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Feb - Nov 1945

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SUBJECT:- Issue of Service Clothing'F' BRITISH LIAISON AND  
TRAINING UNIT, RTG ICF

Ref: AQ/5/655

Hq RTG ICF

28 November, 1945

Ref: ISIA Administration Instruction No:29 dated 14 Nov 45  
(6 copies to Ministry of War).

1. All service clothing held in the CENTRAL STOREHOUSE as per attached STOCK LIST will be held for use of BR - ITI service troops only.
2. This clothing is stored separately from the remainder of the clothing in the storehouse and it would be appreciated if orders could be given to the effect that issues of this clothing will only be made after written authority has been received from DALS (Capt STOREHOUSE) this HQ.

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*St. J. Sangford*  
Major RAC  
DAA & CME  
'F' BRITISH LIAISON AND TRG UNIT,  
RTG ICF

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SERVICE CLOTHING IN CENTRAL STORES

Stock List of clothing received from M.M.A. as at 27/11/45.

Cotton Comforter	3
Housewife Italian	9
Belts Italian Patt	24
Boots Repaired	338
Bread Packs	2499
Handkerchiefs	5400
Blankets Unserviceable	1040
Drawers Woollen	1568
Blouses B.D. Green	1384
Trousers B.D. Green	4008
Packs Italian	15
Shirts Italian	10543
Vests Woollen	15
Towels	8
Vests Italian	2274
Capa Italian	2324
Greatcoats Italian	1889
Tins Mess Italian	50
Tins Mess Small	4100

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Subject: Clothing or Mobilization.

TO: BRITISH LEGATION & TRAINING UNIT  
R.F.O., L.O.P.

Ref: AQ/5/573  
1 December 45.

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For H.Q.  
R.F.O., L.O.P.

Copy to: R.F.O., L.O.P.

Reference to P. 1. Letter AQ/5/571 dated 19 Nov 45 and your letter ref 07/4/17/2/1000 dated 15 Nov 45.

1. It is regretted that under the present circumstances the amount cannot be added to the Goals of Clothing issued to described military.

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Major, R.F.O.  
11th & 12th

TO: BRITISH LEGATION & TRAINING UNIT RFO HQ.

RM/AC.

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SUBJECT:- Clothing on Demobilization.

Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,  
M.M.I.A.  
R O M E  
Q.103  
Nov 45.  
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TO : "F" HL & TU  
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Reference your AQ/5/621 of 19 Nov 45.

1. It is regretted that under the present circumstances the greatcoat cannot be added to the Scale of Clothing issued to demobbed soldiers.

*reply to 36/29 to this effect  
begin to 30305.*

*W. H. Airey*  
W.H. AIREY, Major,  
A.D.O.S.,  
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- "A"

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Subject: Ordnance Services- "F" BL & TU, RTC & ICF.

To: Commandant,  
"F" British Liaison & T.U.

"F" British Liaison & Training  
Unit, RTC, ICF.

Ref: ORD/4/15  
October 10th 1945.

Appreciation of the Present and Future Clothing Position.

1. The present position of Clothing supplies is satisfactory, enough clothing having arrived this month for all Permanent Staff and Reinforcements to be clothed immediately.
2. 11,000 suits of Khaki Battle Dress arrived last week, these are sufficient to clothe up to the end of the month the permanent Staff, and Reinforcements leaving this Centre for Combat Groups.
3. 10,000 Suits of Green Battle Dress also arrived last week, which are sufficient to clothe the Reinforcements on arrival here, and departure to Service Groups (BR-ITI), during this month.
4. Sufficient Khaki Battle Dress, Clothing and Equipment have already been demanded from British Ordnance Stocks to cover the period 1st to 15th November. Also Green Battle Dress and Clothing, have been demanded from MMIA to cover the period 1st to 15th November, for Reinforcements.
5. Comments.  
The above estimates of Khaki and Green Battle Dress are ~~are~~ worked out to comply with the Clothing Policy letter MMIA, Q/CS/24 dated 10th August 1945.

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*Belcher*  
*T. H. Shortrose*  
Capt.  
for Major. D.A.D.O.S.  
(T.H.SHORTROSE.)

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SUBJECT :- Clothing.

'Y' BRITISH LIAISON AND TRAINING UNIT  
R.I.C., I.C.F.

Ref : AG/B/559.

5 October '45.

HQ, RTO ICF.

DADES 'Y' British Liaison & Training Unit.

An issue of Battle Dress Green can be made immediately from the stocks received yesterday to those reinforcements who are only partly clothed or in civilian clothes.

*Elots*

Major LINDSEY,  
IMA & CI,  
'Y' British Liaison &  
Training Unit RTO ICF.

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SUBJECT: Winter Clothing.

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'F' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT  
R.F.C., I.C.F.

Ref: AQ/5/340

3 October 45.

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

1. On issue of Battle Dress, all Khaki Drill Shirts and Trousers will be withdrawn from personnel and returned to D.A.D.O.S. Store, 'F' B.L. & T.U.
2. On issue of Drawers and Vests woollen, all drawers and vests cotton will be withdrawn from personnel and disposed of as in paragraph 1 above.

*Ewb.*

Major Dmiaks.  
RMA & (SI).

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SUBJECT: Uniforms.

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

Ref: AG/5/292

27 Sept. 45.

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

Reference your 07/3000/3/Cas. dated 21 Sept. 45.

This H.Q. grants the permission requested in the above mentioned letter.

*JLB*

Major Dminks.  
DAA & QSU.

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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"  
C.A.C.F.I.C.  
Ufficio Serv. - Sez. Comm/to

N° 07/3000/3/comm.di prot.  
OGGETTO: Uniforme.

P.M. 92 11, 21 Settembre 1945

AL "F" BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT RTC ICG. B E D I

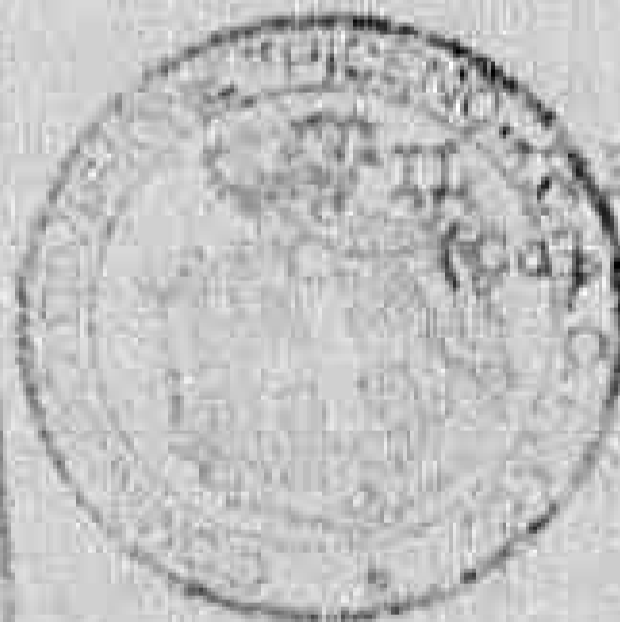
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Per prevenire intrusioni su l'uso dell'uniforme e legittimare una necessità imposta dalla stagione volgente, si prega autorizzare i militari che si recano in licenza, o per servizio, nell'Italia Settentrionale, ad indossare l'uniforme di panno."

