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ORDNANCE STORES3427  
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Dec. 1945 - Dec. 1946

Subject: Care & Maintenance of Arms & Ammun.

11 British Liaison Unit

Pal. 18372 PALERMO

Q/15

To : 10 B.L.U.

12 Dec 46

Ref. H.Q. M.M.I.A. letter SD/109 of 17 Oct. 46 and 139 Q of 19 Nov. 46.

Examination of arms and ammunition held by units in this Command has revealed great ignorance of maintenance and storing.

May it please be arranged that the ordnance officer of 10 B.L.U. be lent to this H.Q. for a short period for inspections, advice and report.

*W.D. Banks*

W.D. BANKS,  
Major,  
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.

WDP/SI  
C.M.F.

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

*Capt Clarke see me*  
*WDP*

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25 DEC 1946

10 BLU

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Telephone:  
489081 Ext. 401

LAND FORCES SUB-COMM, AC (LMIA) CMF

SD/109/3

17 Dec 46

LIST 'B'Subject: PIAT bombs

A case has occurred at a demonstration, recently, where a majority of PIAT bombs failed to explode on hitting the target. Will O.C. BLU's (less 4 BLU) report whether they have had similar occurrences, and if so, state the type of fuze that was being used at the time.

RNC/sb

*R. D. Channing*  
Lt-Col,  
GS, LMIA.

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23 DEC 1946

51A

SUBJECT :- Ammunition - Care and Maintenance10 British Liaison Unit  
POSSILIFO NAPLES  
Tele : 12060  
50 G30 Nov 46HQ  
10 Territorial Command

May the following information please be supplied to this HQ.

Quantities of British type ammunition by types, location and allotment.

For convenience it is suggested that this information should be supplied in the form given in Appendix 'A' attached.

CAF  
WAV/ecW. A. H. M.  
Lt col,  
G.S.

3487

Internal :-

Copy to :- 'Q' 2 —  
OED 4

Appendix 'A'

| Location             | Type                                                                     | Quantity                                         | Allocation                                                                    |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AVELLING<br>10 CAR   | .303 HP<br>.303 CP<br>.38 Pistol<br>2" Mor HE<br>2" Mor Sub<br>Gren "36" | 59000<br>102400<br>11000<br>4200<br>5700<br>5000 | ALL Trg Am                                                                    |
| Arm Depot<br>at<br>X | .303<br>.38<br>3" Mor HE                                                 | 500000<br>20000<br>49000                         | 250000 Reserve<br>50000 Practice<br>Reserve<br>40000 Reserve<br>9000 Practice |
| Arm Depot<br>at<br>X | 25 Pdr HE<br>17 Pdr AP BC<br>6 Pdr                                       | 55000<br>20000<br>20000                          | 50000 Reserve<br>5000 Practice<br>Reserve<br>10000 Reserve<br>10000 Practice  |
| IL/10 Regt RAFINS    | .303<br>2" Mor HE<br>3" Mor HE                                           | 100000<br>3000<br>2000                           | 50000 Reserve<br>50000 Practice<br>Reserve<br>Practice                        |
| etc                  | etc                                                                      | etc                                              | etc                                                                           |

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SUBJECT :- Allied Ammunition10 British Liaison Unit  
POSTILLIPO NAPLES  
Tele : 12060  
2 Q

21 Nov 46

10 Territorial Command  
NAPLES

1. Your file reference 2/4464/2, the position has now been clarified and the unmentioned action has been agreed upon.

British ammunition :- unless in dump already handed over to ARAR, may be disposed of by Italian Military authorities.

American ammunition:- should be reported or moved to  
Sig. LARUSSA  
U.I.M.E.R.  
ACERIA

who is foreman of the firm responsible for the clearing and demilitisation of the American dumps.

2. There is no longer any necessity to report any small quantities found, but they should be cleared immediately as above.

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CMF  
NWO/ea

*McClure*  
Capt.  
RACQ.

