 24 Oct 45 (No. 7).
2. No trace can be found or reason given why this vehicle was being driven by NATALE SEBASTIANO of 104 S & T Coy, MANTOVA, or on what duty he was going.

CMF.
PSV/wjs.


Capt.
Camp Commandant.

see 5A

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Subject: Traffic accident.

2 BLU,
GENOVA.
Tel: 52278
A 3/2
13 Dec 45

10 BLU,

Ref the att letter from 104 (MANTOVA) S&T Coy
and medical certificate.

1. The letter in question appears to be unnecessarily
offensive in its tone and it would therefore be appreciated if
full facts of the case could be received from you before dealing
with the matter.

2. It appears that 3-ton DODGE L 4731718 was on charge
to 56 BLU but that at the time of the accident was being driven
by a dvr from 104 S&T Coy, presumably on official loan, though
the coy denies all knowledge of this.

3. The trip concerned is taken to be the move of the
main body of 56 BLU to NAPLES.

See 4 A

See 5 A

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[Signature]

Major,
DAA&QMG.

10 BUJ.

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[Signature]

Major,
DAA&QMG.

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12 DEC 1951

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MANTOVA INF DIV
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10 Dec 45

HQ 76 DIV (1st Army) (Mantova) 10 Dec 45
HQ MANTOVA INF DIV (Office of the C of S and Sec)
Military Advisor at Mantova (1st Army) - LASELLA
Promoted Civil and Public Relations - GENOVA
HQ 99 Composite CO, III. Sec, attached to HQ
MANTOVA INF DIV

HQ 99 Composite CO, III. Sec, attached to HQ, Mantova, 10 Dec 45. Section attached to MANTOVA INF DIV, 10 Dec 45. Letter No. 4807/CA of the 20 Nov 45 has forwarded for information a preliminary report relative to a road accident which occurred on the 20 Oct 45 at about 1220hrs on the AURELIA highway at about 1 km from GENOVA involving DODGE truck 3 Ton No. L.4731718 belonging to your HQ, driven on that particular occasion by driver NATALE SEBASTIANO of Salvatore, of this unit.

In the accident, Miss SOLDI CAROLINA of Bartolomeo residing at ARENZANO, Via AURELIA No. 1, profession nurse, was run over and sustained suspected fracture of the base of the I metatars and an open wound in the inguinal region, considered curable in 30 days salvo complication, by the Medical Officer of the Civil Hospital SAN CARLO of GENOVA - VOLTRI.

As this accident involves a vehicle on charge to your HQ and proceeding in convoy with other vehicles not on the strength of this unit but for duties purposes attached to 56 BLU, the enquiry in question with the Territorial Military Authorities with a view to deciding the responsibility and damages is incumbent on your HQ, more so in view of the fact that it cannot be understood why driver NATALE was at the time driving Track DODGE 3 Ton No. L.4731718 in convoy with other vehicles of your HQ.

In view of the foregoing and as it is considered that further enquiries will be made by your HQ we are attaching a medical certificate to be included with the rest of the documents relating to this case. 2003

For your information please note that driver NATALE SEBASTIANO, born 1920, was demobilised on the 5 Dec 45 and is residing in S. STEFANO di CAMASTRE (Messina) via Manzoni 5.

(SGD) A. SEVERONI Major

SAN CARLO HOSPITAL OP
Via Camozzini 15
GENOA - VOLTRI

Tel: 409 119/170
21 Nov 45

It is certified that SOLDI CAROLINA of BARTOLOMEO was admitted to this Hospital on the 20 Oct 45 with fracture to the base of the I. Metatarsus, without dislocation, and open wound in the Inguinal region, with contusion of the right Glutea region.

(SGD) D. REPETTO

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