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(Cap. Lodovico Malvasi)

*Malvasi*

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Subject: Clothing - Service Troops.

'P' British Liaison & Training  
Unit, MTC, ICP.

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

Ref ORD/8/48.

Info: B.A.A. & Q.M.G.,  
'P' B.L. & T.U. ✓

September 10th 1945.

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Further to my ORD/8/47 dated 8th September '45.

Please note that in this return anticipated requirements  
for SERVICE TROOPS ONLY are required.

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*J. A. Nonney*  
Major  
D.A.S.O.S.

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Subject:- Clothing H.C.O. Cadets.

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'P' British Liaison & Training  
Unit, RTC, ICF.

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

Ref ORD/21/172.

Info:- D.A.A. & Q.M.G.,  
'P' B.L. & T.U.

September 11th 1945.

Reference your 07/2868/S/Comm dated 7 September '45.

As these personnel by virtue of being instructors will be considered as permanent staff of the R.T.C. I.C.R. it will be quite in order for them to be clothed to Combat Scale.

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*J. M. ...*  
Major  
D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject: Requirements of Clothing.

To: H.Q.,

H.F.C. I.C.F.

Info: DAA & GMG,

'7' B.L. & T.U. ✓

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'F' British Liaison & Training  
Unit, RHC, IUP.

Ref ORD/B/47.

September 8th 1945.

The following information has to be supplied to  
MIA by the 15th September '45.

Anticipated requirements for OCT 1 - 14 (incl) of the  
following articles of clothing.

B.D. Blouses  
B.D. Trousers  
Belly Bands  
Belts Web  
Blankets  
Boots  
Bootlaces  
Braces  
Bread Packs  
Bread Pack Carriers  
Canteen or Waterbottle  
Comforter Cotton  
Caps  
Cups  
Drawers Woollen  
Drawers Cotton  
Forks  
Greatcoats or Overcoats  
Handkerchiefs

Housewives (Sewing Kits)  
Knives Opening Tin  
Mackinaws  
Mess Tins  
Pullovers  
Shelter Halves  
Shelter Halves pins  
Shelter Halves poles  
Shirts Woollen  
Shirts Cotton  
Socks Woollen  
Socks Cotton  
Spoons  
Towels  
Trousers K.D.  
Vests Woollen  
Vests Cotton

Will you please let me have return by 12 September '45.  
In submitting your requirements demands already put forward must  
be taken into account.

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*J. A. M. ...*  
Major  
D.A.D.O.S.

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Housewives (Shipping Kits)  
 Knives Opening tin  
 Sackinaws  
 Mess Tins  
 Pullovers  
 Shelter Halves  
 Shelter Halves pins  
 Shelter Halves poles  
 Shirts Woollen  
 Shirts Cotton  
 Socks Woollen  
 Socks Cotton  
 Spoons  
 Towels  
 Trousers K.D.  
 Vests Woollen  
 Vests Cotton

B.S. Blouses  
 B.D. Trousers  
 Belly Bands  
 Belts Web  
 Blankets  
 Boots  
 Bootlaces  
 Braces  
 Bread Packs  
 Bread Pack Carriers  
 Canteen or Waterbottle  
 Comforter Cotton  
 Caps  
 Cups  
 Drawers Woollen  
 Drawers Cotton  
 Zorks  
 Greatcoats or Overcoats  
 Handkerchiefs

Will you please let me have return by 12 September '45.  
 In submitting your requirements demands already put forward must  
 be taken into account.

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*G. Armstrong*  
 Major  
 D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject:- clothing for Demobilised Personnel.

To: HQ/ RTC, ICF. "P" British Liaison & Training Unit, RTC, ICF.

For information to: DAA & QMG, "P" BL & TU. Ref: ORD/36/24 August 31st 1945.

Reference your 07/2768/S/Comm di Prot dated 30th Aug '45.

1. It should be noted that 3000 sets of Green Battle Dress have arrived, and will be handed over this week.
2. It should now be possible to abide strictly by the regulations for clothing Service Troops etc.

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DAA & QMG	<i>[Signature]</i>
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*[Signature]*  
for H.R. COLE. 4154  
Major. D.A.D.O.S.



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SUBJECT: clothing.

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'P' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING  
UNIT, 350 RM.

Ref: 28/5/123

30 August 45.

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

1. A request has been received from Major Chance that 40 sets of Summer Clothing be issued to S.I.V.A. for the demonstration Company, as it has always been the policy that this Company should be given every opportunity to keep up its present high standard of turn-out.
2. Commander 'P' BL & TU would greatly appreciate it if you would arrange to issue this clothing at once.

*E.W.B.*Major Daniels.  
DAA & QMG.

EWD/ab.

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SUBJECT: Clothing & Sports Equipment.

'P' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT  
RAF, I.C.F.

Ref: AQ/5/124.

30 August 45.

To: Major Chance, R.D.F.  
Bracciano.

Reference your QC/1 of 29 August 45.

1. The request in paragraph 1 has been strongly put forward to HQ RMC ICF who are responsible for all issues of clothing, arms, etc.
2. You will appreciate that all indents of this kind should be initiated by the Italian and go through the Italian 'Q' Branch, as it is an equally important part of the training of the Italian Army to learn to do this properly. A copy of your indent, in difficult or urgent cases, should be sent to this unit so that we can chase up our collateral H.Q.
3. We are trying to implement the suggestion in your paragraph 2.

Major Danks.  
DAA & QM.

END/eh.

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"Y" British Liaison & Try Unit,  
R.Q.C. I.O.F.  
O.M.P.

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23 Aug 53.

D.P.Q.M.G.  
"Y" B.L. & T.U.

RTC. *Clothes will be provided*

Subject: Clothing and Sports Equipment.

1. A clothing indent was submitted by SIVA for approximately 10,000 items of summer clothing. This has been turned down on the grounds that the Group had priority. I would be obliged if you could make a special effort to obtain this clothing as it is for reinforcements who have arrived for my demonstration company and it has always been the policy that this company should be given every opportunity to keep up their present high standard of attire.

2. I would greatly appreciate two football or handball for since Dem Co. Their recreational facilities are nil at present. 4151

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*Morgan King*

*Plaus*  
Leader, R.I.F.  
CSO II Schools.

