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MEMORANDUM

Ordnance Branch of B.L.U.
att. R.T.C. I.C.F.
Ref. ORD 12/3.

7 Feb 45.

To: D.A.A. & Q.M.G. Br. inc R.T.C. I.C.F.

1. Object of memorandum: To explain briefly the assumed responsibilities and suggested procedure of the Ord Branch of the B.L.U. attached to R.T.C. I.C.F.
2. Responsibilities: To advise and assist the Italian Military staff of the R.T.C. in the provision, storage and distribution of British Ordnance Stores and to carry out the policy laid down through British Staff channels in that respect.

3. Procedure.

(a) The D.A.D.O.S. is at the disposal of the British Staff of the B.L.U. for advice on all Ordnance matters, and to act as the intermediary between the R.T.C. and higher Ordnance Directorates and Depots. Demands for Ordnance Stores for all reinforcements, training wings, auxiliary units and the re-equipping of units or formations under R.T.C. arrangements, should be passed to D.A.D.O.S. for his action. In this matter it should be remembered that the time lag between normal demands and receipt of Ord Stores is likely to be 3 - 4 weeks.

(b) When a B.C.W.O. is available he will act as the D.A.D.O.S.'s deputy and contact local and attached Italian Units and the sub-formations of the R. T. C. to help and advise with any problems concerning Ordnance Stores and equipment.

(c) R.A.O.C. Storemen should also be available to give assistance in the R.T.C. Central Storehouse to help with the receipt of stores and checking and sorting against correct designations, and maintaining storehouse accounting on British lines and in parallel with the Italian accounting of the O I/c stores. It is also proposed that as far as possible the storage of equipment should follow British methods.

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- (d) Regarding the issue of Stores it is assumed that, within the R.T.C. and to clothes and equip reinforcements, the present will be continued whereby the Divisional Staff controls the distributor to the various sub - formations by release notes to the O i/c Central Storehouse. In which case it is suggested that copies of these release notes should always be sent to D.A.D.O.S. for his information.

On the other hand, although no rule appears as yet to be laid down it is assumed that requirements of other Units, such as Italian G.F. Coys, who do not actually form part of the R.T.C. but are attached for duty, and likewise the requirements originating from B.I.U. sources, will be made direct to D.A.D.O.S. and when available the stores will be issued by him. Some classification however is required on that point.


M. W. JEFFERY.
D.A.D.O.S.

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SUBJECT :- Policy and Procedure for Demand and Collection of Stores from Central Storehouse RFC.

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Date 27 Feb	FNo 216
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BLU RFC 107,
Ref UED/12/8

27 Feb 45.

BLU RFC 107.

The following suggestions are put forward to implement paragraph 1 of your 07/173/8/Coma di prot dated 14 Feb 45.

1. That all Regiments, Training and Instructional Schools, and Units should submit their demands for Clothing and Personal Equipment to your HQ by Saturday of each week.
2. That these demands should cover items by item, all actual requirements to complete all actual personnel to full scale (see H.C.I., Tables 1 and 72), and also cover the anticipated requirements for new arrivals a week ahead.
3. That these demands should be passed to DADCS BLU for release from Central Storehouse.
4. That Regiments, Schools and Units should draw the Stores released to them each week as under :-

1st Regiment	Tuesdays.
2nd Regiment	Wednesdays.
3rd Regiment	Thursdays.
All others	Fridays.

5. That Regiments, Schools and Units having drawn their stores as in paragraph 4, redemand in full all items not received, on the next Saturday.

6. By this method it is hoped that a reserve will always be held by Regiments.

Your comments on the above will be appreciated, together with any further suggestions. If you agree, it is proposed that same such procedure should be made effective forthwith.

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M. W. JEFFREY
MAJOR
DALCOS.

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(C O P Y)

SUBJECT : Mantova Gruppo

Allied Force Headquarters

Tele No. Freedom 518

AFHQ/6442/Q(AE)

21 Feb 45

Ord (Br)

The completion date for equipment of the 5th (Mantova) Gruppo has been fixed at 31 Mar 45.

Will you please arrange that between now and 15 Mar 45 Depots meet demands from the B.L.U. on a priority next below Armies.

From 15 Mar 45 to 31 Mar 45 remaining unsatisfied indents from the Gruppo are to receive first priority.

(sgd) J.J. SLOAN, Lt. Col.,
for Brigadier,
Q(AE).

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SUBJECT: Mantova Gruppo

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LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.N. L.A.)

3/8/29/28
26 February 45

TO : 56 ELJ
RLD B7C ISW CRESANO

Enclosed herewith find copy of AFHQ letter AFHQ/GAR/9(AR)
dated 21 Feb 45, subject :- Mantova Gruppo.

R. G. A. Bunch-Raines
for Major General Capt
M.N. L.A.

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SUBJECT: Rifles.

Y MAJ. IRET. ICP.

Ref: AG/2/1/125.

23 March 1945.

To: H.Q.
R.T.O., I.C.P.

1. All rifles now issued to Regiments will be issued to individuals as personal weapons and will be taken by the individual when posted away.
2. A small pool of rifles, not more than 100 per Regiment, will be held at each Regiment in order to equip any man going forward who has not previously received a rifle.
3. A return will be sent to D.A.D.C.S. at the same time as the Clothing and Equipment return showing:--
 - (a) Number of rifles at beginning of week.
 - (b) Number of rifles received from D.A.D.C.S. during week.
 - (c) Number of rifles gone forward with reinforcements during week.
 - (d) Rifles on hand at end of week.

Major H.A.
IMA & Co.

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Subject: Demands for Or. Stores.

Y: BLU, IRTC., ICF.
OED/12/23
28 MAR 45.

IMAGING IP: BLU, IRTC., ICF.

INFO: HQ., IRTC., ICF.

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2. It is understood from H.Q., I.R.T.C., I.C.F. that all Italian units and regiments under their administration have been instructed to refer all such matters to them, and of course this is the proper procedure.
3. To ensure that only one channel of demand is effective, and in order to avoid confusion, duplication and misunderstanding, I would appreciate that the attention of all British officers be called to these remarks, and that Italian units approaching them on the subject of Ordnance Stores be advised emphatically that H.Q., I.R.T.C., I.C.F. is the one and only correct higher authority for their queries and demands.
4. In future, no demands for Ordnance Stores will be accepted by me from units, schools and regiments without the prior knowledge and consent of H.Q., I.R.T.C., I.C.F.

(Signature)

M. S. JEFFERY,
Major,
MADOS.

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M. W. JEFFERY,
Major,
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Subject: Procedure, Ordnance Services, I.B.T.C., I.C.F.

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H.Q., I.B.T.C., I.C.F.

Info: DAB/2/2, I.B.T.C., I.C.F.

1. The object of this memorandum is to outline the procedure recommended for I.B.T.C., I.C.F., and governing the demand, receipt, storage and distribution of British Ordnance Stores.
2. This has partly been done before, but during the past two months several points of routine have been developed to satisfy local circumstances, and it is felt that this is an opportune moment to regularise these and to tie up the present procedure making a few additional recommendations to perfect it.
3. As long as stores are provided from British Ordnance Services, only slight variations, due probably to the current supply situation, need be expected in the procedure as now recommended.

A. GENERAL PRINCIPLES BY OBSERVATIONS.

- (i) Appendix A is a list by Vocabulary Sections and in general outline of the stores issued by British Ordnance. This is purely for general information.
- (ii) Units are not authorised to demand stores in their sections just as and when they please, but are limited to items to which they are entitled either on the
 - (a) Normal equipment lists (Tables 1-74) which are applicable to all units and provide the scale of issues according to the establishment of vehicles, weapons and personnel. For example, all troops are clothed according to Table 72 and equipped according to Table 1, all motor-cyclists are entitled to protective clothing as in Table 17, the scale of cleaning equipment for mortars is contained in Table 7, etc. etc.
 - (b) Special Equipment Lists, which differ according to each type of unit, and provide special stores essential to that type of unit but not necessarily to others, e.g. S.G.L. 165/1 applies only to a Field Hospital.
- (iii) Units of course are entitled to demand any item not specifically mentioned in either H.J.L.'s or S.G.L.'s provided it is genuinely required to repair a weapon or vehicle, and for general unit maintenance, as for example nails, dabbins and other expendable stores.
- (iv) Within any formation or depot there will obviously be some items which are in constant demand and others only required from time to time and in small quantities. For instance, clothing is a constant and universal demand, but a set of drawing instruments or a gear-box for a Dodge truck will be demanded comparatively rarely.
- (v) In the British Army, in the field, the situation has therefore arisen to divide the demand of Ordnance Stores into two general categories: Bulk items and Unit items. These are irrespective of Vocabulary Sections and selected only by the frequency of requirements.
- (vi) Bulk items are those constantly in demand, and for your guidance, a List as at Appendix B, has been drawn up as applicable to all units and regiments of I.B.T.C., I.C.F.
- (vii) Unit items are all other stores.

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- (vii) Unit items are all other stores.
- (viii) Bulk and Unit items, as will be seen below, provide a basis upon which the general procedure of demand, storage and distribution can be effected.

B. DETAILS.

- (i) It is very desirable that all demands from units and regiments should be submitted to HQ. I.C.F. and not direct to DADG 'F' HQ. This is a point already mutually agreed.
- (ii) It is strongly recommended that all units and regiments recognise and appreciate the general observations as set out in A (i) to (viii) above.

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- (iii) Demands should be governed by these observations.
- (iv) As already explained, all items listed in Appendix B are Bulk Items. The procedure already governing clothing and equipment should be made applicable to all other bulk items in Appendix B.
- (v) Units and regiments should therefore demand all these items in bulk weekly, every Saturday. Whatever has not been collected, for whatever reason, from the Central Storehouse during the week, should be included on the next Saturday's demand. Thus, all bulk ~~demands~~ are dead after seven days.
- (vi) HQ, ITC, ICF, having approved unit and regiment bulk demands pass them to DADOS for counter-signature and the stores are drawn from the Central Storehouse on the days allotted to units and regiments.
- (vii) For all other stores a slightly different procedure is essential. Because of their diversity and the comparatively small demand per item, they will not normally be stocked in the Central Storehouse.
- (viii) Therefore, HQ, ITC, ICF, should pass such demands to DADOS as and when they are submitted by units and regiments. A copy of each demand should be retained by the unit for its information.
- (ix) DADOS then prepares issue orders on Base layout or relevant source of supply, and when the stores arrive (probably about three weeks later) the unit collects from Central Storehouse.
- (x) The unit redemands such stores only if they have not been received after 10 weeks. It is important that this should be fully understood and these items not confused with Bulk demands.

C. COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION.

- (i) Units collect Bulk stores from Central Storehouse on the day of the week allotted by HQ, ITC, ICF.
- (ii) The distribution of Bulk stores per unit will depend upon the approval of HQ, ITC, ICF, and the counter-approval of DADOS, governed by the availability of Free Stocks and priorities.
- (iii) It is recommended that units awaiting Unit items call at the Central Storehouse regularly, at least on their allotted days, to enquire whether any unit stores are awaiting their collection.
- (iv) It is not proposed to notify units of the arrival of unit stores unless the need is known to be urgent, or units have failed to call within seven days of arrival of stores.
- (v) A receipt will be given by unit representatives for all stores collected from Central Storehouse.

D. THE STORES ACCOUNTS.

- (i) It is recommended that the present allocation of sheds be continued, i.e. one shed for receipts, three sheds for clothing, equipment and general stores, one shed for training equipment (under the control of T.S.O.).
- (ii) As at present, the receipt of all Ordnance stores should be supervised by British personnel. This course has been found preferable owing to the frequency of queries and also discrepancies. It is suggested however, that at least one British S.O. or senior S.O. should be available to work alongside the British Staff, and so become accustomed to the procedure and work involved.
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- (iii) After receipt and checking of packages, Bulk items should be transferred to the Italian Officer i/c Central Storehouse. A temporary receipt can be given by the latter on A.B.106, and an accounting voucher can afterwards be prepared by DABCS, two copies sent to Officer i/c Central Storehouse who returns one to DABCS as an official receipt with any remarks as to discrepancies, damage etc.
- (iv) For Unit items, a separate bay can be allotted in the receipts shed. Units collect these stores direct. An Italian N.C.O. should be made available to work alongside the British N.C.O. for this purpose.
- (v) It will follow therefore, that the three sheds under the direct supervision of Officer i/c Central Storehouse will be stocked with Bulk items only.

A. RETURNED STORES.

ALL ITEMS OF ORDNANCE STORES which are worn out or no longer serviceable, or which are no longer required whatever their condition, should be returned by units without delay.

The British S.C.O.I/o Receipts will supervise a Returned Stores Dump (refer to in brief as R.S.D.) and will give a receipt for all stores so returned.

Unserviceable items should not be held by Officer i/o Central Storehouse, and any such stores should be returned by him to S.S.D. Arrangements will then be made by S.S.D. for backloading to Base.

B. PROVISION.

S.S.D. will take automatic provision action on behalf of HQ, I.M.S. Coy. to maintain a stock of Bulk items in the Central Storehouse, sufficient on an average to meet a fortnight's requirements.

Provision action for Unit items will be strictly according to individual demands by units.

C. CLADDING REPAIRS.

- (i) S.S.D.'s and S.S.L.'s have been demanded for further distribution and with the object of providing all units with them as far as possible.
- (ii) Translations will have to be effected locally.
- (iii) When demanding Ordnance Stores is particularly important that the correct item is asked for. It would be very much appreciated if this point were strongly emphasized and units must quote the correct vocabulary section and number when indenting for stores. Language difficulties are appreciated, but code the Italian equivalents are made against the English lists, item by item, there should be no difficulty for a clerk to copy letter by letter the English designations. This is not so important with Bulk items where familiarity due to continuous handling makes both Italian and British stores personnel acquainted with the bi-lingual designations, but it is absolutely essential with Unit items.
- (iv) There are literally thousands of individual items in the Ordnance Vocabulary, and an incorrect designation with the absence of a part number makes it impossible for those concerned to recognise exactly what is wanted.
- (v) Certain stores are required for repair work and local manufacture. It is not for me to suggest how and where such work should be undertaken, but in view of the static and permanent nature of this Centre I hope that the aim will be for centralisation. For example, Vehicle repairs, Textile repairs, Boot repairs, Carpentering, etc. when these things are organised. As an interested party in the distribution of materials required, I suggest it would be far more economical for each type of work to be centralised with one unit, especially as some items are difficult to obtain and in short supply. For example, to ration out 50 lbs. of paint among, say, fifteen units, would be far more wasteful and less efficient than to issue it all to one unit which has the sole responsibility for painting vehicles and signs for the whole Centre. I offer this merely for your consideration, it is not an Ordnance matter, and my advice is prejudiced entirely by the consideration and wishes of supply.
- (vi) Finally, if there are any queries arising from this memorandum, please approach at

Z. PROVISION.

MAINS will take automatic provision action on behalf of HQ. IFFC. CG. to maintain a stock of Bulk items in the Central Storehouse, sufficient on an average to meet a fortnight's requirements.

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G. CLOSING REMARKS.

- (i) M. S. L. 's and S. L. 's have been demanded for further distribution and with the object of providing all units with them as far as possible.
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- (vi) Finally, if there are any queries arising from this memorandum I please myself at your disposal entirely, to explain them.

(Signature)
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M. S. JEFFREY,
Major,
MAJOR '7' MAJ.

APPENDIX B

LIST OF VOCABULARY ADDITIONS.

NOTE 8. TERMS.

- A.1. Apparatuses & Medical Instruments *Ms.*
- A.2. Anti-Gas Stores.
- C.3. Bicycles.
- D.1. Harness, Saddlery and Pack Saddlery.
- D.2. Horseshoes and Nails.
- E.1. Cars & Wagons.
- E.2. Bridging Equipment. ----- R. S. Supply.
- E.3. Lifting & Transporting Apparatus, Targates.
- E.4. Vessel & Boat equipment. ----- R. A. S. G. Motor Boat Stores Supply.
- E.5. Railway stores. ----- P. S. (In) Supply.
- F. Tools & workshop equipment.
- G.1. Ironmongery.
- G.2. Metals.
- H.1. Oils, Paints, Chemicals & their Containers.
- H.2. Cordage & Textile material.
- H.3. Timber.
- H.4. Packages.
- J.1. Camp Equipment.
- J.2. Portable Cookers & Cooking Equipment.
- J.3. Cinematographic Apparatus & Stores.
- J.4. Photographic.
- K. Barracks & Hospital Equipment.
- L.4. Furniture & Woodwork.
- K.B. Relatoids & their Components.
- L.C. Games, Recreation, Gymnastics & Textile Articles.
- L.D. Crockery & Glassware.
- L.E. Brooms, Brushes, Lamps, Coalboxes, Garden Implements, Hoisting Machines, Safes, Scales, etc.
- L.F. Disassembled & Stalled Household Utensils.
- L.G. Fire Engines, Trailers, Fire Pumps, Extinguishers & Fire Fighting Appliances.
- L.H. Barrages & Trucks.

NOTE 9. TERMS.

- A.1. Small Arms & their Components.
- A.2. Small Arms Accessories, Tools & Packages.
- B.3. Carbines & Pistols Automatic.
- C.1. Machine Gun Mountings & their Apparatuses for Ground Service Use. *A.S.Us.*
- C.2. " " " "
- M.1. Mortars & their Mountings.
- M.2. A.A. & Aerodrome Defence Guns & Mountings.
- M.3. Common Artillery Spares.
- M.4. Stores Special to inspecting Officers.
- M.1. Guns & Field Artillery (Guns & Carriages).
- M.2. 3.7 How & Carriages.
- M.3. Tank or Anti-Tank Guns & A/Tk. Carriages.
- O. Medium Artillery Guns & Carriages.
- P.1. Heavy Artillery (Field Army) Guns & Carriages.
- F.2. Coast Artillery Guns & Mountings.
- F.1. Fire Control Instruments, & Associated Stores for Coast Artillery.
- M.2. Survey & Levelling Instruments & Tables.

APPENDIX A (Contd.)

TABLE 9 STORES (Contd.)