47A

SUBJECT : ~~Supplies for the~~ Italian Army. *Depots.*

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.  
M.M.I.A.  
R O M E  
Q.002

28 October 1946

TO : 3, 6, 8, 10 BIU

Attached copy of Ministry of War 1/3394/Serv, dated 17 Oct 46  
forwarded for your information.

*R.A. Curties*

R.A. CURTIES, Lt.Col.  
A.Q.M.G.

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/ra

Copy to: ORD  
REME

2.9  
31 OCT 1948



46A

SUBJECT : Disposal of French Arms.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.  
M.M.I.A.  
R O M E  
Q.155

31 October 1946

TO : War Ministry

Ref your 75165/17389 dated 25 Oct 46.

NO COPY  
H622

1. The French Military representative is Captain TUBET whose offices in Naples are with the firm of VISOGGA, San Giovanni.
2. Please confirm you have been able to contact this officer.

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*RdCunty 461*  
Major General,  
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: 10 R.L.U. ✓

RAC/ra

29  
23 NOV 1946

NAPLES TERRITORIAL MILITARY HQ.  
Services Off.

4517

File: -2/4464/2

Naples, 23 October 1946.

Subject: -Allied Ammunition laying in "PAGLIARONE" Acerra locality.

To: -10 B.L.U.

Torre del Greco.

On the farm called "Ciminiera" in the Pagliarone locality of Acerra owned by GIOVAGNONI, requisitioned by the Allies and used as an Ammunition Depot, there is a large number of American Ammunitions composed of thousands of 37 fixed tracing ammunition and several hundreds of 120mm air bombs.

Because of a robbery of ammunitions by unknown persons in the zone on 15 August 1946, a fire developed causing an explosion which resulted in the death of three persons and the wounding of other three persons.

An American Officer in service at the Forest of Acerra formally affirmed the personnel of the Direction of Artillery who had gone on the spot for investigation (and interested by Eng. Giovagnoni) that the removal of the ammunition and the clearing of the zone would be taken care of by the Allied HQ.

But as yet nothing has been accomplished.

Owing to the importance of the subject in question, it is please requested the B.L.U. to please ask the proper Allied Authorities as to whether they actually intend to provide for the removal of the a/m ammunition or whether they are of the opinion that this work comes under the operations of integral reclamation pertaining to the Italian Government/

by order

Col. E. Giordano

Chief of Staff

Trans. Capt/P:

SEE 50 Q FOR 10.63A

29 OCT 1946

23481







ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 13A

Call

Srl. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM  
(A)

Originator

Date Time of Origin

TO BRITISH LIAISON UNIT 21 1500

For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

HQ MMIA ROME

OASD WBLU

Originator's No.

2Q @ U/C @ REF YOUR Q/CS/H/I DATED  
18 OCT 46 PARA 4 @ NO REPEAT NO DEMANDS  
OUTSTANDING

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN

BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT

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BR. LIAISON





REQ FILE 500 FOLIO 10A

41A

NAPLES TERRITORIAL MILITARY COMMAND  
Services Office

File:-2/4229/2

Naples, 10 October 1946.

Subject:-Finding of explosive contrivances from Allied sources.To:- 10th B.L.U.Torre del Greco.

39A

Further to the letter ref 2/3841/2 dated 13 September 1946, it is informed that this HQ has been notified that 4 non lanced Air Bombs of the 525 pdr type have been found in the territory of the province of Benevento and exactly near the railroad tracks of the Naples-Foggia line, between the 93,500 and 99,145 Km.

None of these bombs are easily accessible by the ordinary road; owing to the nearness of the railroad tracks, it is considered advisable to use railway trucks for their removal.

As already notified, this HQ. is doing complete reclamation work, mopping up and finding of explosive contrivances in the territory under command, reason for which such information as the a/m is to be foreseen more frequently with the carrying on of the work.

Therefore, it is please requested to consider the issuing of new orders in reference to the removal of the Allied Ammunition material.