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FROM: AFHQ 191206B  
TO: DISTONE  
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CONFIDENTIAL. SUBJECT IS ANTI-GAS EQUIPMENT FOR PERSONNEL  
OF ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS. WHERE PERSONAL EQUIPMENT NOT  
ISSUED TO INDIVIDUALS BUT HELD EITHER IN BULK BY UNITS OR  
IN DADOS DUMPS NO OBJECTION THIS SITUATION CONTINUING.  
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G-4 (British) )  
ADOS ) for info.  
'P' BL & TU ✓ )

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DAA & QMG	
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DADMS <i>to</i>	
DADME	
<i>For Information</i>	
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*over [unclear]*  
ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND  
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From: M.N.I.A.

To: FENSOUTH

Info: FETLU CASANO

Ref: Q/05/387

Date and Time  
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UNCLASSIFIED (.) FOR MMIA LO (.) FIRST (.) RELEASE FOLLOWING  
ITEMS TO INTC CASANO IN ADDITION TO THOSE DETAILED IN MMIA  
Q/05/382 of 19 (.).

BOOTS	THREE THOUSAND (.)	KIT BAGS	ONE THOUSAND (.)
BALING, WEB	THREE THOUSAND (.)	BRACES	ONE THOUSAND (.)
BREAD PACKS	ONE THOUSAND (.)	CUPS	THREE THOUSAND (.)
CAPS F.S.	THREE THOUSAND (.)	DRAWERS, COTTON	SIX THOUSAND (.)
LACES	FIVE THOUSAND (.)	SPOCKS	TWO THOUSAND (.)
SHIRING KITS	ONE THOUSAND (.)	SOCKS, COTTON	SIX THOUSAND (.)
SHIRTS, BUSH	SIX THOUSAND (.)	TOWELS	THREE THOUSAND (.)
TROUSERS, K.D.	THREE THOUSAND (.)		

SECOND (.) MMIA TPT ARRIVES NAPLES PM 15 AUG TO COLLECT ABOVE  
AND REPORTS TO MAJ AIRLY (.) ARRANGE ESCORT (.) AIRLY - MAXWELL  
SPOKE (.)

THIRD (.) FOR FELU (.) STA CASANO AM 17 AUG (.)

PRECEDENCE ..... IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION .....

*Yes*

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AA & QMC

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BOOTS	THREE THOUSAND (..)	KIT BAGS	ONE THOUSAND (..)
BELTS, W&B	THREE THOUSAND (..)	BRACES	ONE THOUSAND (..)
BREAD PAKES	ONE THOUSAND (..)	CUPS	THREE THOUSAND (..)
CAPS F.S.	THREE THOUSAND (..)	DRAWERS, COTTON	SIX THOUSAND (..)
LACES	FIVE THOUSAND (..)	SPOONS	TWO THOUSAND (..)
SEWING KITS	ONE THOUSAND (..)	SOCKS, COTTON	SIX THOUSAND (..)
SHIRTS, BUSH	SIX THOUSAND (..)	TOWELS	THREE THOUSAND (..)
TROUSERS, K.D.	THREE THOUSAND (..)		

SECOND (..) MMIA PFT ARRIVES NAPLES PH 16 AM TO COLLECT ABOVE AND REPORTS TO MAJ AIRAY (..) ARRANGE ESCORT (..) AIRBY - MAXWELL SPOKE (..)

THIRD (..) FOR FUEL (..) ETA CESANO AM 17 AUG (..)

*Yes*

PRECEDENCE ..... IMPORTANT

AUTHORITY ..... *30/08/58*

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND  
APO No. 794 U.S. Army  
Office of G-3 (British)

48/A/176/G3(Br)

13 August 1945

SUBJECT: Formation of Units - Italian

TO : G-1 (Br), AFHQ  
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1. With ref to your G-1(BR)/1116/A.1 (Ser.2720) dated 25 Jul 45, subject as above.
2. Attached, please find "Suggested Special Equipment List for Vehicle Repair Workshop RTC, ICF, OM/891/1", received from 'F' Brit Liaison & Training Unit RTC ICF, which is forwarded for information and action as considered necessary.

*E. Sedgwick*

E. SEDGWICK,  
Major GS,  
G-3 (British),  
for Brigadier,  
Commander British Troops Rome.

Copy to: 'F' Brit Liaison & Trg Unit (your AQ/6/1163 of 7 Aug refers).

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SUBJECT: Clothing Policy R.V.O., I.G.F.

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\*P\* MEMBER: LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT  
R.V.O., I.G.F.

Ref: A/5/24

13 Aug 48.

To: D.A.M.O.S.  
N.G.  
R.V.O., I.G.F.

Attached is a copy of a letter from M.M.I.A. setting  
down the policy for clothing reinforcements at R.V.O., I.G.F.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Major R.A.  
M.I. & G.C.

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Subject:- Clothing Policy - IRTC.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
R O M E  
Q/OS/24

"F" BTLU IRTC (2)

10 Aug/45.

*Table 178*

Ref. your AQ5/1152 of 7 Aug/45.

1. It is confirmed that the policy for clothing rfts at IRTC CESANO will be as follows:-

- a) On arrival at IRTC all recruits will be issued with clothing and equipment to service scale from BRITI stocks, plus a complete set of web equipment from Br Ord stocks.
- b) On departure from IRTC, Service Troops will retain clothing and equipment to service scale only, while Combat Troops will receive clothing and equipment to combat scale, after handing in all clothing and equipment used during training.
- c) The permanent staff of IRTC will be issued with clothing and equipment to combat scale.

2. This arrangement will take effect on arrival of the clothing now being moved to IRTC from NAPLES.

*Walt Whitby 4146  
RA*

Copy to:- AFHQ  
HQ Rome Allied Area Command.

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Subject: Clothing at RTC RIF CESANO.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .  
Q/OS/24

6 Aug 45

To: F BL & TU

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~~AF~~ Reference AQ/5/1045 of 23 Jul.

1. A stock of Grade 111 etc clothing will be moved to CESANO to enable all reinforcements moving to Service Units to be equipped to the correct Service Tps Scale. Sufficient green B.D. will also be provided to enable all recruits to be in green B.D. while training in order to save wear on ~~new~~ B.D.
2. NMIA has no authority to agree that any Service Unit reinforcements are sent to Service Units equipped with new Br clothing or equipment provided for Combat Force.

*P.J. Noakes*  
P.J. NOAKES Col.  
for Major General.  
M.M.I.A.

FJN/hh

Copy to: AFHQ for VAE.  
R.A.A.C.

*cc Advise new DADOS on annual*

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Subject:- Clothing for Demobilized personnel.

To: HQ. RTC, ICF.