- Y. Signal Stores - Line & Visual.
 - L-1. Wireless Sets & Associated Stores.
 - L-2. Signal Stores - Variable Secondary Batteries, Charging Sets, Power Units, Engines, Generators, Testing Apparatus, Measuring Sets, etc.
 - Q-1. U-communications, Am. Packages, Explosives, Magazine Stores, etc.
 - L.V.1. Cavalry Infantry & Medium Tanks & Medium Dragons.
 - L.V.2. Light Tanks, Light Dragons & Carriers.
 - L.V.3. Engines & Commercial Assemblies for 'A' Vehicles.
 - L.V.4. Armament Mountings & their Appendances for Mech. Vehicles.
 - L.V.5. Armoured Cars & Jeeps.
 - L.V.6. Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment Parts for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.
 - M.I.1. Misc. Stores Proprietary Assemblies.
 - M.I.2. Misc. Tools, Schematics & Contents of Tool Chests.
 - M.I.3. Saws, Glasses, Hoses, Mirrors, Trafficators & Electrical Machines.
 - M.I.4. Dynamos, Starter Motors, Secondary Batteries & Electrical Machines.
 - M.I.5. Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Screws, Studs, Washers.
 - M.I.6. Rubber Hose, Tyro Repair & Vulcanising Material, etc.
 - M.I.7. Bearings, Ball & Roller.
 - M.I.8. Coils, Ignition, Distributors, Magnets & Magnets.
 - M.I.9. Power Machinery, Pumps.
 - M.I.10. Metals & Metal Tapping. Solders & Soldering Material.
 - M.I.11. Drivng Chains.
 - M.I.12. Carburetors, Carburetors, Filters air, Filters Petrol, Governors, Injection (Pumps).
 - M.I.13. Attachments Towing, Body Mounts, Couch Material & Covers. Waterproof.
 - M.I.14. Covers, Tubes, Valves & Fowels.
 - M.I.15. Special Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment. Parts for 'A' Vehicles only.
 - M.3. Miniature Ranges.
 - C.I. Parts Lists Literature for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.
 - L.V.7. 15' Soldiers.
- GROUP 7 STORES - CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES (INCLUDING FOOTWEAR).
- C-4. Materials - Woolens etc. Cotton, Linen, Silk, etc. Trimmings etc. Sewings.
 - C-5. Buttons, Hooks & Eyes, etc. Articles, Badges, Curtains Ties.
 - C-6. Special Badges & Ties for the Territorial Army.
 - C-7. Accessories & Cognate Articles. Boots, Shoes, etc. Sailors' Tools, Bootmakers' Tools & Materials. Caps, Coats, Socks.
 - C-8. Colours, Uniforms, Standards. Hospital Clothing.
 - C-9. Bonnets, Caps, Hats, Helmets, etc.
 - C-10. Services Dress Orders, etc.
 - C-11. Khaki Drill Garments. (Miscellaneous Magazine & Waterproof Clothing, overalls, etc.)
 - C-12. Anti-Gas Clothing.
 - C-13. Clothing.
 - C-14. Officers' Clothing & Accessories.

1.7.6. Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment Parts for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.

- M.T.1. Misc. Stores Proprietary Assemblies.
- M.T.2. Misc. Tools, Schedules & Components of Cool Cores.
- M.T.3. Suits, Glasses, Horns, Mirrors, Trafficators & Underarm Pipes.
- M.T.4. Dynamos, Starter Motors, Secondary Batteries & Electrical Supplies.
- M.T.5. Bolts, Nuts, Screws, Studs, Washers.
- M.T.6. Rubber Hose, Tyre Repair & Puncturing Material, etc.
- M.T.7. Bearings Ball & Roller.
- M.T.8. Coils, Ignition, Distributors, Magnamos & Regulators.
- M.T.9. Power Machinery, Mumps.
- M.T.10. Metals & Metal Tubing. Soldiers & Solding Material.
- M.T.11. Driving Chains.
- M.T.12. Autovacs, Carburetors, Filters Air, Filters Petrol, Governors, Injection (Pumps).
- M.T.13. Attachments Trings, Body Filaments, Coach Material & Covers. Atarcorol.
- M.T.14. Covers, Tubes, Valves & Shields.
- M.T.15. Special Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment. Parts for 'A' Vehicles only.
- M.S. Miniature Engines.
- C.T. Parts Lists Literature for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.

L.V.7. 'A' Vehicles.

MOSS 7 STORES - CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES (INCLUDING FOOTWEAR).

- C.A. Materials - Woollens etc.
Cotton, Linen, Silk, etc.
Trimmings etc.
Sewings.
Buttons, Hooks & Eyes, etc.
Buttons, Badges, Chevrons Titles.
Special Badges & Titles for the Territorial Army.
- C.C. Necessaries & Cognate Articles.
- C.D. Boots, Shoes, etc.
Fallora' Tools, Shoemakers' Tools & Materials.
Capses, Coats, Overcoats.
Colours, Uniforms, Standard.
Hospital Clothing.
- C.F. Bonnets, Caps, Hats, Helmets, etc.
- C.G. Services Dress Garmants, etc.
- C.H. Khaki Drill Garmants.
(Miscellaneous Garmants & Waterproof Clothing, overalls, etc.)
- C.I. Anti-Gas Clothing.
- C.L. A.T.S. Clothing.
- C.M. Officers' Clothing & Necessaries.

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APPENDIX D.

LIST OF BLK ITEMS

Personal Equipment	Table 1
Helmets	" " 4
Cleaning Material, Mortars	" " 7
Protective Clothing, Vehicles	" " 16 & 17
Cleaning Materials for Small Arms	" " 21
Clothing, Prophylactic	" " 32
Butchery & Cooking Implements	" " 5
Personal Clothing & Equipment	" " 72
Stores for Unit Sanitation	" " 15
" Anti-gas Clothing	" " 74
Rifles & their Accessories	" " 3

SECTION B.

PA	Items	Units
16655	Large Black Hand Blades Plus 12"	" "
16656	" " " " " " " " " " "	" "
16657	" " " " " " " " " " "	" "
16658	" " " " " " " " " " "	" "
16659	" " " " " " " " " " "	" "

SECTION C-1.

CA	Items	lbs
0622	Nails size 1 1/2"	" "
0624	" " size 2"	" "
0625	" " size 2 1/4"	" "
0626	" " size 3"	" "
0627	" " size 4"	" "

SECTION B-1.

BA	Items	Units
0075	Durbin	" "
0077	Mineral Jelly G.S.	" "
0024	Seesaw	" "
0121	Oil Min. Hydraulic Buffer	" "
0143	Oil C-70	" "
0302	Oil V-80	" "
0045	Soap Yellow (in reported 16 oz. bars)	" "
0046	Cloth Mesh No. 2 Milling	" "
0047	" " " 2 Coarse	" "
0048	" " " 2 7/8" Fine	" "
0053	Cloth Mesh No. 2 Milling	" "
0055	" " " 3 Coarse	" "

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Cinquent, Trophy/Ascelo
 Butchery & Cooking Implements
 Personal Clothing & Equipment
 Stores for Unit Sanitation
 Attire-clothing
 Rifles & their Accessories

12
 5
 72
 15
 7 1/2
 3

SECTION 1.

PA 16655 Gun Neck Band Hinges Fine 12"
 16656 " " " Medium 9"
 16657 " " " Medium 12"
 16658 " " " Coarse 3"
 16659 " " " Coarse 12"
 16660 " " " Fine 9"

White
 Shells

SECTION 2.1.

GA 0622 Shells size 1 1/2"
 0624 Shells size 2"
 0625 Shells size 2 1/2"
 0626 Shells size 3"
 0627 Shells size 4"

Lbs
 " " " " " " " "

SECTION 2.2.

ALL Paints

MA 0075 Dabbin
 0076 Mineral Jelly G.S.
 0077 Seaxmax
 0078 Oil Min- Synthetic Buffer
 0079 Oil G-70
 0080 Oil E-80
 0081 Soap Yellow (is reputed 16 oz. bars)
 0082 Cloth Heavy No. 2 1/2 dilling
 0083 " " " 2 Coarse
 0084 " " " 2 1/2" Fine
 0085 Cloth Glass No. 2 dilling
 0086 " " " No. 3 Coared
 0087 " " " No. 1 Fine
 0088 Oil 2 1/2"

Lbs
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 Cans
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 Bars
 Shells
 " " " " " " " "
 Galls.
 Cans.

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SECTION 2.2.

HE 0051 Bags Cottons Old
 0052 Cotton waste Coloured
 0053 " " " White

Cans.
 " " " " " " " "

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SUBJECT: Supplies - Reserve Stocks.

'F' H.M. I.C.F. I.C.F.

Ref: 9/2/1/169

29 Mar. 45.

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To: H.Q.
H.T.C., I.C.F.

1. H.Q., H.M.I.A. has authorized, subject to review on 1 Sept. 45, a reserve of 75,000 balanced rations to be maintained at H.T.C., I.C.F.

2. Arrangements are also being made to increase normal pack delivery to 15,000 to cover the garrison at Viterbo.

[Handwritten Signature]
Major H.C.
DCA & G.H.

AMG/ah.

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APPENDIX B (Contd.)

NO. OF QTY.

CD	Description	Unit
1327	Corsted wool Military Grey 7-oz. Balls	Singles
2372	Needles Housewives, pkts.	"
2373	Needles Seeding	"
2571	" Darning	Dozens
2581	Rings Split Knives Small	Singles
4583	Knives Needlework	Dozens
1356	Buckles H.P. Shorts L.D.	Singles
1357	Buckles H.P. with Teeth	Singles
5158	Buckles H.P. Progress	Singles
5079	Buttons rubber for shirts tropical	"
2198	Buttons Brass 4-hole	"
1311	Thread Sewing Dark Arab 50 yd reels	"

SECTION C C. (Continued)

CD	Description	Unit
1217	Wools Balls Black	Singles
1224	Wool Grey Black	"
1367	Wools Tip Ball 1 1/2-lb	lbs
1431	Rivets Iron 1/4", 1 x 17	"
1632	" 3/8-in, 1 x 17	"
1389	Nails Tip Top 1/2-in	"
1443	Scissors 1/2-in	pairs
1489	Bales H/P Mens Size 1	"
1670	" 2	"
1471	" 3	"
1361	Lights Men Size 1	"
1362	" 2	"
1605	Snicks Woery	"
1532	Tip Pullers 2 1/2-in	Singles
1533	" 3-in	Pairs
1534	" 3 1/2-in	"
1535	" 3-in	"
1552	Tip Iron Boot Heel 2 1/2-in	"
1553	" 3-in	"
1554	" 3 1/2-in	"
1555	" 3-in	"
1573	Tip Iron Boot Toe 2 1/2-in	"
1574	" 3-in	"
1575	" 3 1/2-in	"
1576	" 3-in	"
1605	Singles	lbs
1363	Lights Men Size 3	Pairs

1330 Buckles W.D. Iron
 2079 Buttons rubber for skirts tropical
 2126 Buttons Brass 4-hole
 1311 Sewing Spring Cork web 50 #1 reels

SECTION D D (Original)

ID	Description	Quantity
1217	Nails Balls Black	lb
1204	Line Dry Black	"
1307	Nails Cap Nail 1/2-in	"
1431	Screws Iron 1 x 17	"
1432	" " 1/2-in, 1 x 17	"
1359	Nails Tap Toe 1/2-in	"
1449	Screws 1/2-in	"
1459	Soles W/P Mens Size 1	"
1470	" " " 2	"
1471	" " " 3	"
1301	Lifts Men Size 1	"
1362	" " " 2	"
1465	Sticks Navy	"
1332	Tap Fillings 2 1/2-in	"
1333	" " 3/4-in	"
1334	" " 3/8-in	"
1335	" " 3/4-in	"
1332	Waps Iron Boot Heal 2 1/2-in	"
1333	" " " 3/4-in	"
1334	" " " 3/8-in	"
1335	" " " 3/4-in	"
1373	Tap Iron Boot Toe 2 1/2-in	"
1374	" " " 3/4-in	"
1375	" " " 3/8-in	"
1376	" " " 3/4-in	"
1605	Nails	lb
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[Handwritten Signature]

E.W. JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject: Demands for Stores.

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Info: W.A. & JAG,
W.P. 220.

Lt. B.L.H.,
T.R.T.S. I.C.S.,
c/o Land Forces Sub-Com.,
AG Para House.

Ref. OMB/12/44.
April 10 1945.

[Handwritten initials]

Ref. my OMB/12/29 of 2nd April 1945.

1. It seems that the contents of this memorandum on Ordnance procedures are not fully understood or appreciated by units of the IOP.
2. With the partial exception of obtaining and equipment which units have been issuing in bulk weekly, there has been little evidence of any attempt to follow a proper system of demand.
3. Demands are brought to me nearly every day for such items as paint, nails, accommodation stores, clothing etc required, almost invariably, "at once", on the pretext of urgency and to meet unexpected requirements.
4. There is a tendency to demand certain stores only when the need has become acute and to expect instant service. I suspect that the Central Storehouse is locked upon as a sort of wonderful big shop which can supply any article at any time.
5. There is also a tendency to ask for stores because they are known to be in the Storehouse, and without any consideration as to whether the unit demanding them is authorised or entitled to have them.
6. There is yet ~~any~~ another tendency of not asking for stores because it is thought they are not in the Storehouse.
7. All these tendencies are due to a misconception of the basic principles of demanding stores.
8. It would be appreciated if the following "rules" were adopted by all officers, connected with the stores administration in units, as the basic principles of demand.
 1. FIND OUT what your unit is AUTHORISED to hold.
 2. DO NOT ASK FOR stores to which the unit is not entitled. You will not get them.
 3. If authorised stores are needed DEMAND them. What you do not ask for you will not receive.
 4. MAKE DEMANDS according to instructions, in the CORRECT MANNER and at the RIGHT TIME.
 5. THINK AHEAD. Ask HOW for stores you know you will be requiring in two or three weeks time. If you wait it may be too late and you will not receive your stores.

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5. THINK AHEAD. Ask NOW for stores you know you will be requiring in two or three weeks time. If you wait it may be too late and you will not receive your stores **4036a** need them.

6. If you are uncertain ASK FOR ADVICE.

9. Will you please discourage the prevalent habit of units sending in representatives to make demands authorized and the stores issued on the spot. This defeats any attempt to make accurate calculations in demanding stores from Base. With bulk stores, unit officers only have to calculate their requirements over the next fifteen days, if they cannot do that I suggest that there is something radically wrong with their administrative work. With other stores, the Central Storehouse is not supposed to hold any stock (if it did, it would become a Depot and not a Storehouse) - units MUST expect to WAIT for about three weeks until the stores arrive.

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APPENDIX #1
 (1) ACCOUNT _____ DATE OPENED _____ UNIT _____ O I/O STORES _____

(2) PART & Vocab Nos Designations →															
(3) → Entitlement															
(4) ↓ Date															
	Received	Issued	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	R	I	I

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ARMY FORM G. 64
• CONTROL NO.

INDENT FOR ORDNANCE STORES.

UNIT'S No. DATE DATE DATE

1 DATE STORES REQUIRED

PRIMAL
ECIAL

AD.O.S. No.

ADDRESS FOR STORES

UNIT
(Show address for correspondence)

APPENDIX B

Part or Catalogue No.	VOCABULARY SECTION Designation of articles required	Quantity required	Rate	Establishment or authorized proportions	In possession		Quantities received & date
					Serviceable	Non-serviceable	

I certify that the following articles are actually required to complete to authorized scale:—
(a) As a first supply; (b) To replace others lost through the exigencies of the campaign;
(c) To replace others rendered unusable through the exigencies of the campaign.

Approved for issue:—

For R.A.O.C. use
To be inserted on
application or request
in State, State
through the Agency.

Signed

Commanding

UNIT ACCOUNTING FOR STORES AND EQUIPMENT.

1. The commanding officer of every unit is personally responsible for the stores and equipment held by that unit.
2. Normally he will delegate the duties which this responsibility necessitates to one of his unit officers. In the British Army this officer is known as the Quarter-Master, and he is in charge of the unit stores, keeps accounts for such stores and makes the necessary demands for replacements.
3. No unit should hold any stores or equipment other than authorised by higher authority.
4. For Italian Combat Forces the authority for units to possess British equipment may be any of the following:-
 - (1) War Establishment
 - (2) Special Equipment List
 - (3) Normal Equipment List
 - (4) Training Scales authorised by Director of Military Training.

5. The unit officer nominated as Quarter-Master should first ascertain exactly what stores and equipment his unit is entitled to hold under any of the authorities mentioned in para 4 above.

6. He should then prepare ledgers, listing all the items to which his unit is entitled and inserting the authorised quantity in each case. He should use a separate ledger account for each authority, i.e., War Establishment, or S.E.L. of M.E.L. or Training Scales.

7. The proforma as at appendix "A" is recommended as a sample ledger sheet, but any other type will do provided it supplies the same information.

8. The essential points of the attached proforma are:-

(1) The account reference number is quoted, for example the War Establishment serial number of the unit, or its S.E.L. number etc.

(2) All the items included on the War Establishment, S.E.L. etc are listed on the ledger sheet(s)

(3) The quantity of each item which the unit is authorised to hold is inserted.

(4) As and when stores are received, the quantity is inserted under the item heading in the receipt column and against the date of receipt, as the stores may be disposed of, transferred to another unit, lost or destroyed, likewise the quantity is inserted under the item heading in the issues column against date.

(5) By this means, against any item, the Quarter-Master can always readily ascertain the position of the stores he holds and compare it with the unit entitlement. He can then demand any deficiencies.

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10. Special Equipment List:- Some units of RIC, IOP have S.E.L.'s relevant to their type of unit, e.g. Workshops Platoon, I.A.D., Field Hospital, Field Bakery, Transport Company etc. These units should be in possession of these S.E.L.'s and prepare Ledger Accounts accordingly.

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- 11. Normal Equipments Lists. These are applicable to all units of RTO, ICF, They include 74 Tables of Stores, applicable to most units and based on scales such as the number of personnel, of vehicles in a unit, and include such stores as clothing, equipment, tools, cleaning materials, cooking utensils etc. Each unit should prepare N.Z.L. Ledger accounts according to its needs and within the scales laid down. There are not enough copies of N.E.L.'s available for distribution to all units but Quarter-Masters should consult HQ. RTO, ICF, to ascertain the scales of stores to which they are entitled.
- 12. Training Equipment. Units should prepare accounts based on instructions from HQ. RTO, ICF, in liaison with the British Training Staff.
- 13. Unit Quarter-Masters will base their demands solely on entitlements as above. At appendix "B" a sample copy of a British Indent form is attached. Demands should be submitted by units giving the information required on that form.
- 14. Details governing the demand of stores within RTO, ICF, are governed by the instructions contained in D.A.B.G.S. "F" BLU letter CRD/12/29 dated 2nd April 1945.

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Reference: CRD/12/47
 Date : May 16th 1945.