Trans.Capt/P.

by order 3476  
Col. Ettore Giordano  
Chief of Staff





ARMY FORM C-36 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

Register No. *20A*

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FROM  
(BY)

Originator

Date - Time of Origin

Date Stamp

*BRITISH LIAISON UNIT II IS*

For Action

*HQ MMIA ROME (CC SECTION)*

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

GR

Originator's No.

*200 RESTRICTED @ ARRANGEMENT FOR LOAN  
OF 150 AIRLIFTS TO CC BY DIRECTOR OF ARMY  
AGREED WITH TERRITORIAL HQ AND NAVIES  
LONDON INFORMED*

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ARMY FORM C213 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

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| FROM<br>(A)                                                 | Originator<br>10 32.2. | Date - Time of Origin<br>29 1500 | OFFICE USE STAMP<br>10 121. V. 16.<br>SIGNALS<br>Message Instructions GR |
| For Action<br>LAND FORCE 25-20000000 A.C., 20.1.1.1., 1000. |                        |                                  |                                                                          |
| TO                                                          |                        | (W) For Information (INFO)       |                                                                          |
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FILE

34A

SUBJECT: Gen. MAREVA Revision

to British Liaison Unit

THRU: Gen. Green  
To: Gen. Green

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25 May 66

1. NU2. NU

ADJ. GEN. MAREVA

DVA & Gen. MAREVACapt. Gen. MAREVA, Gen. MAREVA,  
Stores Section, Gen. MAREVA

1. I understand that some important clearance clerical work in connection with the MAREVA Revision is outstanding. I am therefore sending Sgt Green Sg/10 NU to assist to help.

2. Sgt Green is being held back from PTRE for this purpose. I hope that everything possible will be done to free him for PTRE with the minimum delay.

3. I suggest that Capt. Gould late A.C. Sg NU should be asked to assist with the work.

CSP  
RHC/cc

W. C.I.

J. H. C. I.

See 33A



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24 214

MEDY V IROF NR 6424 QVR 3  
FROM M.M.I.A. ~~241440B~~ 241440B  
TO 4 BLU -- 7 BLU -- 10 BLU

BT

Q.945 UNCLASSIFIED

29A

REF Q.101 16 MAY SUBJECT ACCOUNTING STOP HAVE YOU ANY FURTHER ~~INFORMATION~~  
~~THE~~ INFORMATION TO GIVE

BT

SENT NR 24 TJHG B 2 K

RCD NR 24 AFM AR K

See 35A Q2 25 MAY 1948

SUBJECT:- Issues of Motor Cycles.

A.D.O.S. HQ, M.M.I.A.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G. 10 B.L.U.

31A  
ORDINANCE OFFICER, 10 B.L.U.  
Tel:- 55802  
ORD 28  
24 MAY 46.

Reference by ORD 28 dated 13 APR 46.

1. The following Motor Cycles have been issued under S.M.H.E. authority:-  
8 EFFICIENT VEHICLES PARK, ROME quantity 24.
2. To date 109 Motor Cycles have been issued.
3. Further issues will be reported.

PRO/MS.

Q2  
WILLIAMS  
CAPT. RACE 346  
ORDINANCE OFFICER, 10 B.L.U.  
R.W. CLARKS.

25 MAY 1946















25A

Subject:- SPECIAL EQUIPMENT LISTS.

ORIGINATOR OFFICE, 10 B.L.U.

Tel: 20754

OED 20

16 MAR 46.

A.D.O.S. HQ M.M.I.A.

"Q" HQ M.M.I.A.

"Q" 10 B.L.U.

Reference your Q/107 dated 4 DEC 45 and 5 DEC 45  
and Q/CS/1/3 dated 9 MAR 46.