For information to:

DAA & QMG, "P" BL & TU. ✓

"P" British Liaison & Training  
Unit, RTC, ICF.

July 24th 1945.

Ref: GRD/36/46.

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Reference your 07/2198/S/COMES dated 19th July 1945.

1. Demobilized personnel should be sent home in Black Battle Dress, until stocks are exhausted or unless in certain cases individuals cannot be reasonably fitted as to size.
2. If Black Battle Dress cannot be used, they should be given Green Battle Dress.
3. Any Green Battle Dress which you may obtain should therefore be washed and disinfested and kept in case required.
4. Only in very exceptional circumstances, and only as an absolutely last resort, because nothing else will fit, can individuals be sent home in Khaki Drill. Such cases must be reported to this office.

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C/BBJ  
M.W. JEFFERY.  
Major  
D.A.D.O.C.

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Subject:- Observation on Indents.

Wm British Liaison & Training  
Unit, 870, ICF.

201 HQ, VTC, ICF, for Ufficio  
Commissariato.

Ref: ORD/ 19/37

July 25th 1945.

For information to:

Comando Scuole, RTO, ICF.

DAA & QMG, Wm HL & WI. ✓

G.S.O. II, Inf Regt Wm HL & WI.

1. Enclosed five indents unreferenced and undated were submitted direct to this office by Comando Scuole.
2. Will you ensure that Comando Scuole is fully informed on indenting procedure.
3. Some of the items: Brushes paint, Paint, and Nails are bulk items and you should issue availabilities from your stocks in Central Storehouse, and include deficiencies on your next bulk demand.
4. I would like it confirmed that black, brown, green, red and white are colours of paint all required for targets.
5. The quantities of nails demanded total very nearly one ton. How long is this amount estimated to last?, I do not know what work is anticipated but may I suggest that either some extensive field works are involved, in which case surely this is a concern of the Engineers, or else the quantities have not been properly checked and are grossly excessive.
6. With regard to the indents for Cutters Wire folding Qty 10, and Instruments Drawing 22, Qty 1, it should be confirmed and certified by Comando Scuole that the Training Stores and Equipment of this nature which are already in the possession of RTO, ICF are inadequate.

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DAA & QMG, WPI HQ & SH.  
O.S.O. II, Int Reg, spe BL & SH.

1. Enclosed five indents unreferenced and undated were submitted direct to this office by Comando Scuole.
2. Will you ensure that Comando Scuole is fully informed on installing procedure.
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6. With regard to the indents for Cutters Wire Folding Qty 10, and Instruments Drawing R2, Qty 1, it should be confirmed and certified by Comando Scuole that the Training Stores and Equipment of this nature which are already in the possession of RTC, ICP are inadequate.

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Major  
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Subject:- Deficiency Reports.

To: HQ. RTC, ICP.

For information to;

DAA & QMG w/ps EL & TU.

'P' British Liaison & Training  
Unit, RTC, ICP.

Ref: CRD/16/40

July 17th 1945.

1. There have been some instances in the past of Units of RTC, ICP, submitting deficiency reports on stores they have received.
2. In some cases they have been rendered several weeks after receipt of stores, and in others, particularly stores of a technical nature, the information given has been incomplete.
3. Will you please notify all concerned that the following instructions must be carried out in respect of deficiency reports:-
  - (1) Deficiency Reports must be submitted within 24 hours of the stores being received by a unit.
  - (2) They must be signed by an Officer.
  - (3) The following information is essential:-
    - (a) Date stores were received or collected.
    - (b) Unit or place from which stores were collected or received.
    - (c) Reference number of vouchers and other documents relating to the stores.
    - (d) The part number and designation of every item concerned, or if this is not possible, a description of it stating for example to what larger or complete equipment it belongs.
    - (e) The quantities missing or broken.
    - (f) The state of packages, if any, on receipt, and package markings.
    - (g) The name of the Officer who collected or received the stores.
4. In the case of technical equipment particularly, it is recommended as highly desirable that an officer of the collecting unit should check over these stores **AT THE TIME THEY ARE COLLECTED.** A large notice to that effect might well be put up in all sheds of the Central Storehouse and Transit Shed.

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M.W. JEFFERY.

Major

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Subject:- Signal Stores. "F" British Liaison & Training

To: 152 Signal Training Centre. Unit, RTC, ICP.

for S.O.R. Signals (Maj Swinerton) Ref: ORD/18/46

For information to: July 17th 1945.

DAA & QMG, "F" BL & TU.

Reference your unreferenced letter dated 14th July 1945 concerning deficiencies against (1) my vouchers U/522 - 7 of 8th June 1945, and (2) Demand CELL 4/1225 of 23rd May 1945 under control No 6197523.

1. The latter (2) is not recognised.
2. Your letter is not clear, but it would seem that some of the items you mention are parts of equipment issued to you as complete, and others are individual items. Your designations are not the same as on the vouchers.
3. To help this office will you please quote the part nos. and correct designations of items involved, or if this is not possible state exactly to what set, instrument, or other equipment they belong.
4. In the case of individual items they were all handed over to C i/c Transit Shed for issue to your Training Centre and if there are any discrepancies I want to report the matter to HQ.RTC, ICP, for investigation.
5. The stores were handed over to Transit Shed over a month ago and 152 Signal Training Centre were then notified to collect. Did they do so immediately or only recently?
6. It is recommended that when this Training Centre collects valuable technical equipment of this nature, it should be examined and checked on the spot and an immediate report made concerning any deficiencies.
7. The subject of deficiencies is a recurring one, and unfortunately the Italian units of RTC, ICP are in the habit of reporting them from one to four and a half months after the stores have been collected. This leaves many loopholes!

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Major

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Subject:- Mosquito Curtains and Bush Nets.

To: HQ. RTC, ICF.

"F" British Liaison & Training Unit,  
RTC, ICF.

For information to:

DAA & QMG, "F" BL & TU.

Ref : ORD/21/130  
July 16th 1945.

Reference your 07/2114/S/Comm dated 14th July 1945.

1. It is observed that the Italian term Zanzariere is used which in fact covers more than one type of net or curtain.
2. The Mosquito Curtain is for use in buildings or large tents. There are two or three different kinds, but they are all alike inasmuch as they are intended to hang from the ceiling or wall over a mans bed.
3. The Bush Net is intended primarily for use in the open or inside a bivouac, although it can be adapted for indoor use.
4. Mosquito Curtains are for troops in Barracks and permanent stations. Those in use in RTC, ICF, can therefore be kept on Unit charge.
5. Personnel when leaving Cesano should be in possession of Bush Nets to take with them. These are then on the mens personal charge as part of their equipment.
6. The difference between Bush Net and Curtain should be observed by Central Storehouse and Regimental accounting.

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M.W. JEFFERY. 4140  
Major  
D.A.D.O.S.