M. W. Jeffery
 M. W. JEFFERY,
 Maj or
 D.A.B.G.S.

Subject:-

Control and Supervision of Central Storehouse.

To: HQ, ICF.

For information to:

DAA & SAC, "F" B.L.U. ✓

"F" B.L.U.,

I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,

c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,

AC (MILA) Rome.

Ref: OMD/12/50

May 27th 1945.

1. In February of this year during a period of trial and difficulties the control and supervision of Central Storehouse ICF, ICF, was placed under the D.A.D.O.S. "F" B.L.U. Since the original circumstances have ceased to exist it is proposed that D.A.D.O.S. relinquishes such control. First of all however it is considered that the following conditions must be fulfilled:-

(1) A complete stock check of all British Stores held by the Central Storehouse must be made and the figures certified by the Officer i/c. There-after no discrepancies will be accepted regarding such stores.

(11) An Italian Officer or Senior NCO must be appointed to the present DABOC Receipts Shed, preferably with a small staff. He will supervise the transfer of stores received from Base into Central Storehouse and satisfy himself that quantities and items are correctly vouchered. DABOC will not accept discrepancies after his checking.

2. Once these conditions have been fulfilled, the controlling authority for release of all Ordnance Stores to units of ICF, ICF will be entirely a matter for your own decision.

3. As DABOC I shall remain as the intermediary between your HQ and the sources of supply for Ordnance Stores, ~~and~~ I shall make demands for British items to replenish Central Storehouse or for Unit Stores only if initiated by you, and I shall not take automatic provision action as at present.

4. Further details can be discussed later. Will you inform me whether you are prepared to accept the recommendations of my para 1 above, and complete all necessary action before 15th June 1945. ?.

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DAA & SAC
SC "F" B.L.U.
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1. In February of this year during a period of trial and difficulties the control and supervision of Central Storehouse RFC, IOF, was placed under the D.A.D.C.S. "P" B.L.U. Since the original circumstances have ceased to exist it is proposed that D.A.D.C.S. relinquishes such control. First of all however it is considered that the following conditions must be fulfilled:-

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2. Once these conditions have been fulfilled, the controlling authority for release of all Ordnance Stores to units of RFC, IOF will be entirely a matter for your own decision.

3. As DADOS I shall remain as the intermediary between your HQ and the sources of supply for Ordnance Stores, ~~and~~ I shall make demands for British items to replenish Central Storehouse or for Unit Stores only if initiated by you, and I shall NOT take automatic provision action as at present.

4. Further details can be discussed later. Will you inform me whether you are prepared to accept the recommendations of my para 1 above, and complete all necessary action before 15th June 1945. 7.

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M. R. JEFFERY,
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Subject:- Unit accounting for Stores and Equipment.

To: HQ. ESC, ICF.

"F" B.L.U.,

I.M.T.O., I.C.F.,

c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,

AC (MMLA) Rome.

For information to:

DAA & QMG "F" B.L.U. ✓

Ref: ORD/12/47a.
May 19th 1945.

1. Attached please find my ORD/12/47 and appendices A & B, together with 6 copies of the Italian translation.
2. As long as Italian Forces are equipped to British scales and with British Equipment, it is essential that the Italian Officers who deal with the administration of units or the handling of stores should be well informed on the question of such scales, and should interest themselves keenly upon the equipment situation in the units with which they are concerned.
3. I have written the attached pamphlet in an effort to explain as briefly and as simply as possible how every unit should look after its own interests in the matter of stores and equipment.
4. If your Officers of administration branches and services were to make themselves familiar with my remarks beforehand, I feel sure that it would not be difficult for them to instruct and inform ^{the} quarter-masters of all units on the essential and basic principles I have set out.
5. I have some forty more copies in Italian of my ORD/12/47, and I suggest you might require them for distribution to units, either individually, or if you think it would be necessary at a conference of unit quarter-master Officers.

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Subject:- Control and Supervision of Central Storehouse

TO: HQ, RHC, ICF.

For information to: DAA & QMG, SPS BLU.

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I.R.F.G., I. S. C.

Ref: Ord/12/57
June 13th 1945

Further to my ORD/12/50 dated 27th May 1945.

1. As from the 15th June 1945 I propose to relinquish my control on the issue and distribution of Bulk Stores to units from Central Storehouse.

2. I recommend that the present procedure be continued, units submitting to you their bulk demands for clothing, personal equipment and other bulk stores such as paints, oils, rags, nails, grindery etc twice a month.

3. I would appreciate that copies of all stock returns from the Storehouse and from Regiments be passed to me for information and also copies of all your releases of stores to units.

4. This would mean that everything would remain as at present except that my countersignature would no longer be required for units to draw stores from Central Storehouse.

5. The procedure governing unit and training stores and the Transit Shed is to remain as at present.

6. I shall not make demands on Base either for Unit stores or Bulk Stores unless they are originated or approved by you. Thus the question of making demands and keeping sufficient stocks in Central Storehouse to meet future requirements becomes primarily your responsibility. Likewise, your HQ is responsible for watching the interests of RHC, ICF, with regards to equipment authorised against S.B.L's. N.B.L's, War Establishments and Training Scales.

7. O i/c Central Storehouse has passed me a note ~~of~~ the quantities of stores, item by item held by him (except for Blankets subject to a later check) I am accepting these figures, dated as at 9th June 1945, as being correct and verified.

8. Stores received from Base will be collected by O i/c Central Storehouse or his representative from BADOS Shed. Such stores will be

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8. Stores received from Base will be collected by O i/c Central Storehouse or his representative from DADOS Shed. Such stores will be checked and quantities verified item by item in the presence of an Italian Officer or NCO on being transferred to Central Storehouse. Subsequent discrepancies will not be accepted. There is already a large quantity of stores awaiting collection from DADOS Shed.
9. Please acknowledge.

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 Major

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SUBJECT: Italian Officers or Prisoners of War from Egypt.

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U.S. BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING CENTER
R.F.C., I.C.P.

Ref: AO/24/1079

27 July 45.

To: H.C.
R.F.C., I.C.P.

1. When Field Marshal Alexander visited this Centre, he emphasized the importance of having really experienced and first quality Officers at a Training Centre which is the basis of the whole Italian Army.
2. As a result the Field Marshall and General Browning took a great deal of trouble to make the necessary arrangements. A senior British Officer was sent to Egypt personally to select the most suitable officers and at great inconvenience special shipping facilities were provided to bring these officers to Camp with the minimum delay.
3. It has come to my knowledge that some of these officers have been posted to Egypt and have not been retained here for the purpose for which they were obtained.
4. If this is indeed the case I require an urgent explanation and a full report on the circumstances. Will you please let me have a reply to the following questions, in duplicate (one copy for submission to H.M.I.A.)
 - (1) How many officers arrived from Egypt?
 - (2) What were their approximate dates of arrival?
 - (3) Were any of them given leave on arrival?
 - (4) If so, what period of leave was granted?
 - (5) How many of these officers are at present in the Service?
 - (6) How many officers have been posted to the Camp?
 - (7) Give the numbers posted to each of the five Camps and the posted elements.
 - (8) On whose authority were these postings made?

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 - (6) How many officers have been posted to the theatre?
 - (7) Give the numbers posted to each of the five groups and the numbers posted elsewhere.
 - (8) On whose authority were these postings made?
 - (9) Why was I not informed that officers were sent here on the specific orders of the Field Marshal were being sent to places other than that for which they were intended?
 - (10) Give a general report on the circumstances attending the whole matter.
5. This matter was brought to my attention last night and in view of the very grave view which I take of the whole matter I wish to be in a position to submit my report to Higher Authority on Monday, 30 July. Please let us have your reply before 1500 hrs on that day.

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Colonel,
 Commander 1st British Liaison
 & Coy. Unit 533 Coy

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Colonel,
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of the 1st Unit STG 101

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HOME AREA ALLIANCE COMMAND
COMMUNIST (CHINA)

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Subject:- 3 (IT) G.T. Coy.

Ref : 3/1000/954/13
Tel : 66588
Date: 28 July 1955.

TO :- D.A.D.O.R.
"F" B.L. & T.U.

Reference your OMB/12/68 dated 23 July 55.

1. After consultation with the A.D.S.T., this P.O., it has been ascertained that Italian G.T. experience with R.T.C. I.C.P., whilst being the responsibility of H.Q. R.A.A., are not fully administered by G.T., who act merely in an advisory capacity.
2. Requests for M.I. stores and equipment for these units will therefore be passed by you through this office in the normal manner.

Copy to:- D.A.A. & C.M.C. 'F' RL & TU
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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"

C.A.C.F.I.C.

Ufficio Personale ed affari vari

N° 03/II282/Ris di prot.

P.M. 92 li 30 luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Ufficiali italiani ex prigionieri di guerra in Egitto.-

AL "F" B.T.U. - R.T.C. - I.G.F.

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- Riferimento foglio 49/2/I/1079 data 27 luglio 1945 -

In risposta ai quesiti formulati, si comunica quanto segue:

1°) Il numero totale degli ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia ed assegnati al Centro è di 127 dei quali 54 facenti parti del 1° scaglione e 53 del 2°.- (Allegato No 1)

2°) Gli ufficiali si sono presentati al Centro alla "spicciolata". Non è quindi possibile enunciare una data di presentazione unica.

A richiesta si è in grado di precisare per ogni ufficiale la data di presentazione.

Comunque la presentazione del 1° scaglione ha avuto luogo tra il 24 aprile c.a. ed il 23 maggio 1945; quella del 2° scaglione fra il 12 giugno ed il 25 luglio c.a..

3°) Le 49 Gli ufficiali del 2° scaglione prima di presentarsi al Centro hanno usufruito di una licenza di 55.14 + il viaggio concessa direttamente dal Capo di S.M. dell'Esercito: alcuni di essi hanno, inoltre, ottenuto, sempre dalla suddetta Autorità e per necessità familiare, prof. Di 21 durata variabile.

A quelli del 1° scaglione furono concesse brevi licenze.

Rispondendo poi a richiesta avanzata dagli enti dipendenti il comando Divisione rispose (vedere allegato No 2).

OGGETTO: Ufficiali italiani ex prigionieri di guerra in Egitto.-

AL "7" B.T.U. - R.T.C. - I.G.F.

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- Riferimento foglio AG/21/1079 data 27 luglio 1945 -

In risposta ai quesiti formulati, si comunica quanto segue:

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A quelli del I° scaglione furono concesse brevi licenze.

Rispondendo poi a richiesta avanzata degli enti dipendenti il comando Divisione rispose (vedasi allegato N° 2) /

- in un primo tempo che, compatibilmente alle esigenze di servizio, agli ufficiali avrebbe potuto essere concessa una breve licenza di durata tale da non superare, in aggiunta alla precedente, 20 gg. più il viaggio (foglio 03/5913/Ris data 9/6/1945);

- in un secondo tempo che, migliorata la situazione dei quadri gli ufficiali potessero usufruire a richiesta, della intera licenza, (detratti s'intende i giorni goduti), istituita per i reduci dalla prigionia del Ministero della Guerra con circolare 4515/250/2 data

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20 giugno 1945. (foglio n° 6418/Mis data 25/6/1945).
5°) Attualmente si trovano al Centro N° 105 ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia.-

- 6°) e 7°) - Ai Gruppi di combattimento sono stati finora trasferiti N° 11 ufficiali così distribuiti: (allegato N° I)
 - N° 5 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Cremona"
 - N° 6 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Volgore" inoltre:
 - N° 1 ufficiale (cap. Itr. (b) s.p.e. LANI Mileno) è stato trasferito al 406 Reg. Pionieri in ottemperanza al dispaccio N° 2629/100/5/Nov. data 26/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
 - N° 1 ufficiale (cap. Itr. s.p.e. VALENTINO Vincenzo) è stato trasferito alla 226^a Divisione in ottemperanza al dispaccio N° I/17389/Nov. data 5/7/1945 del Ministero Guerra.
 - N° 1 ufficiale (cap. Itr. s.p.e. SKENDERAY Ievdiq, (di nazionalità albanese) è stato trasferito al distretto militare di Parma in ottemperanza al dispaccio N° I/15696/Nov. data 12/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
- N° 7 ufficiali di complemento sono stati collocati in congedo. L'ordine a far luogo al provvedimento venne dato dallo S.M.R.E. con foglio I7592/Mob. data 7/giugno 1945 in risposta al quesito formulato da questo comando (vedasi allegato N° 3).
- 8°) I trasferimenti al Gruppo di Combattimento sono stati ordinati dal Ministero della Guerra con singoli dispacci.-
- 9°) Per l'invio degli ufficiali al Gruppo di combattimento codesto "B.L.T.U.", non è stato informato poiché questo comando riteneva che gli ufficiali reduci da prigionia fossero a disposizione del Centro di Cesano e per completare i gruppi di combattimento, come, d'altra parte, è sancito nel capo 2° del foglio I7592/Mob. del 7/6/c.a. dello S.M.R.E. (allegato 3/3).-



IL COMANDANTE
(Generale Ezio Vegni)

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1° SCAGLIONE

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- Inviati in licenza di convalida	:	"	"	1
- In forza al Centro alla data di oggi	:	"	"	53

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- Collocati in congedo	:	"	"	7
- In forza al Centro alla data di oggi	:	"	"	52

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- Ufficiali giunti complessivamente al Centro, reduci dalla prigionia, totale.....nr.	127
- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento....."	11
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- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento : " " 5
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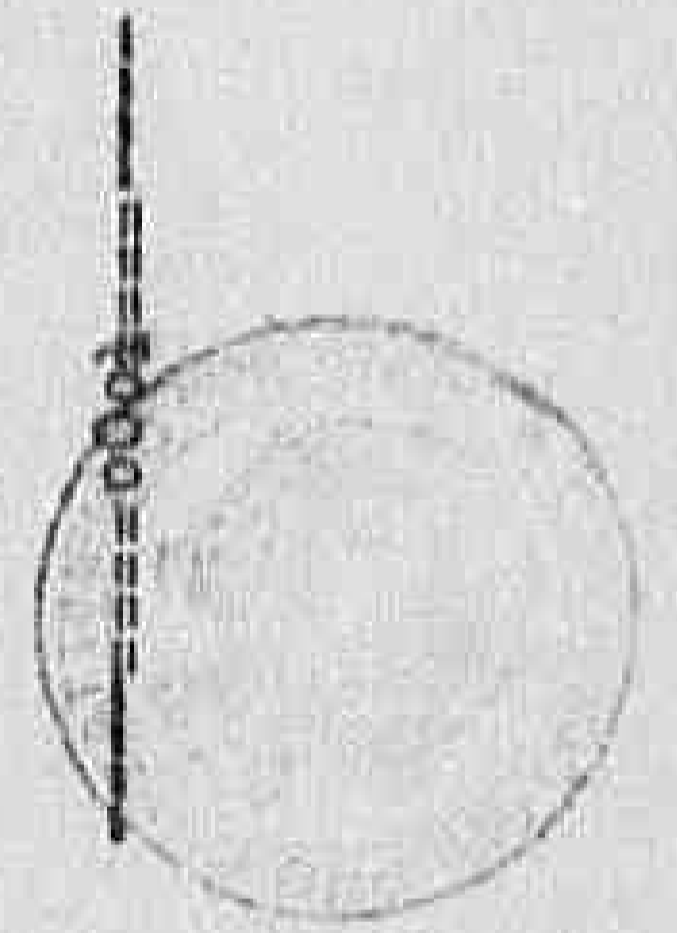
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MEMORANDUM

Ordnance Branch of B.L.U.
att. R.T.C. I.C.F.
Ref. ORD 12/3.

7 Feb 45.

To: D.A.A. & Q.E.G. Br. and R.T.C. I.C.F.

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1. Object of memorandum: To explain briefly the assumed responsibilities and suggested procedure of the Ord Branch of the B.L.U. attached to R.T.C. I.C.F.
2. Responsibilities: To advise and assist the Italian Military staff of the R.T.C. in the provision, storage and distribution of British Ordnance Stores and to carry out the policy laid down through British Staff channels in that respect.

3. Procedure.

(a) The D.A.D.O.S. is at the disposal of the British Staff of the B.L.U. for advice on all Ordnance matters, and to act as the intermediary between the R.T.C. and higher Ordnance Directorates and Depots. Demands for Ordnance Stores for all reinforcements, training wings, ancillary units and the re-equipping of units or formations under R.T.C. arrangements, should be passed to D.A.D.O.S. for his action. In this matter it should be remembered that the time lag between normal demands and receipt of Ord Stores is likely to be 3 - 4 weeks.

(b) When a B.O.W.O. is available he will act as the D.A.D.O.S.'s deputy and contact local and attached Italian Units and the sub-formations of the R. T. C. to help and advise with any problems concerning Ordnance Stores and equipment.

(c) R.A.O.C. Storemen should also be available to give assistance in the R.T.C. Central Storehouse to help with the receipt of stores and checking and sorting against correct designations, and maintaining storehouse accounting on British lines and in parallel with the Italian accounting of the O I/c stores. It is also proposed that as far as possible the storage of equipment should follow British methods.

(d) Regarding the issue of Stores it is assumed that, within the R.T.C. and to clothes and equip reinforcements, the present ~~will~~ be continued whereby the Divisional Staff controls the distribution to the various sub-formations by

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of British Ordnance Stores and to carry out the policy laid down through British Staff channels in that respect.

3. Procedure.

- (a) The D.A.D.O.S. is at the disposal of the British Staff of the B.I.U. for advice on all Ordnance matters, and to act as the intermediary between the R.F.C. and higher Ordnance Directorates and Depots. Demands for Ordnance Stores for all reinforcements, training wings, artillery units and the re-equipping of units or formations under R.F.C. arrangements, should be passed to D.A.D.O.S. for his action. In this matter it should be remembered that the time lag between normal demands and receipt of Ord Stores is likely to be 3 - 4 weeks.
- (b) When a B.C.N.O. is available he will act as the D.A.D.O.S.'s deputy and contact local and attached Italian Units and the sub-formations of the R. T. C. to help and advise with any problems concerning Ordnance Stores and equipment.
- (c) R.A.C.C. Storemen should also be available to give assistance in the R.F.C. Central Storehouse to help with the receipt of stores and checking and sorting against correct designations, and maintaining storehouse accounting on British lines and in parallel with the Italian accounting of the O i/c stores. It is also proposed that as far as possible the storage of equipment should follow British methods.
- (d) Regarding the issue of Stores it is assumed that, within the R.F.C. and to clothe and equip reinforcements, the present ^{will} be continued whereby the Divisional Staff controls the distribution to the various sub-formations by release notes to the O i/c Central Storehouse. In which case it is suggested that copies of these release notes should always be sent to D.A.D.O.S. for his information.
- On the other hand, although no rule appears as yet to be laid down it is assumed that requirements of other Units, such as Italian G.F. Coys, who do not actually form part of the R.F.C. but are attached for duty, and likewise the requirements originating from E.F.U. sources, will be made direct to D.A.D.O.S. and when available the stores will be issued by him. Some clarification however is required on that point.