1. NIL RETURNS are rendered for the undermentioned Italian units:-

|                                          |     |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|
| ITALIAN ARTILLERY WORKS COY              | W/E | CM/1500/1 |
| ITALIAN INCREMENT TO GHQ CMF             | "   | CM/1526/1 |
| ITALIAN INCREMENT TO BASE DEPOT P.O."    |     | CM/1530/1 |
| ITALIAN INCREMENT TO GHQ., 2nd BATTALION |     | CM/1531/1 |

2. The other Italian units named on your Q/107 dated 4 & 5 DEC 45 are non existent and a NIL RETURN is not required.

/NO.

1-A 2/10

A. H. Davis

for ORIGINATOR OFFICER, 10 B.L.U.  
 M.M. BAYLE





Subject:- SPECIAL EQUIPMENT LIST.

23A  
ORDNANCE OFFICE, 10 B.L.U. (NAMES)  
Tel: 15784  
ORD 20  
16 FEB 46

H.Q., M.M.I.A. ROME.

Copy to: D.A. A. & Q.M.G. 10 B.L.U. —

Reference your Q 107 dated 4 DEC and 5 DEC 45.

1. Special Equipment Lists were requested from GHQ who passed the request to D.O.S. for the units mentioned in the above quoted letters.
2. D.O.S. pointed out that S.E.L.'s have not been prepared for the units mentioned. The only unit which requires Technical Equipment and for which an S.E.L. will be prepared is the Italian Artisan Works Coy on W.E. CM/1500/1. The remainder of the units do not require Technical Equipment and their only entitlement will be domestic equipment in accordance with Basic Equipment List Ref. 6508/7/Q(AE), a copy of this has been obtained.
3. Do you require lists of proposed equipment in addition to Basic Equipment List Entitlement 6508/7/Q(AE).

FAM/HG.

Q2

4.2. May  
CAPT. 7  
for ORDNANCE OFFICE, 10 B.L.U.

F.A. MURRAY 3457  
7 FEB 1946





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5. General.

Before 15 NOV 45 stores from ALLIED SOURCES were the concern of the British Liaison Unit to 5(MANTOVA) I.C.G. and therefore could be written off and brought on charge as NORMAL USAGE. On and after 15 NOV 45 all stores actually HELD repeat HELD in practice and not just on paper were the concern of 5(MANTOVA) I.C.G. Therefore all stores issued before 15 NOV were put against NORMAL WASTAGE. It is pointed out that at all times under authority of Chief of Staff, 5(MANTOVA) I.C.G. have been allowed to draw stores on proper Issue Notes that this was not carried out as seen from the above mentioned letters, the fault lies with the issuing units, who even now can quite simply strike them off charge and not require lengthy questions & answers.

DEMB/HC.

*H. M. Davis*  
MAJOR  
For ORILANCE OFFICE, 10 B.L.U. (NAPLES)  
H.M. DAVIS

8455

21A

Subject:- SPECIAL EQUIPMENT LISTS.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, 10 B.L.U.

Tel: 15781

ORD 20

6 FEB 46.

H.Q., M.M.I.A. Rome.

Copy to:- D.A.A. &amp; Q.M.G. 10 BLU.

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Reference M.M.I.A. Letters Q107 dated 5 DEC 45 and 4 DEC 45.

1. This office requested from Territorial Command, Naples to contact units listed in the above referenced letters to complete the forms forwarded by M.M.I.A. for suggested additional equipment to Basic Equipment List Entitlement.
2. Territorial Command replied that they did not quite know what an S.E.L. was and that the units also did not know to what Ordnance stores they were entitled.
3. A representative visited Territorial Command and explained as far as possible what was required and promised to obtain copies of S.E.L.'s.
4. These units were originally administered by U.S. Army and it was explained that their Ordnance system differed to the British system which accounts for the difficulties encountered.
5. As soon as the required information is obtained it will be forwarded to your office.
6. Delay is regretted by this office.

/BG.

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3454  
H. M. DavieMAJOR  
For ORDNANCE OFFICE, 10 B.L.U.  
H.M. DAVIE

7 FEB 1946







































