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SUBJECT: Clothing US-III Troops.

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

Ref: AQ/5/1000

16 July 45.

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

Please cancel this H.Q. letter ref: AQ/5/942 dated 7 July 45.

All troops arriving at R.T.O., I.C.F. will be clothed in Khaki Drill  
during ~~training~~ <sup>courses</sup>.

  
Major R.A.  
DAA & USI

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SUBJECT: Boots.

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1st BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT  
R.T.G., I.C.F.

Ref: AG/5/988

14 July 45.

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

1. The following figures are from D.A.D.O.S. records concerning Boots :

31 March 1945.	Central Storehouse, Stock in hand.	pairs.	2,917
	Issued to Central Storehouse since 31 March 45.	"	18,564
			<u>21,481</u>
			quantities

2. The stock declared by Central Storehouse as at 12 July 1945 is 167 pairs.

3. Since the beginning of April the Central Storehouse has therefore issued to units of R.T.G., I.C.F. approximately 21,300 pairs of boots, or enough to give 10,650 men two pairs of boots each.

4. Office Ord e Mob inform this office that since the beginning of April about 5,963 men have arrived at R.T.G., I.C.F. Had all these been new recruits, approximately 12,000 pairs of boots would have been issued to them. In fact, I believe many of them were military personnel who should have been in possession of boots already.

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5. In any case, allowing the full 12,000 pairs for new intakes, there are still 9,000 pairs to be accounted for.

6. I know there have been deficiencies, but these are negligible compared with the total quantity received.

7. Will you please advise me what record is kept by units of the issue of clothing, including boots, to individuals, and confirm that adequate accounting and other provisions are made to prevent leakages.

8. It is recommended that all units give you a report forthwith showing:

- (a) Total stock of boots in Unit storehouses at 31 March 45.
- (b) Total number of military personnel issued with boots since 1 April 45 and number of pairs of boots issued to them.
- (c) Total personnel in possession of two pairs of boots.
- (d) " " " " " one pair " "
- (e) " " " " " nil pairs " "
- (f) Total stock of Boots in Unit Storehouses.

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9. Can all units produce receipts or otherwise account for all the boots they have had from Central Storehouse?

10. This is not intended as an inquisition, but it should be impressed on the minds of all concerned that:

(1) Every soldier must be fully clothed and equipped to the scale to which he is entitled,

but (2) Every soldier is responsible for the care and preservation of his clothing and equipment.

(3) Every Commanding Officer is responsible for the correct and lawful issue and usage of clothing and equipment in his unit.

(4) There is not an abundance of clothing and equipment, therefore very strict supervision is required in its distribution.

11. Please notify D.A.D.C.S. immediately, requirements of boots, so that he may place orders on hand.

*Quiff*  
Major R.A.  
M.A. & C.M.

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SUBJECT: Tables and Stools.

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

Ref: 10/5/59

10 July 1948.

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

Reference your 07/1916/2/Comm of 6 July 1948.

1. It is regretted that no tables, forms or stools are available from Allied sources.
2. Allied authorities obtain these articles by local manufacture or local purchase. It is consequently thought that the same sources are open to the Italian authorities.

*[Signature]*  
Major H.A.  
MA & CG.

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SUBJECT: Clothing US-III Troops.

US\* BRITISH LEADERS & TRAINING UNIT  
R.T.C., I.C.F.

REF: AC/5/942.

7 July 45.

To: M.O.  
R.T.C., I.C.F.

1. Instructions have been received that owing to shortage of Khaki Drill clothing US-III and ISB troops transferred to BR-III service in olive drab or green dress will not be issued with Khaki Drill clothing.

2. Such troops arriving at R.T.C., I.C.F. will consequently retain their present clothing during training. They will, however, be issued with Khaki Drill if they are despatched to a Gruppe di Combattimento but not if despatched to a service unit.

*[Signature]*  
Major R.A.  
M.A. & C.S.

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SUBJECT: Clothing.

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

Ref: AQ/5/968

10 JULY 1945.

To: H.Q.  
Home Area Allied Command.

Reference your letter Q.256/9 dated 10 May 45,  
please say if reinforcements moving North need now be  
despatched with both winter and summer scales of clothing.

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Colonel.  
Commander 'P' British Liaison  
& Trg. Unit HQ IIF

RM/ah.

Copy to: HQ IIF (Your 07/2034/A) and dated 9 July reference)  
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COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"  
C.A.C.P.I.C.  
Ufficio Serv.-Ses.Comando

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R. 07/2034/S/Comm. di prot.

P.M.92, 9 luglio 1945

Oggetto: Vestiario per militari da inviarsi ai Gruppi di Combattimento.

Al "F" BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT RTE ICF

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Pregasi voler precisare se la disposizione di cui al foglio 12/5/531 del 13 maggio 1945 debba continuare ad aver vigore e, cioè se i militari da inviarsi ai Gruppi di Combattimento in Italia Settentrionale debbano portare ancora sia il vestiario estivo che quello invernale.

d'ordine  
Il COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.  
(L. Malavasi)

*Malavasi*

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Subject: Documentation, Indents and Vouchers.

To: "G" Training Unit to Italian Army,  
for S.O.II, & sigs.

For information to:  
D.A.D.C., "F" B.L.H. ✓

O" B.L.H., 145  
I.R.T.G., I.G.F.  
Ref: ORD/11/109  
June 3rd 1945.

Reference O.1013 and Depot Voucher receipted by Major Swinnerton.

1. It is requested that all documents for ~~stores~~ Ordnance Stores issued to Italian Units either against Equipment Lists, War Establishment, Training Scales or on loan, shall be signed and receipted by an Italian Officer of the unit concerned.
2. Will you please obtain an Italian officers signature on the attached documents. In addition his name, rank, unit or appointment, should be written in block letters under his signature, or be shown by use of a rubber stamp.
3. All demands, likewise, should be signed by Italian Officers and passed to Maj. RHC, IGP, and not to D.A.D.C. direct.

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Major  
D.A.D.C. & C.

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Subject:- Boot Repairs.

To: Hq. RTC, ICF.

For information to:

DIA & QMG, W. B.L.U.

W. B.L.U.,

I.R.C., W.U.F.

Ref: ORD/34/9

May 31st 1945.

Reference your 07/1508/S/Comm dated 28th May 1945.

1. I notified you on 3rd April 1945 that 10 Cobblers Kits were expected and on 18th April 1945 I notified you they had actually arrived. It has taken nearly seven weeks for you to inform me (for the second time) that the Boot Repair Shop is about to start work !!.

2. I suggest that this delay has been out of all proportion to the little amount of organization and preparation involved, and I recommend that the most important consideration at the moment is to make a definite start in repairing boots.