M. W. JEFFREY.
D.A.D.O.S.

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SUBJECT :- Policy and Procedure for Demand and Collection of Stores from Central Storehouse etc.

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HU HQ IGP,
Ref HQD/12/5
27 Feb 45.

HQ HQ IGP.

The following suggestions are put forward to implement paragraph 1 of your 07/175/5/Cass dt prot dated 14 Feb 45.

1. That all Regiments, Training and Instructional Schools, and Units should submit their demands for Clothing and Personal Equipment to your HQ by Saturday of each week.

2. That these demands should cover item by item, all actual requirements to complete all actual personnel to full scale (see N.C.L. Tables 1 and 72), and also cover the anticipated requirements for new arrivals a week ahead.

3. That these demands should be passed to MADCS HU for release from Central Storehouse.

4. That Regiments, Schools and Units should draw the Stores released to them each week as under :-

1st Regiment	-	Tuesdays.
2nd Regiment	-	Wednesdays.
3rd Regiment	-	Thursdays.
All others	-	Fridays.

5. That Regiments, Schools and Units having drawn their stores as in paragraph 4, redemand in full all items not received, on the next Saturday.

6. By this method it is hoped that a reserve will always be held by Regiments.

Your comments on the above will be appreciated, together with any further suggestions. If you agree, it is proposed that some such procedure should be made effective forthwith.

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M. W. JENYSHI
MAJOR
DADOS.

(C O P Y)

SUBJECT :- Mantova GruppoAllied Force HeadquartersTele No. Freedom 518AFHQ/6442/Q(AE)21 Feb 45

Ord (Br)

The completion date for equipment of the 5th (Mantova) Gruppo has been fixed at 31 Mar 45.

Will you please arrange that between now and 15 Mar 45 Depots meet demands from the B.L.U. on a priority next below Armies.

From 15 Mar 45 to 31 Mar 45 remaining unsatisfied indents from the Gruppo are to receive first priority.

(Sgd) J.J. SLOAN, Lt. Col.,
for Brigadier,
Q(AE).

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SUBJECT: Mantova Gruppo

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(M.M.I.A.)

3/4/29/28
26 February 45

TO : 56 WJW
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Enclosed herewith find copy of AFHQ letter AFHQ/GA2/C(AS)
dated 21 Feb 45, subject :- Mantova Gruppo.

R. G. A. Bruce-Ravies
Major General *Capt*
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SUBJECT: Rifles.

7th REG. INF. DIV.

Ref: AG/2/1/125.

24 March 1945.

To: H.Q.
R.E.C., I.C.F.

1. All rifles now issued to Regiments will be issued to individuals as personal weapons and will be taken by the individual when posted away.
2. A small pool of rifles, not more than 100 per Regiment, will be held at each Regiment in order to equip any man going forward who has not previously received a rifle.
3. A return will be sent to D.A.D.O.S. at the same time as the Clothing and Equipment return showing:
 - (a) Number of rifles at beginning of week.
 - (b) Number of rifles received from D.A.D.O.S. during week.
 - (c) Number of rifles gone forward with reinforcements during week.
 - (d) Rifles on hand at end of week.


 Major H.A.
 D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject: Demands for Ordnance Stores.

FM BLU, IRTG., ICF.
ORD/12/23
28 Apr 45.

DEMANDS FM BLU, IRTG., ICF.

INFO: HQ, IRTG., ICF.

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2. It is understood from H.Q., I.R.T.C., I.C.F. that all Italian units and regiments under their administration have been instructed to refer all such matters to them, and of course this is the proper procedure.
3. To ensure that only one channel of demand is effective, and in order to avoid confusion, duplication and misunderstanding, I would appreciate that the attention of all British officers so called to these remarks, and that Italian units approaching them on the subject of Ordnance Stores be advised emphatically that H.Q., I.R.T.C., I.C.F. is the one and only correct higher authority for their queries and demands.
4. In future, no demands for Ordnance Stores will be accepted by us from units, schools and regiments without the prior knowledge and consent of H.Q., I.R.T.C., I.C.F.

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H. S. JEFFERY,
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Subject: Procedure, Ordnance Services, I.R.S.C., I.C.F.

M.S.: I.R.S.C., I.C.F.

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2. This has partly been done before, but during the past two months several points of routine have been developed to satisfy local circumstances, and it is felt that this is an opportune moment to regularise them and to tie up the present procedure making a few additional recommendations to perfect it.
3. As long as stores are provided from British Ordnance Services, only slight variations, due probably to the current supply situation, need be expected in the procedure as now recommended.

A. GENERAL REGULATORY ORDNANCE

- (i) Appendix A is a list by Vocabulary Sections and in general outline of the stores issued by British Ordnance. This is purely for general information.
- (ii) Units are not authorized to demand stores in these sections just as and when they please, but are limited to items to which they are entitled either on the
 - (a) Normal Equipment Lists (Tables 1-74) which are applicable to all units and provide the scale of issues according to the War Establishment of vehicles, weapons and personnel. For example, all troops are clothed according to Table 72 and equipped according to Table 1, all motor-cyclists are entitled to protective clothing as in Table 17, the scale of cleaning equipment for mortars is contained in Table 7, etc. etc.
 - (b) Special Equipment Lists, which differ according to each type of unit, and provide special stores essential to that type of unit but not necessarily to others, e.g. S.A.L. 186/1 applies only to a Field Hospital.
- (iii) Units of course are entitled to demand any item not specifically mentioned in either S.A.L.'s or S.A.L.'s provided it is genuinely required to repair a weapon or vehicle, and for general unit maintenance, as for example nails, dunnage and other expendable stores.
- (iv) Within any formation or depot there will obviously be some items which are in constant demand and others only required from time to time and in small quantities. For instance, clothing is a constant and universal demand, but a set of dressing instruments or a gear-box for a Dodge truck will be demanded comparatively rarely.
- (v) In the British Army, in the field, the practice has therefore arisen to divide the demand of Ordnance Stores into two general categories: Bulk items and Unit items. These are irrespective of vocabulary sections and selected only by the frequency of requirements.
- (vi) Bulk items are those constantly in demand, and for your guidance, a list as at Appendix B, has been drawn up as applicable to all units and regiments of I.R.S.C., I.C.F.
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- (viii) Bulk and Unit items, as will be seen below, provide a basis upon which the general procedure of demand, storage and distribution can be effected.

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B. DEMAND.

- (i) It is very desirable that all demands from units and regiments should be submitted to HQ. I.I.C. I.C.F. and not direct to ADOS 'F' HQ. This is a point already mutually agreed.
- (ii) It is strongly recommended that all units and regiments recognize and appreciate the general observations as set out in A (i) to (viii) above.

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- (iii) Demands should be governed by these observations.
- (iv) As already explained, all items listed in Appendix B are bulk items. The procedure already governing clothing and equipment should be made applicable to all other bulk items in Appendix B.
- (v) Units and Regiments should therefore demand all these items in bulk weekly, every Saturday. Whatever has not been collected, for whatever reason, from the Central Storehouse during the week, should be included on the next Saturday's demand. Thus, all bulk items are dead after seven days.
- (vi) HQ, ITC, ICF, having approved bulk and Regiment bulk demands pass them to DAQD for counter-signature and the stores are drawn from the Central Storehouse on the days allotted to units and regiments.
- (vii) For all other stores a slightly different procedure is essential. Because of their diversity and the comparatively small demand per item, they will not normally be stocked in the Central Storehouse.
- (viii) Therefore, HQ, ITC, ICF, should pass such demands to DAQD as and when they are submitted by units and regiments. A copy of each demand should be retained by the unit for its information.
- (ix) DAQD then prepares Issue Orders on Base Depot or relevant source of supply, and when the stores arrive (probably about three weeks later) the unit collects from Central Storehouse.
- (x) The unit redemands such stores only if they have not been received after 10 weeks. It is important that this should be fully understood and these items not confused with bulk demands.

C. COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION.

- (i) Units collect Bulk stores from Central Storehouse on the day of the week allotted by HQ, ITC, ICF.
- (ii) The distribution of Bulk stores per unit will depend upon the approval of HQ, ITC, ICF, and the counter-approval of DAQD, governed by the availability of stocks and priorities.
- (iii) It is recommended that units awaiting Unit items call at the Central Storehouse regularly, at least on their allotted days, to enquire whether any unit stores are awaiting their collection.
- (iv) It is not proposed to notify units of the arrival of unit stores unless the need is known to be urgent, or units have failed to call within seven days of arrival of stores.
- (v) A receipt will be given by unit representatives for all stores collected from Central Storehouse.

D. THE CENTRAL STOREHOUSE.

- (i) It is recommended that the present allocation of sheds be continued, i.e. one Shed for receipts, three sheds for clothing, equipment and general stores, one shed for Training equipment (under the control of A.T.F.)
- (ii) As at present, the receipt of all (stores) stores should be supervised by British personnel. This course has been found preferable owing to the frequency of queries, and also discrepancies. It is suggested however, that at least one Italian A.C. or senior B.C.O. should be supplied to work alongside the British staff, and so become accustomed to the procedure and work involved.
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D. THE CENTRAL STOREHOUSE.

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- (iii) After receipt and checking of packages, Bulk Items should be transferred to the Italian Officer i/o Central Storehouse. A temporary receipt can be given by the latter on A.S. 103, and an accounting voucher can afterwards be prepared by DADS, two copies sent to Officer i/o Central Storehouse who returns one to DADS as an official receipt with any remarks as to discrepancies, damage etc.
- (iv) For unit items, a separate bay can be allotted in the receipts shed. Units collect these stores direct. An Italian S.C.O. should be made available to work alongside the British S.C.O. for this purpose.
- (v) It will follow therefore, that the three sheds under the direct supervision of Officer i/o Central Storehouse will be stocked with Bulk items only.

2. RETURNED STORES.

All ITEMS OF ORDNANCE STORES which are worn out or no longer serviceable, or which are no longer required whatever their condition, should be returned by units without delay.

The British H.C.O. i/c receipts will supervise a Returned Stores Dump (refer to in brief as R.S.D.) and will give a receipt for all stores so returned.

Unserviceable items should not be held by Officer i/c Central Storehouse, and any such stores should be returned by him to R.S.D. arrangements will then be made by DMS for backloading to Base.

P. PROVISION.

DMS will take automatic provision action on behalf of H. HQ. ITC. ITC. to maintain a stock of Bulk items in the Central Storehouse, sufficient on an average to meet a fortnight's requirements.

Provision action for Unit items will be strictly according to individual demands by units.

Q. CLOSING ISSUES.

- (1) H.S.L.'s and S.S.L.'s have been demanded for further distribution and with the object of providing all units with them as far as possible.
- (ii) Translations will have to be effected locally.
- (iii) When demanding Ordnance stores it is particularly important that the correct item is asked for. It will be very much appreciated if this point were strongly emphasized and units must quote the correct vocabulary section and number when indenting for stores. Language difficulties are appreciated, but once the Italian equivalents are made against the English lists, item by item, there should be no difficulty for a clerk to copy letter for English designations. This is not so in the case of British items where familiarity due to continuous handling makes both Italian and British stores personnel acquainted with the bi-lingual designations, but it is absolutely essential with Unit items.
- (iv) There are literally thousands of individual items in the Ordnance Vocabulary, and an incorrect designation with the absence of a part number makes it impossible for those concerned to recognise exactly what is wanted.
- (v) Certain stores are required for repair work and local manufacture. It is not for me to suggest how and where such work should be undertaken, but in view of the static and permanent nature of this Centre I hope that the aim will be for centralisation. For example, Vehicle repairs, Textile repairs, Boot repairs, Outfitting, etc. when these things are organized. As an interested party in the distribution of materials required, I suggest it would be far more economical for each type of work to be centralized with the unit, especially as some items are difficult to obtain and in short supply. For example, to ration out 50 lbs. of paint through any fifteen units, would be far more wasteful and less efficient than to issue it all to one unit which has the sole responsibility for painting vehicles and signs for the whole Centre. I offer this merely for your consideration, it is not an Ordnance matter, and my advice is prejudiced entirely by the consideration and wishes of supply.
- (vi) Finally, if there are any queries arising from this memorandum I shall be glad to

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Z. PROVISION.

MUDS will take automatic provision action on behalf of Bn. 107th. Coy. to maintain a stock of Bulk items in the Central storerooms, sufficient on an average to meet a fortnight's requirements.

Provision action for unit items will be strictly according to individual demands by units.

G. CLASSIFYING MARKS.

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M. J. JEFFERY,
Lieut.,
MUDS '71 Bn.

APPENDIX A (Contd.)LIST 2 STORES (Contd.)

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- Y. Signal Stores - Line & Visual.
- L.1. Wires & Associated Stores.
- L.2. Signal Stores - Portable Secondary Batteries, Charging Sets, Power Units, Engines, Generators, Testing Apparatus, Measuring Sets, etc.
- L.3. U. Ammunition, Mun. Packages, Explosives, Magazine Stores, etc.
- L.V.1. Cruiser Infantry & Medium Tanks & Medium Dragons.
- L.V.2. Light Tanks, Light Dragons & Carriers.
- L.V.3. Engines & Commercial Assemblies for 'A' Vehicles.
- L.V.4. Armament Mountings & their Appliances for Mech. Vehicles.
- L.V.5. Armored Cars & Scout Cars.
- L.V.6. Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment Parts for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.
- L.V.7. Misc. Stores Proprietary Assemblies.
- L.V.8. Misc. Tools, Joints & Components of Tool Sets.
- L.V.9. Belts, Glasses, Mirrors, Mirrors, Transformers & Induction Coils.
- L.V.10. Dynamos, Starter Motors, Secondary Batteries & Electrical Supplies.
- L.V.11. Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Screws, Studs, Washers.
- L.V.12. Rubber hose, Tyre Repair & Vulcanizing Material, etc.
- L.V.13. Bearings Ball & Roller.
- L.V.14. Coils, Ignition, Distributors, Magnets & Magnets.
- L.V.15. Power Machinery, Pumps.
- L.V.16. Metals & Metal Tubing. Scissors & Soldering Material.
- L.V.17. Drying Chains.
- L.V.18. Carburetors, Filters Air, Filters Petrol, Generators, Injection (Pumps).
- L.V.19. Attachments Towing, Body Frames, Coach Material & Coach. Waterproof.
- L.V.20. Covers, Buses, Valves & Studs.
- L.V.21. Special Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment. Parts for 'A' Vehicles only.
- L.V.22. Miniature Engines.
- L.V.23. Parts Misc. Literature for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.
- L.V.24. 'B' Vehicles.

LIST 7 STORES - CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES (MILITARY PURPOSES)

- C.1. Materials - Woolens etc.
Cotton, Linen, Silk, etc.
- C.2. Trimmings etc.
Buttons, Hooks & Eyes, etc.
- C.3. Articles, Badges, Chevrons, Titles.
Special Badges & Titles for the Territorial Army.
- C.4. Neccessaries & Gignate Articles.
Boots, shoes, etc.
- C.5. Tailors' Tools, Shoemakers' Tools & Materials.
Cases, Coats, Tricorne.
- C.6. Colours, Badges, Standards.
Hospital Clothing.
- C.7. Hats, Caps, Hats, Helmets, etc.
- C.8. Goggles, Dress Goggles, etc.
Khaki Drill Garments.
- C.9. Miscellaneous Magazine & Waterproof Clothing, overalls, etc.)
Anti-Gas Clothing.
- C.10. S.G. Clothing.
- C.11. Officers' Clothing & Neccessaries.

- L.V.6. Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment Parts for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.
 M.1.1. Misc. Stores Proprietary assemblies.
 M.1.2. Misc. Tools, Jaws, Dies, Mirrors, Drifters & Underben Wipers.
 M.1.3. Dynamos, Starter Motors, Secondary Batteries & Electrical Supplies.
 M.1.4. White Wash, Brakes, Grease, Studs, Washers.
 M.1.5. Rubber Hoses, Tyre Repair & Inflating Material, etc.
 M.1.6. Bearings Ball & Roller.
 M.1.7. Coils, Ignition, Distributors, Magnets & Magnets.
 M.1.8. Power Machinery, Pumps.
 M.1.9. Metals & Metal Tubing. Solder & Soldering Material.
 M.1.10. Driving Chains.
 M.1.11. Motors, Carburetors, Filters Air, Filters Petrol, Governors, Injectors (Pumps).
 M.1.12. Covers, Seats, Valves & Joints.
 M.1.13. Special Misc. Stores & Proprietary Equipment. Parts for 'A' Vehicles only.
 M.1.14. Miniature Tanks.
 M.1.15. Parts Lists Literature for 'A' & 'B' Vehicles.
 M.1.16. 'B' Vehicles.

GROUP 7 STORES - CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES (INCLUDING EQUIPMENT)

- G.1. Materials - Woollens etc.
 Cotton, Linen, Silk, etc.
 Trappings etc.
 Sewings.
 Buttons, Hooks & Eyes, etc.
 Apslets, Badges, Chevrons Patches.
 Special Badges & Titles for the Territorial Army.
 Escarpment & Cognate Articles.
 Belts, Shoes, etc.
 Sailors' Socks, Shoemakers' Tools & Materials.
 Caps, Coats, Greatcoats.
 Colours, Buttons, Standard.
 Hospital Clothing.
 Bonnets, Caps, Hats, Belts, etc.
 Services Dress Garments, etc.
 Khaki Drill Garments.
 (Miscellaneous Mags, etc. & Waterproof Clothing, overalls, etc.)
 Anti-Gas Clothing.
 A.T.G. Clothing.
 Officers' Clothing & Necessaries.

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APPENDIX 'B'

LIST OF SUPPLIES

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Item Description	Quantity	Unit
Personal Equipment	-	
Helmets	4	
Cleaning Material, Mortars	7	
Protective Clothing, Vehicles	16 & 17	
Cleaning Materials for 'Beall' area	21	
Uniforms, Troop/Platoon	32	
Butchery & Cooking Implements	5	
Personal Clothing & Equipment	72	
Stores for Unit Sanitation	15	
Anti-gas Clothing	7 1/2	
Shells & their Accessories	3	

SECTION 1.

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit
16653	Camp Kuer Seed	12	bags
16656	"	9	"
16657	"	12	"
16652	"	9	"
16653	"	12	"
16654	"	9	"

SECTION 2.

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit
0602	Nails fire 1"		lbs
0604	Nails fire 2"		"
0605	Nails fire 2 1/2"		"
0606	Nails fire 3"		"
0607	Nails fire 4"		"

SECTION 3.

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit
0075	Rebbin		lbs
0079	Mineral Jelly G.S.		"
0024	Stosmax		"
0121	Oil Min. Hydraulic Buffer		flats
0145	Oil C-70		"
0145	Oil M-30		"
0502	Soap Yellow (in request 16 cr. bars)		bars
0245	Cloth Socky No. 2 Middling		sheds
0041	" " 2 Coarse		"
0043	" " 2 1/2" Fine		"
0053	Cloth Class No. 2 Middling		"
0055	" " No. 3 Coarse		"

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Classified Materials (For Security) -

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1	5
8	72
7	15
7	7 1/2
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Liniment, Propylalcol
 Butchery & Cooking Implements
 Personal Clothing & Equipment
 Stores for Unit Sanitation
 * Anti-Gas Clothing
 Rifles & their accessories

SECTION 1.

FA	1655	Gas mask band	Medium Fine 12"	Units
	1656	"	" Medium 9"	supplied
	1657	"	" Medium 12"	"
	1658	"	" Coarse 9"	"
	1659	"	" Coarse 12"	"
	1660	"	" Fine 9"	"

SECTION 2.

GA	0622	Balls fire 1 1/2"	lbs
	0623	Balls fire 2"	"
	0624	Balls fire 2 1/2"	"
	0625	Balls fire 3"	"
	0626	Balls fire 4"	"

SECTION 3.

ALL Paints

MA	0075	Dubbin	lbs
	0076	Mineral Jelly Grease	"
	0077	Beeswax	"
	0121	Oil Min. Hydraulic Refiner	gals
	0122	Oil O-70	"
	0123	Oil M-90	"
	0302	Soap Yellow (in remelted 16 oz. bars)	bars
	0045	Cloth Sundry No. 2 Milling	
	0046	" " " 2 Coarses	
	0047	" " " 2 "2" Fine	
	0052	Cloth Class No. 2 Milling	
	0053	" " " No. 3 Coarses	
	0054	" " " No. 1 Fine	
	0119	Oil "A"	galls.

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SECTION 4.

MB	0051	Sacks Cotton Old	crds.
	5160	Cotton Waste Colored	"
		" White	"

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SUBJECT: Supplies - Reserve Stocks.

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Ref: 4/4/169

2) Mar. 15.

To: H.Q.
R.F.C., I.C.F.

1. H.Q., H.M.I.A. has authorized, subject to review on 1 Sept. 15, a reserve of 75,000 balanced rations to be maintained at R.F.C., I.C.F.

2. Arrangements are also being made to increase metal pack delivery to 16,000 to cover the garrison at Viterbo.

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Major H.A.
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SECTION 5. P. (Inventory)

CD	Description	Quantity	Unit
1217	Bells Bells Black		Canisters
1224	Ink Jet Black		lbs
1317	Balls Tip Ball 1/2-in		"
1431	Sticks Iron 1/2 x 17		"
1432	" " 1/2-in, 1 x 17		"
1509	Balls Tip Top 5-in		Gross
1523	Access 1/2-in		Pair
1608	Belt 1/2 Men's size 1	1	"
1670	" " " 2	2	"
1671	" " " 3	3	"
1351	Belt Men Size 1		"
1362	" " " 2		"
1405	Sticks Heavy		"
1522	Tip Balling 2 1/2-in		"
1533	" " 3/4-in		"
1534	" " 3/8-in		"
1535	" " 3/4-in		"
1532	Tip Iron Boot Heel 2 1/2-in		"
1533	" " " 3/4-in		"
1534	" " " 3/8-in		"
1535	" " " 3/4-in		"
1573	Tip Iron Boot For 2 1/2-in		"
1574	" " " 3/4-in		"
1575	" " " 3/8-in		"
1576	" " " 3/4-in		"
1605	Tiping		lbs
1563	Belt Men Size 3		Pair

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10. Occasionally there will be emergency demands, in such cases, which should be very rare indeed, will you please insist that the commanding officer of a unit certifies the urgency of the need and states the reason.

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M. W. JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject: Demands for stores.

Info: J.A. & J.M.
S.F. 210

I.R.L.H. I.O.P.,
c/o Land Forces Sub-Com.,
50 MILLS ROAD,

Ref. 280/12/44.
April 30 1945.

Ref. MY 280/12/44 of 2nd April 1945.

1. It seems that the contents of this memorandum on Ordnance procedure are not fully understood or appreciated by units of 500 Coy.
2. With the partial exception of clothing and equipment which units have been demanding in bulk weekly, there has been little evidence of any attempt to follow a proper system of demand.
3. Demands are brought to me nearly every day for such items as paint, nails, accommodation stores, clothing etc required, almost invariably, "at once", on the pretext of urgency and to meet unexpected requirements.
4. There is a tendency to demand certain stores only when the need has become acute and to expect instant service. I suspect that the Central Storehouse is looked upon as a sort of wonderful big shop which can supply any article at any time.
5. There is also a tendency to ask for stores because they are known to be in the Storehouse, and without any consideration as to whether the unit demanding them is authorised or entitled to have them.
6. There is yet ~~any~~ another tendency of not asking for stores because it is thought they are not in the Storehouse.
7. All these tendencies are due to a misconception of the basic principles of demanding stores.
8. It would be appreciated if the following "rules" were adopted by all officers, connected with the stores administration in units, as the basic principles of demand.
 1. FIND OUT what your unit is AUTHORIZED to hold.
 2. DO NOT ASK for stores to which the unit is not entitled. You will not get them.
 3. If authorised stores are needed DEMAND them. That you do not ask for you will not receive.
 4. ASK DEMANDS according to instructions, in the CORRECT MANNER and at the RIGHT TIME.
 5. THINK AHEAD. Ask NOW for stores you know you will be requiring in two or three weeks time. If you wait it may

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 4. MAKE DEMANDS according to instructions, in the CORRECT MANNER and at the RIGHT TIME.
 5. THINK AHEAD. Ask HQ for stores you know you will be requiring in two or three weeks time. If you wait it may be too late and you will not receive your stores. **4036** need them.
 6. If you are uncertain ASK FOR ADVICE.
9. All you please discourage the prevalent habit of units sending in representatives to have demands authorized and the stores issued on the spot. This defeats any attempt to make accurate calculations in demanding stores from Base. With Bulk stores, unit officers only have to calculate their requirements over the next fifteen days, if they cannot do that I suggest that there is something radically wrong with their administrative work. With other stores, the Central Storehouse is not supposed to hold any stocks (if it did, it would become a Depot and not a Storehouse) - units MUST expect to WAIT for about three weeks until the stores arrive.

UNIT ACCOUNTING FOR STORES AND EQUIPMENT.

1. The commanding officer of every unit is personally responsible for the stores and equipment held by that unit.
2. Normally he will delegate the duties which this responsibility necessitates to one of his unit officers. In the British Army this officer is known as the Quarter-Master, and he is in charge of the unit stores, keeps accounts for such stores and makes the necessary demands for replacements.
3. No unit should hold any stores or equipment other than authorised by higher authority.
4. For Italian Combat Forces the authority for units to possess British equipment may be any of the following:-
 - (1) War Establishment
 - (2) Special Equipment List
 - (3) Normal Equipment List
 - (4) Training Scales authorised by Director of Military Training.

5. The unit officer nominated as Quarter-Master should first ascertain exactly what stores and equipment his unit is entitled to hold under any of the authorities mentioned in para 4 above.

6. He should then prepare ledgers, listing all the items to which his unit is entitled and inserting the authorised quantity in each case. He should use a separate ledger account for each authority, i.e., War Establishment, of S.E.L. of N.E.L. or Training Scales.

7. The proforma as at appendix "A" is recommended as a sample ledger sheet, but any other type will do provided it supplies the same information.

8. The essential points of the attached proforma are:-

- (1) The account reference number is quoted, for example the War Establishment serial number of the unit, or its S.E.L. number etc.
- (2) All the items included on the War Establishment, S.E.L. etc are listed on the ledger sheet(s)
- (3) The quantity of each item which the unit is authorised to hold is inserted.
- (4) As and when stores are received, the quantity is inserted under the item heading in the receipt column and against the date of receipt, as the stores may be disposed of, transferred to another unit, lost or destroyed, likewise the quantity is inserted under the item heading in the issues column against date.
- (5) By this means, against any item, the Quarter-Master can always readily ascertain the position of the stores he holds and compare it with the unit entitlement. He can then demand any deficiencies.
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9. War Establishment:- Every unit of RTC, ICF, has a War Establishment which gives the entitlement of personnel, weapons and vehicles of the unit. A ledger account can be prepared from this, to include all vehicles and weapons.

10. Special Equipment List:- Some units of RTC, ICF have S.E.L.'s relevant to their type of unit, e.g. Workshops Platoon, I.A.D., Field Hospital, Field Bakery, Transport Company etc. These units should be in possession of these S.E.L.'s and prepare Ledger accounts accordingly.

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11. Normal Equipments Lists. These are applicable to all units of RTO, ICP, They include 74 Tables of Stores, applicable to most units and based on scales such as the number of personnel of vehicles in a unit, and include such stores as clothing, equipment, tools, cleaning materials, cooking utensils etc. Each unit should prepare K.E.L. Ledger accounts according to its needs and within the scales laid down. There are not enough copies of K.E.L.'s available for distribution to all units but Quarter-Masters should consult HQ. RTC, ICP, to ascertain the scales of stores to which they are entitled.
12. Training Equipment. Units should prepare accounts based on instructions from Hq. RTC, ICP, in liaison with the British Training Staff.
13. Unit Quarter-Masters will base their demands solely on entitlements as above. At appendix "B" a sample copy of a British indent form is attached. Demands should be submitted by units giving the information required on that form.
14. Details governing the demand of stores within RTC, ICP, are governed by the instructions contained in D.A.D.O.S. "P" BLU letter ORD/12/29 dated 2nd April 1945.

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Reference: ORD/12/47
Date : May 16th 1945.


M.W. JEFFERY.

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D.A.D.O.S.

Subject: Control and Supervision of Central Storehouse.

To: Hq. RTG, ICP.
For information to: DAA & JAG, WFM B.L.U. ✓

WFM B.L.U.,
I.E.P.C., I.C.P.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,
AC (AMLA) Romm.

Ref: ORD/12/50
May 27th 1945.

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- (i) A complete stock check of all British Stores held by the Central Storehouse must be made and the figures certified by the Officer i/c. There-after no discrepancies will be accepted regarding such stores.
- (ii) An Italian Officer or Senior NCO must be appointed to the present DADOC Receipts Shed, preferably with a small staff. He will supervise the transfer of stores received from Base into Central Storehouse and satisfy himself that quantities and items are correctly vouchered. DADOC will not accept discrepancies after his checking.

2. Once these conditions have been fulfilled, the controlling authority for release of all Ordnance Stores to units of RTG, ICP will be entirely a matter for your own decision.

3. As DADOC I shall remain as the intermediary between your HQ and the sources of supply for Ordnance Stores, but I shall make demands for British items to replenish Central Storehouse or for Unit Stores only if initiated by you, and I shall not take automatic provision action as at present.

4. Further details can be discussed later. Will you inform me whether you are prepared to accept the recommendations of my para 1 above, and complete all necessary action before 15th June 1945. ?

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B. W. JEFFREY,
 Major
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Subject:- Unit accounting for Stores and Equipment.

To: HQ. ETC. ICF.

From: B.L.U.,

I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,
AC (MMIA) Rose.

For information to:

DAA & QMG "F" B.L.U. ✓

Ref: ORD/12/47a.
May 19th 1945.

1. Attached please find my ORD/12/47 and appendices A & B, together with 6 copies of the Italian translation.
2. As long as Italian Forces are equipped to British scales and with British Equipment, it is essential that the Italian Officers who deal with the administration of units or the handling of stores should be well informed on the question of such scales, and should interest themselves keenly upon the equipment situation in the units with which they are concerned.
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M. W. JEFFERY.

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Subject: Control and Supervision of Central Storehouse

TO:

HQ. ETC, ICF.

Re- information to:

D & QMG, "P" BLU.

22nd B.L.D.

I.R.T.C. I.

Ref: Ord/12/57

June 13th 1945

Further to my ORD/12/50 dated 27th May 1945.

1. As from the 15th June 1945 I propose to relinquish my control on the issue and distribution of Bulk Stores to units from Central Storehouse.

2. I recommend that the present procedure be continued, units submitting to you their bulk demands for clothing, personal equipment and other bulk stores such as paints, oils, rags, nails, grindery etc twice a month.

3. I would appreciate that copies of all stock returns from the Storehouse and from Regiments be passed to me for information and also copies of all your releases of stores to units.

4. This would mean that everything would remain as at present except that my countersignature would no longer be required for units to draw stores from Central Storehouse.

5. The procedure governing unit and training stores and the Transit Shed is to remain as at present.

6. I shall not make demands on Base either for Unit stores or Bulk Stores unless they are originated or approved by you. Thus the question of making demands and keeping sufficient stocks in Central Storehouse to meet future requirements becomes primarily your responsibility. Likewise, your HQ is responsible for watching the interests of ETC, ICF, with regards to equipment authorised against S.R.L's. N.E.L's, War Establishments and Training Scales.

7. O i/c Central Storehouse has passed me a note ~~of~~ the quantities of stores, item by item held by him (except for Blankets subject to a later check) I am accepting these figures, dated as at 9th June 1945, as being correct and verified.

8. Stores received from Base will be collected by O i/c Central Storehouse or his representative from DADOS Shed. Such stores will be

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7. C i/c Central Storehouse has passed me a note ~~stating~~ the quantities of stores, item by item held by him (except for Blankets subject to a later check) I am accepting these figures, dated as at 9th June 1945, as being correct and verified.
8. Stores received from Base will be collected by C i/c Central Storehouse or his representative from DADOS Shed. Such stores will be checked and quantities verified item by item in the presence of an Italian Officer or NCO on being transferred to Central Storehouse. Subsequent discrepancies will not be accepted. There is already a large quantity of stores awaiting collection from DADOS Shed.
9. Please acknowledge.


 M.W. JEFFERY.
 Major
 D.A.D.O.S.

our 18/6/45 [initials]

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Subject: Italian Officers as Prisoners of War from Egypt.

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U.S. MILITARY TRAINING & TRAINEES UNIT
I.S.O., I.S.S.

Ref: 00/24/3079

27 July 65.

To: H.Q.
I.S.O., I.O.P.

1. When Field Marshal Alexander visited this Centre, he expressed the impression of having really experienced and first quality Officers at a Training Centre which is the heads of the whole Italian Army.
2. As a result the Field Marshall and General Browning took a great deal of trouble to make the necessary arrangements. A senior British Officer was sent to Egypt purposely to select the most suitable officers and at great inconvenience special shipping facilities were provided to bring these officers to Caserta with the minimum delay.
3. It has come to my knowledge that some of these officers have been posted to Graged and have not been retained here for the purpose for which they were obtained.
4. If this is indeed the case I require an urgent explanation and a full report on the circumstances. Will you please let us have a reply to the following questionnaire, in duplicate (one copy for submission to H.Q.I.S.)
 - (1) How many officers arrived from Egypt?
 - (2) What were their approximate dates of arrival?
 - (3) Were any of them given leave on arrival?
 - (4) If so, what period of leave was granted?
 - (5) How many of these officers are at present in the Centre?
 - (6) How many officers have been posted to the Graged?
 - (7) Give the numbers posted to each of the five regiments and the total elsewhere.
 - (8) On whose authority were these postings made?

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1. When Field Marshal Alexander visited this Centre, he emphasized the importance of having really experienced and first quality Officers at a Training Centre which is the basis of the whole Indian Army.
2. As a result the Field Marshall and General Dearing took a great deal of trouble to make the necessary arrangements. A senior British Officer was sent to Egypt personally to select the most suitable officers and at great inconvenience special shipping facilities were provided to bring these officers to Omeira with the minimum delay.
3. It has come to my knowledge that some of these officers have been posted to Cyprus and have not been retained here for the purpose for which they were obtained.
4. If this is indeed the case I require an urgent explanation and a full report on the circumstances. Will you please let me have a reply to the following questions, in duplicate (one copy for submission to M.M.I.A.)

- (1) How many officers arrived from Egypt?
- (2) What were their approximate dates of arrival?
- (3) Were any of them given leave on arrival?
- (4) If so, what period of leave was granted?
- (5) How many of these officers are at present in the Service?
- (6) How many officers have been posted to the Cyprus?
- (7) Give the reasons pointed to each of the five groups and the reasons pointed elsewhere.
- (8) On whose authority were these postings made?
- (9) Why was I not informed that officers sent here on the special orders of the Field Marshall were being sent to places other than the which they were intended?
- (10) Give a general report on the circumstances attending the whole matter.

5. This matter was brought to my attention last night and in view of the very grave view which I take of the whole matter I wish to be in a position to submit my report to Higher Authority on Monday, 30 July. Please let me have your reply before 1600 hrs on that day.

MB/ab.
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Colonel.
 Commander of British Liaison
 & Trng. Unit CEF JIP

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REGIMENTAL SUPPLY COMPANY
GERMANY (WEST)

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subject:- 3 (IT) G.T. COY.

Ref : 2/1080/994/10
Tel : para 6688
Date: 28 July 1955.

TO :- ~~D.A.A. & Q.M.C.
"P" EL & W.~~

Reference your 001/12/55 dated 23 July 55.

1. After consultation with the A.D. S., this R.O., it has been ascertained that Italian G.T. companies with R.F.C. I.O.P., whilst being the responsibility of R.O. R.A., are not fully administered by R.F.C., who act merely in an advisory capacity.
2. Orders for R.O. spares and equipment for these units will therefore be passed by you through this office in the normal manner.

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DAA & QMG	<i>[initials]</i>
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A.D. S.	<i>[initials]</i> 1026
Schools	
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Yr. 29-3-55	<i>[initials]</i>

copy to:- ~~D.A.A. & Q.M.C. "P" EL & W.
"P" EL & W.~~

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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"

C.A.C.P.I.C.

Ufficio Personale ed affari vari

N° 03/II282/R1s di prot.