3. The question as to whether 10 cobblers will be able to cope with the whole of RTC, ICF remains to be seen, and before any definite decision is reached about the actual number of cobblers really needed it is necessary to know:-

(1) How many pairs of boots your 10 cobblers can repair say in a fortnight?

(2) How many pairs of boots are likely to need repairing every fortnight, throughout RTC, ICF?

4. The question of additional cobblers kits depends entirely on the number of cobblers authorised on War Establishments. If this number is reckoned too small, recommendation has to be made for an increase on War Establishment and passed through Staff Channels.

5. You state that there is insufficient material for the cobblers to work with. Will you please make a precise demand of what is actually required. In this respect I would point out that the stock report from Central Storehouse dated 29th May 1945 is not accurate, and there is far more grindery in stock than stated by the O/C Central Storehouse. For instance there are several cases of leather soles, whereas he states he only has 668 pairs in stock, and the same applies to other items.

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- (1) How many pairs of boots your 10 cobblers can repair say in a fortnight 7, they should be able to cope with 1000 pairs.
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M. W. JERRY.  
Major  
D.A.A.D.C.S.

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Subject:- Signal Equipment.

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152(Ir) Signal Training Centre  
1 June 45

C.O. "D" BLU  
attd Greek National Guard(Bass & L of G)  
"F" BLU INTO ICP

1. When passed to "D" BLU, Capt. R.M.P. THOMAS R. Signals inadvertently omitted to return a watch (Italian) loaned to him by C.O. 152(Ir) Signal Training Centre.
2. A D.C. communication has been sent to Capt. THOMAS requesting return of the item, but it is thought that it may not have reached him, or that the watch may have been despatched without advice.
3. The favour of your interest is requested to enable the watch to be traced and returned to the School.

*J. L. ...*  
Major,  
S.O. R. Signals.

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Subject: Issue and Distribution of Stores to Units.

To: HQ, RTO, ICF.

For information to:

880 II "G" Training Unit.

DAA & QMG, "P" B.L.U. ✓

WO I I/c DADOS Shed.

"P" B.L.U.,

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

Ref: ORD/12/52

May 30th 1945.

1. There is no longer a necessity to have a shed set aside entirely for Training Equipment. Such equipment should be distributed to units as soon as it arrives and there should not be any accumulation of stores. Further receipts of Training Equipment will not be very large in quantity.
2. The present Training Equipment Shed can therefore be put to other uses.
3. It is proposed that this shed be referred to in future as the "Transit Shed". All stores from Base Depots arriving in packages addressed to individual units will be handed over by DADOS to the Officer i/c of Transit Shed, units will be notified to collect their stores from there.
4. All Training Stores, if addressed to individual units will be treated in the same way.
5. All Training Stores addressed to RTO, ICF, will be handed over by DADOS to Officer i/c Transit Shed. DADOS will notify HQ, RTO, ICF, giving precise details of such stores and will request HQ, RTO, ICF to allocate them to units who will collect them with a minimum of delay from Transit Shed.
6. DADOS will continue to release rifles as and when necessary, but will do so in bulk to maintain the total holding within units of RTO, ICF, to the ceiling of 5040. These rifles will be handed over to Officer i/c Transit Shed; HQ, RTO, ICF, will be notified and requested to allot them to units for immediate collection from the Transit Shed.
7. The receipt and issue of Bulk Stores is in no way affected by the above remarks.

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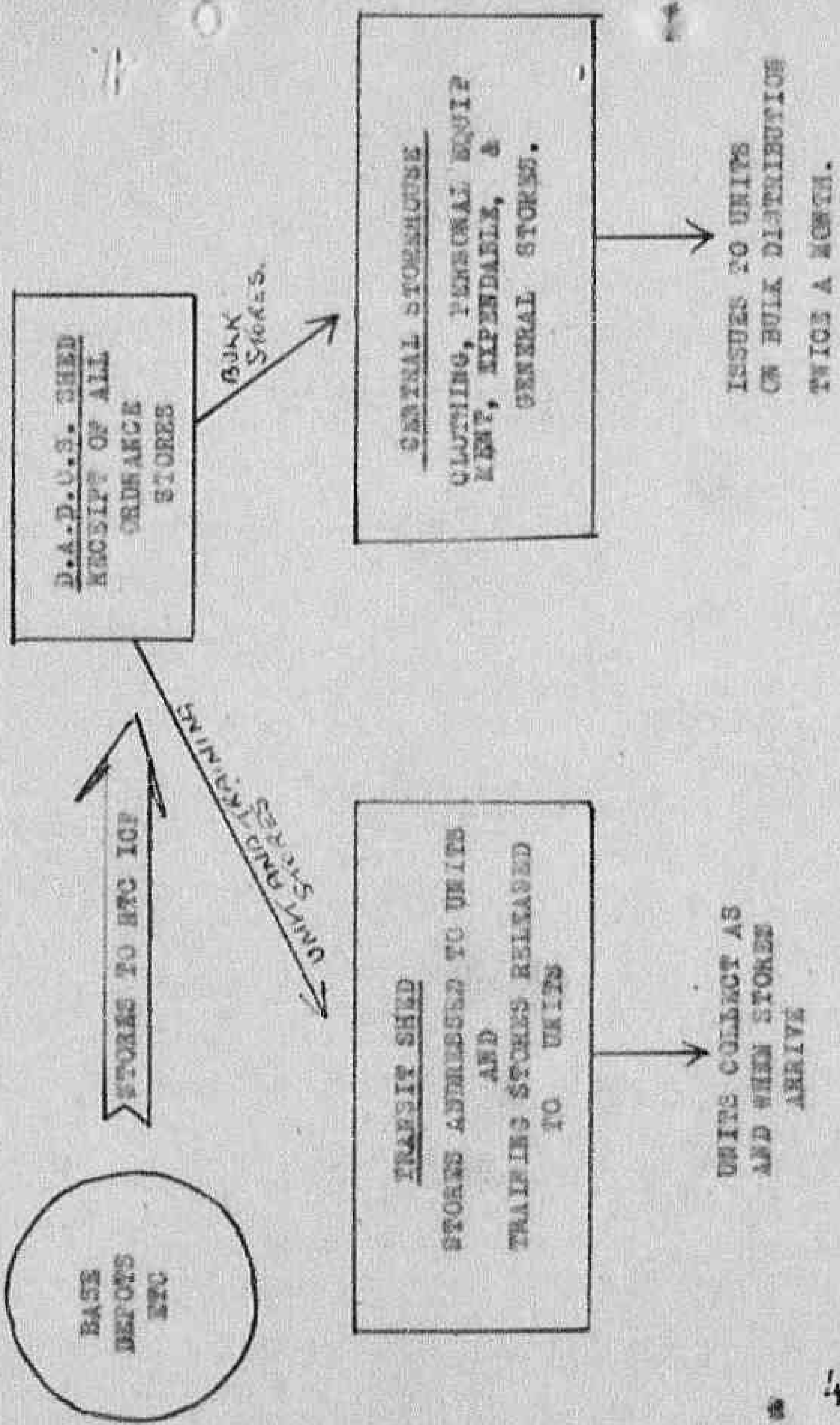
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M. W. JEFFERY,  
 MAJOR  
 D.A.D.C.S.