P.M. 92 ll 30 luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Ufficiali italiani ex prigionieri di guerra in Egitto.-

AL "P" B.T.U. - R.T.C. - I.G.F.

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- Riferimento foglio AG/2/I/1079 data 27 luglio 1945 -

In risposta ai quesiti formulati, si comunica quanto segue:

1°) Il numero totale degli ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia ed assegnati al Centro è di 127 dei quali 64 facenti parti del 1° scaglione e 63 del 2° (Allegato N° 1)

2°) Gli ufficiali si sono presentati al Centro alla "epicciolata". Non è quindi possibile enunciare una data di presentazione unica.

A richiesta si è in grado di precisare per ogni ufficiale la data di presentazione.

Comunque la presentazione del 1° scaglione ha avuto luogo tra il 24 aprile c.a. ed il 23 maggio 1945; quella del 2° scaglione fra il 12 giugno ed il 25 luglio c.a..

3°) e 4°) Gli ufficiali del 2° scaglione prima di presentarsi al Centro hanno usufruito di una licenza di 60.14 + il viaggio concessa direttamente dal Capo di S.M. dell'Esercito: alcuni di essi hanno, inoltre, ottenuto, sempre della suddetta Autorità e per necessità familiare, proprio durata variabile.

A quelli del 1° scaglione furono concesse brevi licenze.

Rispondendo poi a richiesta avanzata dagli enti dipendenti il comando

OGGETTO: Ufficiali italiani ex prigionieri di guerra in Egitto.

AL "P" B.T.U. - R.T.C. - I.G.F.

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A quelli del 1° scaglione furono concesse brevi licenze.

Rispondendo poi a richiesta avanzata dagli enti dipendenti il comando Divisione rispose (vedere allegato N° 2):

- in un primo tempo one, compatibilmente alle esigenze di servizio, agli ufficiali avrebbe potuto essere concessa altra breve licenza di durata tale da non superare, in aggiunta alla precedente, 20 gg. più al viaggio (foglio 03/5913/Ria data 9/5/1945);

- in un secondo tempo one, migliorata la situazione dei quadri gli ufficiali potessero usufruire a richiesta, della intera licenza, (detratti s'intende i giorni goduti), istituita per i reduci dalla prigionia dal Ministero della Guerra con circolare 4515/250/2 data

1/1/1.

20 giugno 1945. (foglio N° 6418/Ris data 25/6/1945).

5°) Attualmente si trovano al Centro N° 105 ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia. -

6°) e 7°) - Ai Gruppi di combattimento sono stati ridotti trasferiti N° 11 ufficiali così diversificati: (allegato N° I)

- N° 5 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Cremona"

- N° 6 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Folgore"

Inoltre:

- N° 1 ufficiale (cap. rtr. (b) s.p.e. MANI Milano) è stato trasferito al 406 Rgt. Pionieri in ottemperanza al dispaccio N° 2629/100/5/Nov. data 26/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.

- N° 1 ufficiale (cap. rtr. s.p.e. VALENTINO Vincenzo) è stato trasferito alla 226^a Divisione in ottemperanza al dispaccio N° 1/17389/Nov. data 5/7/1945 del Ministero Guerra.

- N° 1 ufficiale (cap. rtr. ~~---~~ s.p.e. SKENDERAY Xevda, (di nazionalità albanese) è stato trasferito al distretto militare di Parma in ottemperanza al dispaccio N° 1/15596/No. data 12/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.

- N° 7 ufficiali di complemento sono stati collocati in congedo. L'ordine a far luogo al provvedimento venne dato dallo S.M.R.E. con foglio 17592/Mob. data 7/giugno 1945 in risposta al quesito formulato da questo comando (vedesi allegato N° 3).

8°) I trasferimenti al gruppo di combattimento sono stati ordinati dal Ministero della Guerra con singoli disposti. -

9°) Per l'invio degli ufficiali al gruppo di combattimento coesistono i L.R.U., non è stato informato poiché questo comando riteneva che gli ufficiali reduci da prigionia fossero a disposizione del Centro al Cesano e per completare i gruppi di combattimento, come, d'altra parte, è sancito nel capo 2° del foglio 17592/Mob. del 7/6/c.a. dello S.M.R.E. (allegato 3/3). -

IL COMANDANTE

(Generale Ezio Vegni)

Ministero 4024



- No 5 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Cromona"
 - No 6 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Folgore"
- Inoltre:
- No 1 ufficiale (cap.ftr.(b) s.p.e.MANI Mileno) è stato trasferito al 405 Regt.Pionieri in ottemperanza al dispaccio No 2629/100/5/Nov.data 26/5/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
 - No 1 ufficiale (cap.ftr.s.p.e. VALENTINO Vincenzo) è stato trasferito alla 226^a Divisione in ottemperanza al dispaccio No I/17389/Nov.data 5/7/1945 del Ministero Guerra.
 - No 1 ufficiale (cap.ftr.s.p.e.SKENDERAY Kevdgo, (di nazionalità albanese) è stato trasferito al distretto militare di Parma in ottemperanza al dispaccio No I/15696/Mov. data 12/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
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- 8°) I trasferimenti al gruppo di Combattimento sono stati ordinati dal Ministero della Guerra con angoli dispacci.-
- 9°) Per l'invio degli ufficiali al gruppo di combattimento ceduto all' S.L.T.U., non è stato informato poiché questo comando riteneva che gli ufficiali reduci da prigionia fossero a disposizione del Cepz tre al Cesano e per completare i gruppi di combattimento, come, d'altra parte, è sancito nel capo 2° del foglio 17592/Mob.del 7/6/c.a. dello S.M.R.E. (allegato 3/3).-



IL COMANDANTE

(Generale Ezio Vegna)

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Allegato nr. 1 alla1° SCAGLIONE

- Assegnati al Centro	:	uff./li	nr.	64
- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento	:	"	"	5
- Trasferiti ad altri enti	:	"	"	1
- Inviati in licenza di convalescenza	:	"	"	1
- In forza al Centro alla data di oggi	:	"	"	53

2° SCAGLIONE

- Assegnati al Centro	:	uff./li	nr.	63
- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento	:	"	"	2
- Trasferiti ad altri enti	:	"	"	2
- Collocati in congedo	:	"	"	7
- In forza al Centro alla data di oggi	:	"	"	52

R I E P I L O G O

- Ufficiali giunti complessivamente al Centro, reduci dalla prigionia, totale.....nr.	127
- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento....."	11
- Trasferiti ad altri enti....."	3
- Inviati in licenza di convalescenza....."	1
- Collocati in congedo....."	7

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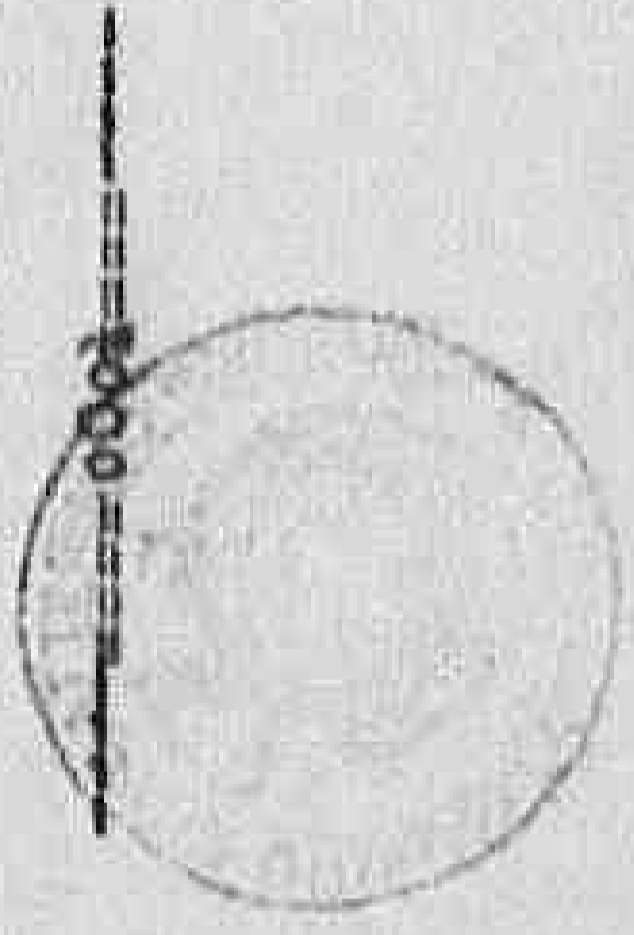
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 - In forza al Centro alla data di oggi : " " 53

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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICLINO"
C.A. 2.7.1.C.
Ufficio Pers. e Segreteria

Nr. 03/5963/Ris. di prot.

P. n. 92, 11 9 giugno 1945.

OGGETTO : Licenze ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia.

- AL COMANDO 1° REGT. ADD. COL. 2° TR. (235° regt. tr.)
- AL COMANDO 2° REGT. MIL. BATTERIA (336° regt. tr.)
- AL COMANDO REGT. ADD. ARTIGLIERIA (152° regt. art.)
- AL COMANDO RISTABILIMENTO ADDETTAMENTO UZZANO
- AL COMANDO CASERO ADDETTAMENTO ATTEUCCATO
- AL COMANDO REPARTO SERVIZI DIVISIONALE

e, per conoscenza:

- ALLO S. M. S. E. - CRY. del sottosegretario di S. M. E. P. n. 1800
- AL COMANDO SCUOLA

Alcuni ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia in seguito alle spedi-
ciose trattate ricevute dagli Alleati, chiedono la licenza di 28.45 pre-
vista dalla circolare 200500 del 31 gennaio 1945.

Prego fare osservare ai suddetti ufficiali che essi sono stati
liberati in via di concessione e sotto loro impegno di prestare servizio nel-
l'esercito, e se la loro liberazione è stata d'eccezione anche d'eccezione
è la licenza che può essere loro concessa, in relazione all'impegno assunto.
Pertanto i comandi di reclutamento potranno concedere, in aggiun-
ta alla breve licenza da essi goduti, altra breve licenza compatibilmente
alle esigenze del servizio e tale da non coprire in totale i giorni 20.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
Elio Vegni



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000000: Messaggio ufficiali reduci della prigionia.

- AL COMANDO 1° REG. ADD. COL. P.M. (235° regt. ftr.)
- AL COMANDO 2° REG. RPL. CASERIA (336° regt. ftr.)
- AL COMANDO REG. ADD. Artiglieria (152° regt. art.)
- AL COMANDO RABBI ENTO ABBESPRAMENTO CENIO
- AL COMANDO CAMIO AMMISTRAENTO AFFERDATO
- AL COMANDO SEPARTO SERVICI DIVISIONALE

e, per concessione:

ALLO S. A. S. C. - Off. del sottosepo di S. . . = P. . . 3800 =

AL COMANDO SCUOLE

Alcuni ufficiali reduci della prigionia in seguito alle episciale trattamento ricevuto dagli Alleati, chiedono la licenza di 28.45 prevista dalla circolare 200500 del 31 gennaio 1945.

Prego fare osservare ai suddetti ufficiali che essi sono stati liberati in vis di eccezione e sotto loro impegno di prestare servizio nell'esercito, e se la loro liberazione è stata d'eccezione anche d'eccezione è la licenza che può essere loro concessa, in relazione all'impegno assunto.

Per tanto i comandi di regresso potranno considerare, in aggiunta alla breve licenza da essi godute, altra breve licenza compatibile alle esigenze del servizio e tale da non superare in totale i giorni 20. =



IL SUPERIORE COMANDANTE
f. to Mario Vegni

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Segue Allegato nr. 2

COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICHO"
G.A.C. 7. I. G.
Ufficio Pers. e Segreteria

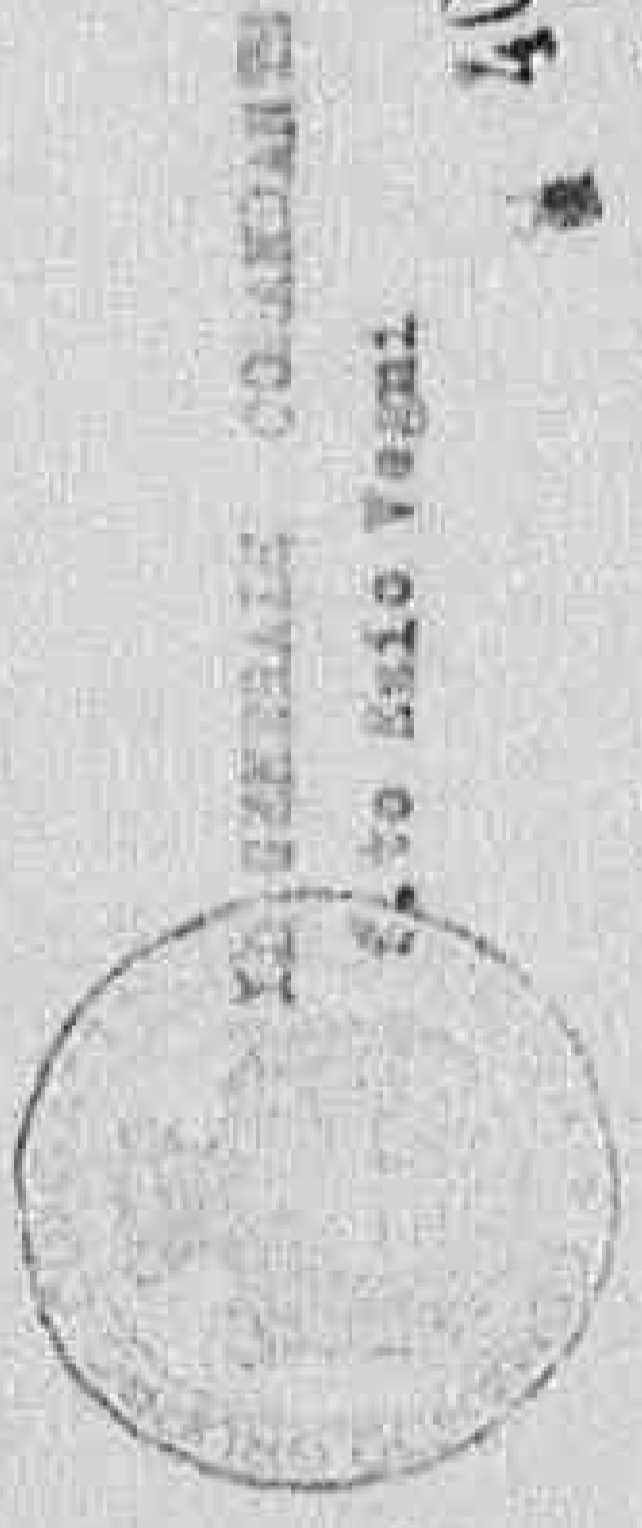
Mr. 03/6418/Rim. di prot. P.n. 92, li 25 giugno 1945.-
OGGETTO : licenze ufficiali reduci della prigionia.

- AL COMANDO 1° REG. ASS. CIV. I. ER. (235 er. s. s. r.)
 - AL COMANDO 2° REG. CIV. SAN MARINA (136 er. s. s. r.)
 - AL COMANDO REG. ASS. ANGIUNIERIA (132 er. s. s. r.)
 - (vic. f. c. 01/7568/Ris. data 16 c. s.)
 - AL COMANDO MAGGIORATO ABBESTIA PER TO SERVIZIO
 - AL COMANDO CAPO ABBESTIA PER TO SERVIZIO
 - AL COMANDO REGATO SERVIZI DIVISIONALE
- e, per conoscenza:
AL COMANDO BUCCHIA

-seguito foglio 03/3963/Ris. data 9 corrente -

Con riferimento alle proposte formulate da un comando di reggimento ritengo opportuno precisare che le disposizioni da me impartite con il foglio cui faccio seguito, riflettono la necessità di non aggravare l'attuale difficile situazione dei quadri permanenti del Centro.

Hanno quindi un valore contingente e non precludono la possibilità di applicare integralmente, a situazione migliorata, la circolare ministeriale relativa all'argomento.



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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"
C.A.C.F.I.C.
Ufficio Pers. e Segreteria

01/5154/Ris. di prof.

P.M. 92, li 26 maggio 1945.

OGGETTO: collocamento in congedo di ufficiali di complemento provenienti dalla prigionia di guerra, con residenza in territorio libero.

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO

- Sezione Mobilitazione -
(rif. G. 16292/Mob. del 3 corrente)

= P. M. 3600 =

e, per conoscenza:

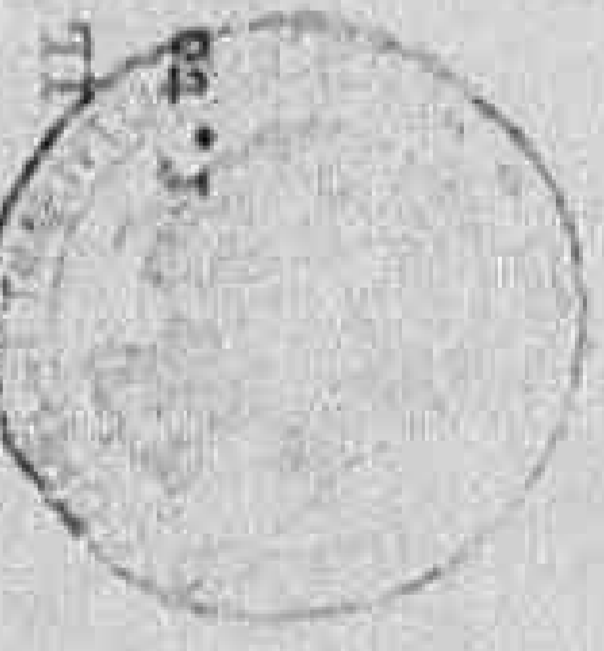
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

- Direzione Generale Personale Ufficiali

= R O M A =

Si prega comunicare se le disposizioni contenute nel telegramma del Ministero della Guerra nr. 934/250/2/Mov. del 7 febbraio 1945 (allegato in copia) siano applicabili agli ufficiali di complemento che fanno parte dello scaglione di 63 ufficiali recentemente riammistrati della prigionia ed assegnati a questo Centro.

d'ordine



IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
K. to (B. Malvasi)

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Forse allegato n. 3/
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TELEGRAMMA

GUERRA UFFICIALI NR.934/250/2/NOV. AT COMILITER ROMA, NAPOLI, BARI, PALERMO,
COMILITER CATANZARO, CAGLIARI, DELEGAZIONE "T" S.M.R.E., DEPOSITO ADDESTRAMENTO
COMPLEMENTI FORZE ITALIANE DI COMBATTIMENTO, COMANDO GENERALE CC.RR.
ROMA ALT UFFICIALI FANTERIA, ARTIGLIERIA, CAVALLERIA CON RESIDENZA IN TER-
RITORIO LIBERATO ED ACCESSIBILE CUI LETTERA b) CIRCOLARE 707/250/2/ DATA
31 GENNAIO 1945 DEVONO ESSERE COLLOCATI IN CONGEDO ALT

PRO MINISTRO GENERALE DIVISIONE FALUGI



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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Uff. Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

Nr. 17592/Mob. di prot.