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Subject: Indenting for Ordnance Stores.

Wm L.U.

To: D.A.A. & Q.M.G. ✓

I.R.F.U., I.C.

Wm B.L.U.

Ref: ORD/12/51

May 30th 1945.

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Can this letter be passed round to all officers of BIU, RTI, & BTU, please?

1. I am still receiving occasional demands-- (either indents or letters requesting me to indent) -- from British Officers, for stores required by Italian Units of RTC, ICF, sometimes not even specifying who they are for.

2. I am working on the assumption that the internal administration of units is an integral part of the training at this centre in order to re-establish the Italian Army. May I strongly recommend therefore, that British Officers dealing with Italian units and their administration problems should not do the work for them, but show them how to do it.

3. The habit of British Officers making demands for stores does not encourage Italian units to be self-reliant and definitely discourages any initiative on their part to fend for themselves.

4. Italian Units at RTC, ICF, still have much to learn in the "gentle art of quarter-mastering", which I believe is something quite foreign to their previous routine. Nor have they familiarised themselves satisfactorily with the purposes and uses of Normal and Special Equipment Lists (corresponding to our A.F.G.1098), nor in many instances are they able to disassociate such lists from training equipment scales.

5. It is not usually an Ordnance responsibility to teach Quarter-masters their business, and in any case I haven't the staff to undertake such a project.

6. Co-operation on the part of all British Officers concerned will be appreciated, to teach Units internal administration. Only please don't tell them that they should ask D.A.D.O.S. to indent for their stores.

ORDNANCE DOES NOT INDENT FOR STORES. UNITS INDENT ON ORDNANCE, EVERY TIME AND IN ALL CASES !!

AA & QMG  
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SC 47 & Q

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1. I am still receiving occasional demands-- (either indents or letters requesting me to indent) -- from British Officers, for stores required by Italian Units of RTC, ICF, sometimes not even specifying who they are for.

2. I am working on the assumption that the internal administration of units is an integral part of the training at this centre in order to re-establish the Italian Army. May I strongly recommend therefore, that British Officers dealing with Italian units and their administration problems should not do the work for them, but show them how to do it.

3. The habit of British Officers making demands for stores does not encourage Italian units to be self-reliant and definitely discourages any initiative on their part to fend for themselves.

4. Italian Units at RTC, ICF, still have much to learn in the "gentle art of quarter-mastering", which I believe is something quite foreign to their previous routine. Nor have they familiarised themselves satisfactorily with the purposes and uses of Normal and Special Equipment Lists (corresponding to our A.P.G.1098), nor in many instances are they able to disassociate such lists from training equipment scales.

5. It is not usually an Ordnance responsibility to teach Quarter-masters their business, and in any case I haven't the staff to undertake such a project.

6. Co-operation on the part of all British Officers concerned will be appreciated, to teach Units internal administration. Only please don't tell them that they should ask D.A.D.O.S. to indent for their stores.

ORDNANCE DOES NOT INDENT FOR STORES. UNITS INDENT ON ORDINANCE, EVERY TIME AND IN ALL CASES !!

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*M.W. Jeffery*

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

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SUBJECT: Controlled Stores.

1st BLU. DTIC. REF.

Ref: AQ/5/547

18 May 1945.

*Handwritten initials*

To: H.Q.  
Rome Area Allied Command.

1. Further to my AQ/5/491 of 4 May 45, N.M.I.A. have requested that application be made through Staff channels for:

Carbines M.C. Thompson - 215  
and Mats M.I. - - 1

2. It is therefore requested that this demand be forwarded to A.F.H.Q. through Staff channels. It is pointed out that No. 3 G.F. Company is a Combat Unit and no orders have yet been received by this H.Q. indicating that it should be equipped in any way differently to Nos. 1 and 2 Italian G.F. Companies.

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Maj-Gen. R.A.

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Arms for Reinforcements

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AFHQ  
Ref AQ/5/436

27 April 45

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AFHQ

Reference your letter of 24 April 45.

1. AFHQ has laid down that all reinforcements going forward must carry personal arms.

2. It will be appreciated that, although Groups have personal arms on their Normal Equipment Lists, there is a very high percentage of wastage in such weapons at the front. Consequently the easiest and quickest method of replacement is by ensuring that reinforcements bring their own arms with them.



Maj RA  
DAA & GSG

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8-20-5074 - Personal clothing and equipment.

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H.A. I.S.T.O., I.C.F.

DEFC, D.A.A.G.M.S. 1st KUM, 1st INF, 1st JCF.

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Reference by OSD 21/45 dated 23 Mar 45 subject amendments to Personal Equipment List.

1. Memoranda all requirements leaving this unit for Combat Groups should be equipped fully to the new scales as far as stocks permit.
2. It has been noted that some items (such as Anti-Jas equipment) are overlooked for the draft which left ~~many~~ 25 March, although Anti-Jas equipment has been available from Central Stores since and given for repair personnel.
3. E.s.f. 1 Apr 45 requirements will vary: summer clothing (i.e. shorts drill) in addition to their winter scale of clothing, and demands should therefore be submitted by regiments as soon as commitments are known.
4. In this respect, it is noted that the items are not yet in the I.S.O. Storeshouse as no request for stockholding is desired, as efforts can always be made to obtain deficiencies from outside sources.

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W.F. J. ...  
Majors, I.S.O.S.,  
D.A.S.O.S.

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7th Inf, LANC., ICF,  
OSD/21/45  
26 Mar 45.

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References by OMB 21/43 dated 13 Mar 63 subject requirements to Hospital Equipment Lists.

- 1. Enclosed are all requirements covering basic supplies for Casualty Groups should be supplied fully to two base areas as far as stocks permit.
- 2. It has been noted that some of the things listed under the heading of "Medical Supplies" in the draft which left [redacted] to March, although artificial equipment has been available from Central Stores since the time for other purchases.
- 3. M.C.C. 1 Apr 63 requirements will vary winter clothing (i.e. heavy gear) in addition to heavy winter coats of clothing, and blankets should be provided by hospitals as soon as commitments are known.
- 4. In this regard, knowledge that the base are not yet in the U.S.O. Storehouse is no reason for withholding a demand, as efforts can always be made to obtain requisitions from outside sources.

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 Director, M.C.C.,  
 U.S.O.S.