P.M. 3800, 11 7 giugno 1945.-

OGGETTO : collocamento in congedo di ufficiali di complemento provenienti dalla prigionia di guerra.-

AL COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO" (C.A.C.P.I.C.) = P.M. 92 =
(rif. f. 03/5154/Ric. del 26/5/1945)

e, per conoscenza:

- ALL'UFFICIO COORDINAMENTO SEDS
- ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE PERSONALE UFFICIALI SEDS
- ALL'UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE SEDS
- ALL'UFFICIO OPERAZIONE E ADDESTRAMENTO SEDS

I. - Le disposizioni di cui al telegramma della Direzione Generale Personale Ufficiali nr. 934/250/2/Nov. del 7.2.45, debbono essere applicate anche nei confronti degli ufficiali facenti parte dello scaglione di 63 recentemente rimpatriati dalla prigionia ed assegnati a codesto Centro.

II. - Quanto sopra, ben inteso, dopo aver assicurato l'impiego dei vari Gruppi di combattimento, comandi, reggimenti, scuole ed avere effettuato la selezione, conformemente a quanto prescritto dal foglio 16292/Mob. del 3/5/1945.-

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE M 4018
P. Ronco

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SUBJECT: Ex P.O.W. - Italian Officers from Egypt.

'F' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref: HQ/2/1/1101

31 July 45.

To: H.Q.
R.T.C., I.C.F.

1. I have read your report in reply to my letter of 27 July with much interest and relief.
2. It would appear that I was incorrectly informed and I am very pleased to learn that out of the total of 127 Officers who came from Egypt, 105 are still on the strength of the Centre.
3. In view of this satisfactory position, there is no necessity to refer the position to M.H.I.A. and I am therefore filing the correspondence in case the subject should be brought up again at a later date.
4. I would like to thank you for the thoroughness and promptitude with which you replied to my letter and to express my satisfaction that my fears have been proved to be without foundation.

JW

Colonel.
Commander 'F' British Liaison &
Training Unit RMC ICF

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 SUMMARY: Transport and Duties of D.A.D.S.S.

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'P' British Liaison & Training Unit
 R.F.C., I.C.P.

Ref: AO/2/1/1115

2 August 45.

To: D.M.P.
 A.C.H.Q.

The Director has drawn my attention to certain matters connected with the above subject.

Tools.

This has been and still is, the crux of the maintenance problem. Ordnance have only been able to supply tools in brackets -- the majority of incidents are returned marked 'N.A.' while some are filled by substitution of unsuitable alternatives. This applies to petrol pipe extenders in lieu of air pressure extenders. There is no question of drawing tools on specific occasions. We are lucky to get any and must accept them gratefully. Our last indent for 200 complete sets, especially passed by Commander R.A.A.C., has so far produced 200 fire extinguisher brackets -- less extinguishers, and 200 assorted tyre levers!! There are not sufficient tools in the Centre to make up a decent tool kit for twenty vehicles. Those which were sent were "scrapped" from every possible source by the determination of my late R.A.A.C. Officer. They are essentially not of the correct type.

What we really require is 450 complete sets of tools, but if our modest demand for 200 could be filled it would make an enormous difference. The fact appears to be that there are no tools in the theatre.

D.A.D.S.S. Duties.

I am in entire agreement with what Capt. Moore says regarding the responsibility of one officer assuming responsibility for the formation of a C.I. Company, and for the vitally important function of R.I. Instruction. This, however, was forced on us by the decision to train and organise No.3 C.I. Coy. at this Centre.

In my opinion D.A.D.S.S. requires such more assistance and a request for modification of the War Establishment of this unit to enable this to be done is being submitted as soon as the full scope of the re-organisation programme, now being prepared, together with revised W.E. for every unit in the Centre, is appreciated.

In the meantime I have made Major Bradley R.I. officer for the whole Centre with a view to ensuring that the quite excellent orders issued by General

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D.A.D.S.'s Duties.

I am in entire agreement with what Capt. Moore says regarding the responsibility of one officer assuming responsibility for the formation of a G.P. Company, and for the vitally important function of M.I. instruction. This, however, was forced on us by the decision to train and organise No. 1 G.I. Coy. at this Centre.

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In the meantime I have made Major Bradley M.I. officer for the whole Centre with a view to ensuring that the quite excellent orders issued by General Vignani on the whole subject of M.I. discipline, are not allowed to be ignored. General Vignani is undoubtedly trying and I think the supervision and energy of Major Bradley will be the best way of ensuring that the essential improvement required, and ordered for, in these orders does in fact materialise.

I shall look forward to the opportunity of discussing Col. de Clifford's proposal for M.I. training in the Italian Army. The problem is really one of discipline rather than of technical incapacity. I believe there are signs of a somewhat better spirit developing but it will be a very slow business.

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I attach copy of D.A.D.S.N.'s report to me on the points raised
by the Director.

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Colonel,
Commander 1st British Division &
Striking Unit 1000 200

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REPORT BY D.A.D.S.F.
 W. British Liaison &
 Training Unit KFU ICF.

27 July '45.

SUBJECT :- D & M School.

Tools.

1. The difficulty experienced is the non-availability of many items demanded from DOD.
 Orders submitted are returned marked "N.A. Items will be made when stocks permit".

The School has been supplied with:

Spanners D.S.
 " " T-wrench.
 " " Adjustable.
 Files.
 Screwdrivers, large.

2. Only 10 grease guns have been received from DOD, the balance of 65 demanded being W/A. These, with the few guns received on vehicles, allow essential lubrication to be carried out, but are inadequate for the standard of maintenance desired.

3. The following items demanded are not available :-

Grease Guns for Dodge, Chev, Ford, Austin 3-tonners.
 Tummy bars for tubular spanners.
 Engines cleaning brushes.
 3-ton Jacks.
 Screwdrivers, small.
 Sparking plug spanners.

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4. The "petrol pipe extenders" mentioned were actually metal air pump connectors issued "in lieu of" flexible rubber air pump connectors due to an error in the part number quoted on the original demand. An amended incident has been submitted.

5. All tools issued by the School are maintained in a Central pool and issued on loan during maintenance periods. This is essential to avoid loss and theft which occur if the items were issued to each vehicle.

6. Ref para 3. The formation, organisation, training and equipping "from scratch" of a complete Italian G.P. Coy is truly a full time job for a single British Officer and the amount of supervision able to be given to the D & M School, the supply Depot, Bakery, P.P etc, has had to be reduced while No. 3 G.P. Coy is being formed. M.I. Instruction is

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7. Due to a report by this HQ to SAC ICF on the bad state of maintenance of the D & M School vehicles the officer commanding has been relieved of his appointment and Maggiore VIVALDI, the present O C, posted in lieu a few weeks before the ICF inspection. There has been a marked improvement which continues.

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PERSONAL

From : Brigadier S.H. SHOOSMITH, DSO, OBE.
D.M.T. A.F.E.Q. C.L.F.

Tel : 16950

25th July 1945.

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My dear Nares,

I had a talk last night with de Clifford who was responsible for the report on the M.T. maintenance at the IVC Cesano. He and some of his officers made a number of points which I am passing on to you unofficially so that you can investigate them and take such action as you consider necessary.

Capt Moore, who carried out part of the inspection, stated that the D and M School had virtually no suitable tools. When he asked them to produce their tools, he was shown a collection of some 700 tools of all types. In his opinion none of these tools were of the correct type. It appears that the personnel who collected the tools for the D and M School from the Ordnance Depot were either extremely ignorant, or were deceived by the Ordnance people. To quote one example, they were issued with petrol pipe extendors instead of air pressure extendors. I do not know what the true story is, but I am sure you will find out. It would appear advisable for a British officer or qualified NCO to attend at Ordnance Depots when stores, particularly complicated items such as tools etc are drawn. As soon as you have investigated these points will you let my staff know as soon as possible what tools are required. I am told that all you have to do, in fact, is to indent on Ordnance at BAAC in accordance with your catalogue "SPECIAL EQUIPMENT LIST" and Ordnance will provide.

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I know you are alive to this problem, but I thought I would pass on the points which came out as a result of my informal discussion with de Clifford. Let me know if there is anything I can do directly or indirectly to help.

Yours ever,
J. M. Macrae

Col L. E. MACRAE,
 "F" Bn and TU.,
 REC ICF.,
 C.M.F.

*SET staff memo
 (1948/1949)*

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Allegato nr. 1

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1° SCAGLIONE

- Assegnati al Centro	:	uff/li	nr.	64
- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento	:	"	"	9
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- Inviati in licenza di convalescenza	:	"	"	1
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- Trasferiti ai Gruppi di Combattimento	:	"	"	2
- Trasferiti ad altri enti	:	"	"	2
- Collocati in congedo	:	"	"	7
- In corso al Centro alla data di oggi	:	"	"	52

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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"

G.A.C.F.I.C.

Ufficio Pers. e Segreteria

Nr. 03/5563/Ris. di prot.

P.M. 92, li 9 giugno 1945.-

O G G E R T O : Licenze ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia.-

AL COMANDO 1° REGT. ADD. CPL. FTR. (235°rgt.ftr.)
AL COMANDO 2° REGT. SEL. PANTERIA (336°rgt.ftr.)
AL COMANDO REGT. ADD. ARTIGLIERIA (152°rgt.art.)
AL COMANDO REGGIMENTO ADDESTRAMENTO GENIO
AL COMANDO CAMPO ADDESTRAMENTO ATENDATO
AL COMANDO REPARTO SERVIZI DIVISIONALE

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO S.M.R.E. -Uff. del Sottocapo di S.M. = P.M. 3800 =
AL COMANDO SCUOLE

Alcuni ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia in seguito allo speciale trattamento ricevuto dagli Alleati, chiedono la licenza di 65.45 prevista dalla circolare 200500 del 31 gennaio 1945.-

Prego fare osservare ai suddetti ufficiali che essi sono stati liberati in via di eccezione e sotto loro impegno di prestare servizio nell'esercito, e se la loro licenziazione è stata d'eccezione anche d'eccezione è la licenza che può essere loro concessa, in relazione all'impegno assunto. Pertanto i comandi di reggimento potranno concedere, in aggiunta

alla breve licenza da essi goduta, altra breve licenza compatibilmente alle esigenze del servizio e tale da non superare in totale i giorni 20.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE

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Uff. to Mario Vegni

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AL COMANDO REPARO SERVIZI DIVISIONALE

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AL COMANDO SCUOLE

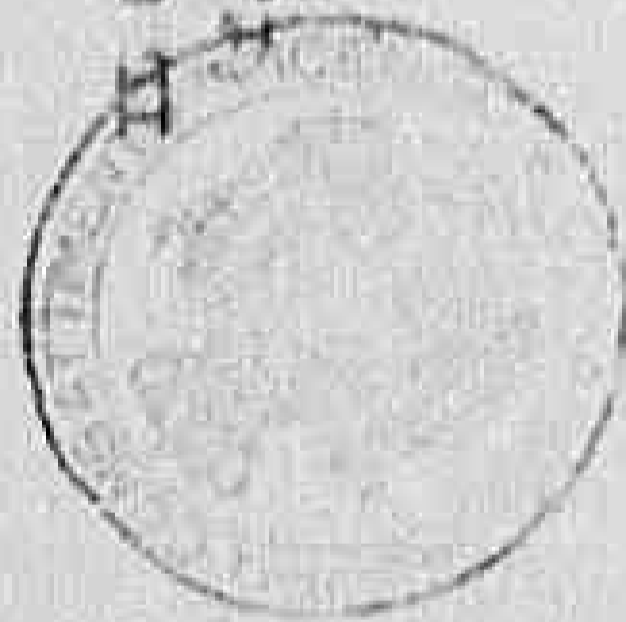
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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
M. to Ezio Vegni



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Allegato nr. 2/c

COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"
C.A.C.F.I.C.
Ufficio Pers. e Segreteria

Nr. 03/6415/Ris. di prot. P.M. 92, li 25 giugno 1945.-

OGGETTO : licenze ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia.-

- AL COMANDO 1° REGT. ADD. CEN. FER. { 235° regt. f. tr. }
- AL COMANDO 2° REGT. C.P. FANTERIA { 336° regt. f. tr. }
- AL COMANDO REGT. ADD. ARTIGLIERIA { 152° regt. art. }
- (rif. f. 01/1568/Ris. data 16 c.m.)
- AL COMANDO REGGIMENTO ADDESTRAMENTO GENIO
- AL COMANDO CAPO ADDESTRAMENTO ATTENDATO
- AL COMANDO REPARTO SERVIZI DIVISIONALE

e, per conoscenza:
AL COMANDO SCUOLE

-seguito foglio 03/5963/Ris. data 9 corrente -

Con riferimento alle proposte formulate da un comando di reggimento ritengo opportuno precisare che le disposizioni da me impartite con il foglio cui faccio seguito, riflettono la necessità di non aggravare l'attuale difficile situazione dei quadri permanenti del Centro.

Hanno quindi un valore contingente e non precludono la possibilità di applicare integralmente, a situazione migliorata, la circolare Ministeriale relativa all'argomento.-



IL GENERALE COMANDANTE

F. to Ezio Vegni

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Signo all'alto N. 3/4

COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICCOLO"
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Ufficio Pers. e Segreteria

03/5154/Rin. di prot.

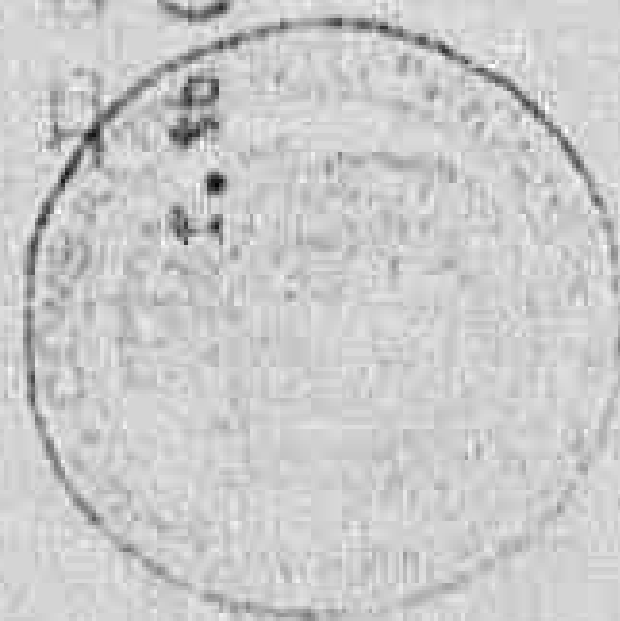
P. N. 51, 11 26 maggio 1945.-

OGGETTO: collocamento in congedo di ufficiali di complemento provenienti dalla prigionia di guerra, con residenza in territorio libero.

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO Esercito
- Sezione Mobilitazione -
(refer. 2.16292/Mob. del 3 corrente) = P. N. 3600-
s, per conoscenza:
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- Direzione Generale Personale Ufficiali = R. O. M. A. =

Si prega comunicare su le disposizioni contenute nel telegramma del Ministero della Guerra nr. 934/250/2/Mob. del 7 febbraio 1945 (allegato in copia) siano applicabili agli ufficiali di complemento che fanno parte della sezione di 63 ufficiali (preesistentemente riassegnati della prigionia ed assegnati a questo Centro. =

d'ordine
COLONNELLO CARO DI S. ...
f. 50 (B. Malavasi)



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Amor Aligato N. 3/
COPIA 2

TELEGRAMMA

GUERRA UFFICIALI NR. 934/250/2/UV. AI COMILITER ROMA, NAPOLI, BARI, PALERMO, COMILITER CATANZARO, CAGLIARI, DELEGAZIONE "2" S. P. R. E., DEPOSITO AMMINISTRATIVO COMPLENNTI FORZE ITALIANE DI COMBATTIMENTO, COMANDO GENERALE CC. RR. ROMA AI UFFICIALI FANTERIA, ARTIGLIERIA, CAVALLERIA CON RESIDENZA IN TERRITORIO LIBERATO ED ACCESSIBILE CHE LETTERA B) CIRCOLARE 707/250/2/ DATA 31 GENNAIO 1945 DEVONO ESSERE COLLEGATI IN CONSENSO ALF



MINISTRO GENERALE DIVISIONE FALUGI

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Segue Allegato nr. 3/3

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFF. Ordinamento e Mobilitazioni

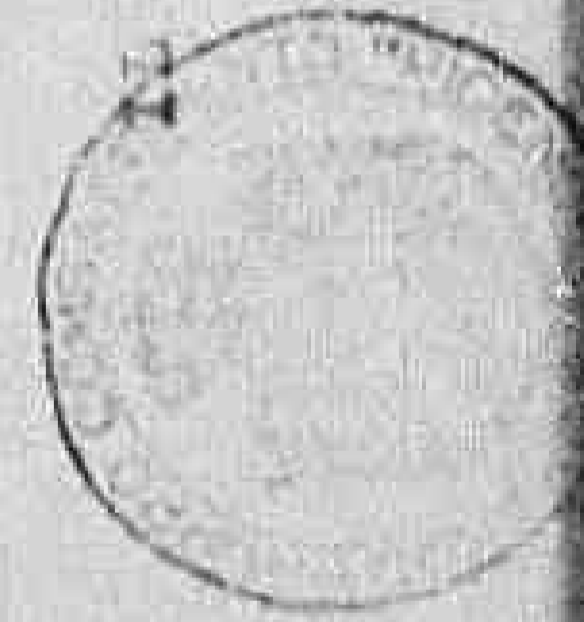
Nr. 17592/Mod. di prof. P.M. 3800, 11 7 giugno 1945.-
GUERRA : collocamento in congedo di ufficiali di complemento provenienti dalla prigionia di guerra.-

AL COMANDO DIVISIONE "PIEMONTE" (C.A.C.I.I.C.) = P.M. 92 =
(rif. f. 03/5154/Ris. del 26/5/1945)

- a, per conoscenza:
- ALL'UFFICIO COORDINAMENTO
- ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE PERSONALE UFFICIALI
- ALL'UFFICIO SUEDESMIA E PERSONALE
- ALL'UFFICIO OPERAZIONE E ADDESTRAMENTO
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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
E. Ronco
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20 giugno 1945. (foglio N° 6418/Ris data 25/6/1945).
5°) Attualmente si trovano al Centro N° 105 ufficiali reduci della prigionia. -

- 6°) e 7°) - Ai Gruppi di combattimento sono stati finora trasferiti N° 11 ufficiali così distribuiti: (allegato N° 1)
- N° 5 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Cremona"
- N° 6 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Polgore"

Inoltre:

- N° 1 ufficiale (cap. fr. (b) S.P.E. ANI Milano) è stato trasferito al 406 Rgt. Pionieri in osservanza al dispaccio N° 2529/IOE /5/Nov. data 26/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
- N° 1 ufficiale (cap. fr. S.P.S. VIGNONZINO Vincenzo) è stato trasferito alla 228^a Divisione in Ottobrara al dispaccio N° I/I7389/Nov. data 5/7/1945 del Ministero Guerra.
- N° 1 ufficiale (cap. fr. S.P.E. EXEMDERAY Levdat, di nazionalità albanese) è stato trasferito al distretto militare di Parma in ottemporanza al dispaccio N° I/I5895/Nov. data 12/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
- N° 7 ufficiali di complemento sono stati collocati in congedo. L'ordine a tal luogo al provvedimento venne dato dallo S. R.S. con foglio I7592/ob. data 7/giugno 1945 in risposta al quesito formulato da questo comando (vedere allegato N° 3).
- 8°) I trasferimenti al Gruppo di combattimento sono stati ordinati dal Ministero della Guerra con angoli dispacci. -
- 9°) Per l'invio degli ufficiali al Gruppo di combattimento congedato S. R.S. non è stato informato poiché questo comando riteneva che gli ufficiali reduci da prigionia fossero a disposizione del COM tra il Casone e per completare i gruppi di combattimento, come, d'altra parte, è sancito nel capo 2° del foglio I7592/ob. del 7/6/o.g. dello S. R.S. (allegato 3/3). -



IL COLONNATO
(Generale Lino Vagni)

Chirvegi 4005

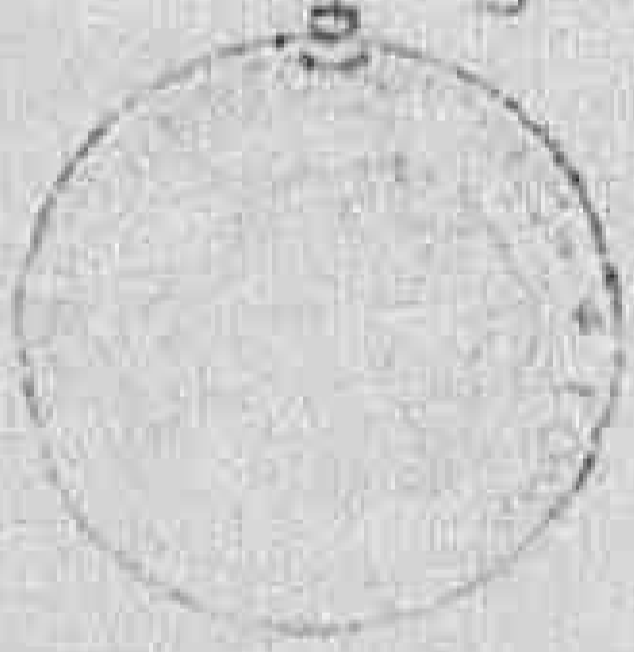
- N° 5 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Grosvenor"
- N° 5 ufficiali al Gruppo Combattimento "Polgore"

Inoltre:

- N° 1 ufficiale (cap.rrr. (b) s.p.e. - ALI Milano) è stato trasfe-
rito al 406 Reg. Fucilieri in contemporanea al dispaccio N° 2629/10X
(5/Nov. data 26/6/1945 del Ministero della Guerra.
- N° 1 ufficiale (cap.rrr. s.p.e. VINCENZO VINCENTO) è stato trasfe-
rito alla 228^a Divisione in contemporanea al dispaccio N° I/17369/
20v. data 5/7/1945 del Ministero Guerra.)
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lità albanese) è stato trasferito al distretto militare di Parma
in ottobre anno al dispaccio N° I/15055/Nov. data 12/6/1945 del
Ministero della Guerra.

- N° 7 ufficiali di complemento sono stati collocati in congedo.
L'ordine e per luogo di provvedimento viene data dallo S. S. R. S.
con foglio 17592/ob. data 7/ giugno 1945 in risposta al quesito
formulato da questo comando (ved. allegato N° 3).

- 2°) I trasferimenti al gruppo di Combattimento sono stati ordinati dal
Ministero della Guerra con singoli dispacci.
- 3°) Per l'invio degli ufficiali al gruppo di combattimento "Grosvenor"
B. L. R. U., non è stato informato perché questo comando riteneva che
gli ufficiali reduci da prigionia fossero a disposizione del Com-
tro di Cesano e per compiere i gruppi di combattimento, come, d'al-
tra parte, è sancito nel capo 2° del foglio 17592/ob. del 7/6/o.s.
dello S. S. R. S. (allegato 1/3).



IL COMANDANTE
(Generale Eric Vegni)

Chirvegi 4005

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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICNO"

S.A.C.F.I.C.

Ufficio Personale ed affari vari

№ 56
? *affari*

№ 03/11282/318 di prot.

2.7.92 11 30 luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Ufficiali italiani ex prigionieri di guerra in Egitto.

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AL "P" B.T.U. - R.T.U. - I.G.P. - S.E.D.E.

folio 48.

- Riferimento foglio 89/21/1079 data 27 luglio 1945 -

In risposta ai quesiti formulati, si comunica quanto segue:

1°) Il numero totale degli ufficiali reduci dalla prigionia ed assegnati al Centro è di 127 dei quali 64 facenti parti del 1° scaglione e 63 del 2° (Allegato N° 1)

2°) Gli ufficiali si sono presentati al Centro alla "epicicleta". Non è quindi possibile enunciare una data di presentazione unica.

A richiesta si è in grado di precisare per ogni ufficiale la data di presentazioni.

Comunque la presentazione del 1° scaglione ha avuto luogo tra il 24 aprile c.a. ed il 23 maggio 1945; quella del 2° scaglione fra il 12 giugno ed il 25 luglio c.a..

3°) e 4°) Gli ufficiali del 2° scaglione prima di presentarsi al Centro hanno usufruito di una licenza di 14.14 + il viaggio concesso direttamente dal Capo di S.A. dell'Esercito; alcuni di essi hanno, inoltre, ottenuto, sempre dalla suddetta Autorità e per necessità familiari, un'indennità di 400.000 lire.

A quelli del 1° scaglione furono concesse brevi licenze.

Rispondendo poi a richiesta avanzata dagli enti dipendenti il comando Divisione Risorse (necessari allegati N° 2).

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OGGETTO: UFFICIALI E FAMIGLIE DI PRIGIONIERI DI GUERRA IN EGITTO.

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AL N° B. T. U. - R. T. C. - I. S. P. S E D E

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folio 48.

- Riferimento foglio AO/2/1/1079 data 27 luglio 1945 -

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- 2°) Gli ufficiali si sono presentati al Centro alla "spicciolata". Non è quindi possibile annunciare una data di presentazione unica. A richiesta si è in grado di precisare per ogni ufficiale la data di presentazione.

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A quelli del 1° scaglione furono concesse brevi licenze.

Rispondendo poi a richiesta avanzata dagli enti dipendenti il comando Divisione risposta (vedasi allegato N° 2):

- in un primo tempo che, compatibilmente alle esigenze di servizio, agli ufficiali avrebbe potuto essere concessa altra breve licenza di durata tale da non superare, in aggiunta alla precedente, 20 gg. di viaggio (foglio 03/5513/Ris data 9/6/1945);
- in un secondo tempo che, migliorata la situazione dei quadri gli ufficiali potessero usufruire a richiesta, della intera licenza, (c.d. d. e' intendi i giorni goduti), attribuita per i reduci della prigionia del Ministero della Guerra con circolare 4515/250/2 date

1/1/1.

Subject: Administration.

"F" British Liaison & Training

To: Commandant,

Unit, RTG, IOP.

via B.S.A. T.O.

Ref: GAD/4/9

July 27th 1945.

1. Almost daily this office has to send about six or more observations to HQ, RTG, IOP, concerning Indents, Receipt Vouchers, Part X Orders, Census Returns, Stock Reports etc, because there are incorrectly submitted or contain wrong information.
2. Almost invariably these observations are on matters of routine details, small elementary things where the language difficulty is practically of no consequence, and where in any case written instructions have been given in Italian.
3. I find it more and more irritating to sign these observations which are a continuous repetition of each other.
4. The number of times I have sent back Stores Vouchers because Italian Officers apparently cannot or do not bother to read a very simple instruction telling them to append their signature and add their name, rank, appointment or unit in clear letters or by the use of a stamp, is just nobody's business.
5. Every month I have to send back several Census Returns because Units do not follow instructions.
6. Many units seem incapable of writing down correctly their unit name and often suddenly lose their memory as to their W.S. No. There is also some carelessness in the mere copying of Vehicle X.D. Nos.
7. HQ, RTG, IOP, are well aware of all instructions governing the submission of all these documents. Many (and there is no reason why this should not be all) documents pass through their hands before they reach me. Strictly speaking THEY administer the units, NOT THIS OFFICE. I respectfully suggest that it is the duty of HQ, RTG, IOP, to check all such documents before they reach me.
8. Another point is that I have ^{had} to complain more than once of faulty stock returns from Central Storehouse, and did so only yesterday. To me the fault appears to be in that there is an officer in charge of that storehouse who is chair-bound in his office and has not a very enquiring mind as to what is going on in the shops.

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9. The Central Storehouse is not under my jurisdiction, but faulty information therefrom, is likely to affect any provision action I take eventually to replenish stocks.

10. Lastly, the question of punctuality. Only yesterday I requested HQ. RTC, ICF, to instruct all units that Part X Orders should be submitted within twenty-four hours of a vehicle casualty, and not six weeks later as in some instances recently.

11. Your support would be appreciated to effect a remedy to what is a source of perpetual irritation over elementary (but essential) details in administration.

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W. W. Jeffery
W. W. JEFFERY.
Major. D.A.D.O.S.

SUBJECT: Policy - General.

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'P' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.T.O., I.C.F.

REF: AQ/2/1/303

29 Sept. 45.

To: H.Q.
R.T.O., I.C.F.

Reference this H.Q. letter G/a.14/303 dated 28 Sept. 45.

1. The recommendations set out in the above mentioned letter are now being investigated and as far as possible implemented by this Headquarters.
2. Reference paragraph 2(a).
The clothing situation is being scanned very carefully. All clothing has been indented for. It has not yet arrived but hastening instructions have been given to the responsible authority.
3. When the Clothing arrives the Instructors Course at the Infantry School should have priority of issue.
4. Reference paragraph 2(b).
Please arrange that telephone communication is laid on immediately.

E.I.B.

Major Innicks.
DAA & QMG.

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COMANDO DIVISIONE MILITARE

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Comando

Ufficio addestramento

Sezione ordinamento e mobilitazione

URBENTE

NO 90/4807 /Ord. di mob.

Genova di Roma, li 17 febbraio 1945

90/4807 R. di mobilitazione reparti.

- AL COMANDO 2° REG. ARABICO, FIR. (135° Reg. Par.)
- AL COMANDO 2° REG. ARABICO, FIR. (136° Reg. Par.)
- AL COMANDO GRUPPO MOBILITAZIONE ARABICO
- AL COMANDO III BATTAGLIONE (135° Reg. Par.)

*, per conoscenza

ALL'OFF. B. M. & F. U.

ALL'UFFICIO SERVIZI - Sezione Trasporti

ALL'UFFICIO SERVIZI - Sezione Spz. -

ALL'UFFICIO TRASPORTI

ALL'UFFICIO B. M. - Sezione Spz.

AL COMANDO UBOLS - Ufficio addestramento

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- 1 - Sotto la data del 22 corrente saranno scelti i seguenti reparti:
 - III Battaglione 135° Fanteria
 - 1° Battaglione 136° Fanteria (quadro)
- 2 - Il personale che si renderà disponibile per ogni battaglione verrà così utilizzato:
 - n° 25 (venticinque) uomini - tre ufficiali sottufficiali e truppe - truppe dei ricognitori assegnati per l'eventuale ricostituzione del Battaglione suddetti
 - 4 riserve militari saranno avviati al campo addestramento AF - tendone che li ricolmerà negli alloggi in partenza nella settimana 22-28 corrente.
 - Riserva di dispesizioni di sostegno circa l'avvicinamento.
- 3 - Il Comando del 2° Reg. Abd. Fir. e quello del III Battaglione 135° Fir. sono pregati di comunicare entro le ore 15 del 20 corrente il numero di militari, distinti per arma e per grado, che saranno trasferiti al Campo Addestramento, in osservanza al presente foglio.
- 4 - Il Comandante del III Battaglione 135° Fir. disprezza 4001
 - per il versamento dei materiali al proprio magazzino eventuali necessità di mezzi trasporto siano inoltrate in tempo utile allo Ufficio Servizi - sezione Trasporti - di questo Comando

AL COMANDO III BATTAGLIONE (339° Sgt. Per.)

per conto vostro;

ALL'OFF. B. L. & F. U.

ALL'UFFICIO SANITARIO - Sezione Trasporti

ALL'UFFICIO SANITARIO - Sezione Sp.

ALL'UFFICIO SANITARIO

ALL'UFFICIO S.P. - Sezione P.A.

AL COMANDO SCPLA - Ufficio Addestramento

- 1 - Sotto la data del 24 corrente saranno soliti i seguenti reparti
 - III Battaglione 235° Fanteria
 - I Battaglione 236° Fanteria (quadro)
- 2 - Il personale che si renderà disponibile per ogni battagliaone verrà così utilizzato:
 - n° 25 (venticinque) uomini - tra ufficiali sottufficiali e truppe - trasferiti dal riepiscopi reggimenti per l'eventuale ricezione divisione del Battaglione subietti;
 - 4 ricambi militari saranno avviati al Campo Addestramento 48° tenendo che li includerà negli contingenti in partenza nella settimana 22-23 corrente.

Riserve di disposizioni di sostegno circa l'avvicinamento.

- 3 - Il Comando del 2° Sgt. Ad. Per. e quello del III Battaglione 235° Per. sono pregati di cominciare entro le ore 15 del 20 corrente il numero di militari, destinati per arma e per grado, che saranno trasferiti al Campo Ad. Addestrato, in attesa di essere al presente idoneo.

Il Comandante del III Battaglione 235° Per. disp. 2001

- per il movimento dei materiali al proprio Reggimento eventuali esigenze di vesti trasporto siano inviate in tempo utile alla Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Trasporti - di questo Comando;
- alla consegna dei locali alla scuola di Fanteria.

3 - Ricevuta.

P. O. S.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAJORALE

-Colonello L. Molavasi-

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE

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COMANDO DIVISIONE FICINO
C.A.U.F.I.S.

URGENTE

Ufficio Addestramento
Sezione Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

N° 4/4806/Ord. di prot.
O. G. R. T. O. Scioglimento reparti.

Cesano di Roma, li 17 ottobre 1945

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- AL COMANDO IL BATTAGLIONE COMPLESSIVI MISTO e, per conoscenza;
- ALL'ENFA B.L. e T.U.
- AL COMANDO CAMPO ADDESTRAMENTO ATTENDATO
- ALL'UFFICIO PERSONALI COMANDO CAMPO
- ALL'UFFICIO SERVIZI - Sezione S.M.
- ALL'UFFICIO SERVIZI - Sezione Trasporti
- ALL'UFFICIO S.M. - Sezione PAV.
- AL COMANDO SCUOLE - Ufficio Addestramento

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- 1°)- Sotto la data del 28 corrente codesto Battaglione verrà sciolto.
- 2°)- Tutto il personale dovrà passare in forza al Campo Addestramento Attendato presso il quale sarà costituito un Ufficio Stralcio di 12 uomini che funzionerà per il tempo strettamente necessario.
- 3°)- Il materiale sarà:
 - restituito agli enti di appartenenza, quello eventualmente avuto in temporanea consegna;
 - versato ai competenti Magazzini, quello in carico.
- 4°)- Prego comunicare entro le ore 15 del 20 corrente il numero di militari, distinto per arma, servizio e grado, che sarà trasferito al Campo Addestramento Attendato in ottemperanza al n° 2 del presente foglio.
- 5°)- La necessità di mezzi di trasporto, siano inoltrate in tempo utile, all'Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Trasporti - di questo Comando.
- 6°)- Codesto Comando è pregato di prendere diretti accordi con la Direzione di Amministrazione e col Centro di Mobilitazione per tutte le pratiche amministrative e matricolari relative allo scioglimento del Battaglione e costituzione dell'Ufficio Stralcio.

Alc. P. V. e

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE 4000
- Breccie Ronco -

AL COMANDO CAPO ADDESTRAMENTO ATTENDATO
ALL'UFFICIO PERSONALE COMANDO CAIRO
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ALL'UFFICIO S.M. - Sezione PAV.
AL COMANDO SCUOLA - Ufficio Addestramento

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Spese Banco -
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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIOR
- Colonnello Lodevico Malvasi -



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SUBJECT: Supply of Arms to RFG, ICF,

D.M. 1 A.P.R.Q. C.M.F.

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(AS) AFHQ

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA).
Inf Trg Centre, Italian Combat Forces,

Ref your AFHQ/9123/1/Q(AS) dated 24 Jan 45.

1. It is agreed that RFG, ICF should be supplied with a small pool of rifles and a corresponding qty of other small arms for trg purposes.
2. The items released under your Releases No (AS) 31/78, 30/99 and 25/56 dated 25 Jan 45 will meet the main requirements for Rifles, Arms & TMSs to be permanently held for trg.
3. Rifles to be issued to rfts as personal weapons should be drawn through Rome Area in the same way as all other Inf Depots in this theatre. No doubt you will increase the pool of Rifles held by Rome Area to meet this commitment.
4. This Directorate is of the opinion that a rft must train, as far as ever possible, with his own personal weapon.
5. The demand for the large qty of Rifles, Pistols and TMSs as quoted in para 1 of your above quoted letter is not understood by this Directorate.
6. The consolidated demand for all trg eqpt reqd for RFG, ICF will be forwarded within the next few days.

Handwritten signature: P.D. Waters
Brig.,
D.M. 1.

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