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SUBJECT :- Clothing - Summer 1945

FM HQ ICG ICP  
Ref HQ/3/45  
24 April 45

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HQ ICG ICP

1. The Summer Stocks of Clothing, for all troops pass into effect on 1 May 45.
2. From that date :-
  - (a) All troops will wear Summer Scale Clothing only, unless otherwise specially authorized by this HQ.
  - (b) All troops HQ on the Permanent Staff of HQ ICP will have in Winter Clothing. The withdrawal of such clothing from troops to be made under unit arrangements and returned to Central Storehouse.
  - (c) The Winter Clothing of the Permanent Personnel of HQ ICP will be withdrawn from individuals, cleared and placed in Unit Stores. Each Unit will hold in its Stores an equivalent number of sets of winter clothing as there are personnel on the Unit's War Establishment. This reserve of clothing will remain the responsibility of the HQ Unit and be accounted for by him.

3. The stocks at present held by HQ ICP Central Storehouse are insufficient to clothe all troops to full Summer Scale. Therefore, until further notice, troops will be issued with Summer Clothing as under :-

Item	Units/Personnel Going to Combat Groups i.e. Full Scale (a)	(b)		Personnel Posted to Services Units
		Personnel Under Training and Permanent Staff	(c)	
ND Shorts	1	-	-	2
ND Glacés	2	2	2	2
Wash Shirts	2	1	1	2
Belt (for Wash Shirts)	1	1	1	4
Showers, cellular	2 +	-	-	1
Yokes, Cotton	2	1	1	1
Hose tops, Grah	1	-	-	2
Blankets	2	2	2	2

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2. From that date :-

- (a) All troops will wear Summer Scale Clothing only, unless otherwise specially authorized by this HQ.
- (b) All troops HQ on the permanent staff of HQ IIF will hold in Winter Clothing. The withdrawal of such clothing from troops to be made under unit arrangements and returned to Central Storehouse.
- (c) The Winter Clothing of the Permanent Personnel of HQ IIF will be withdrawn from individuals, cleaned and placed in Unit Stores. Each unit will hold in it's stores an equivalent number of sets of winter clothing as there are personnel on the Unit's War Establishment. This reserve of clothing will remain the responsibility of the CO Unit and be accounted for by him.

J. The stocks at present held by HQ IIF Central Storehouse are insufficient to clothe all troops to full Summer Scale. Therefore, until further notice, troops will be issued with Summer Clothing as under :-

Item	Reinforcements	Recruits (Broken	Personnel
	Going to Combat Groups i.e. Full Scale (a)	Training and permanent Staff (b)	Posted to Service Units (c)
MD Shorts	1	-	-
MD Slacks	2	2	2
Dark Shirts	2	1	2
Belts (for Dark Shirts)	1	1	4
Overalls, cellulose	2 +	-	1
Vests, Cotton	2	1	-
Boatboys, dark	1	-	-
Blankets	2	2	2

NOTE + Only if available. Present stocks NIL.

The difference between (a) and (b), or (c) and (b), to be made up only when troops leave HQ IIF.



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4. Winter Clothing will be withdrawn from non-permanent troops of 577 INF as follows :-

Item	Withdrawn 1 May (a)	Retained while at 577 INF but withdrawn prior to leaving (b)
Battle Dress Trousers	1	NIL
" " Blouses	1	NIL
Vests Woollen	1	1
Drawers, Woollen	NIL	2
Gloves, Knitted drab	1	NIL
Cap Comforters	1	NIL
Shirts Angola Drab	1	1
Blankets	All in excess of 2	

5. Winter Clothing withdrawn from troops will be clean before returning to Central Storehouse, Battle Dress need not be washed, but must be disinfested. Unit Commanders will send a certificate to that effect with all clothing returned.

6. Units and Regiments will return clothing banded together in tons to Central Storehouse. Loose clothing will NOT be accepted. If possible sacks or other containers should be used.

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SUBJECT :- Personal Clothing - 3 Regiment

'F' 320 IRTO IOF  
Ref Q/S/31

15 Mar 45

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HQ RTG IOF

Reference your 07/403/3/Comm of 13 Mar 45,  
and 3 Regiment's 03/325/Vert of 11 Mar 45.

1. Attached is a report from my DADCS on Boot  
Indents from 3 Regiment.

2. It will be seen from this report that 1225  
pairs of Boots were in 3 Regiment Storehouses on 2  
Mar, although no issues were made to 3 Regiment since  
23 Feb when 1200 pairs were issued. Boots urgently  
needed by the troops were, it would seem, held over a  
week in 3 Regiment's Storehouses.

*[Signature]*  
Maj RA  
DAR & CIG

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SUBJECT :- Drafts - Clothing and Equipment

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SP1 HLU INFO HQ  
Ref AQ/5/340

17 Apr 45

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HQ HQ HQ

Ref my LO 5/20 of 1 Feb 45 paragraph 2(d).

This information need not now be sent to this HQ until further notice.

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*[Signature]*  
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DA & QC

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'F' BLU INTG IOF  
Q/5/31 Dated  
15 Mar 45

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REPORT ON BOOT SITUATION  
3 REGIMENT

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1. The Weekly Regimental "Bulk" demand for Clothing and Equipment was instituted with effect from 24 Feb 45, to prevent unfair distribution between Regiments and to MAKE Regiments demand what they required. Previous to that I have no trace of large demands coming from 3 Regiment, except 1000 pairs on 19 Feb 45 and 1200 pairs on 23 Feb 45 - both being authorized for issue.
2. On the Bulk demand dated 24 Feb 45 3 Regiment requested 3978 pairs of Boots. All were released owing to a temporary stock shortage, and I can trace no issues to 3 Regiment during the week 24 Feb - 2 Mar. Yet on the Stock Return dated 2400 hours 2 Mar 45, 3 Regiment state that 1225 pairs of Boots were held either in the Regimental or subsidiary Storehouses and had not been issued to troops.
3. On the Bulk demand dated 3 Mar 45, 3 Regiment requested 4468 pairs of Boots and 3908 pairs were released.
4. On the 3 Regiment Stock Returns as at 2400 hours 9 Mar 45 it is stated that 2706 pairs of Boots remained in the Regimental Storehouse, quantities (if any) held in subsidiary Storehouses are not shown.

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SUBJECT: Issue of Personal Clothing - 3 Regiment - Artillery Coy.

'P' BLN RTC ICP  
Ref: AQ/5/73.

6 Mar. 45.

H.Q.  
RTC ICP.

Reference by AQ/5/68 of 6 Mar. 45.

1. The SOXE has again reported that training has been considerably hampered owing to 400 men of the Artillery Company having had no issue of clothing and equipment.
2. No special request for an immediate issue has been received by D.A.D.O.S., but Commander, 3 Regiment, says he made personal visits to H.Q., RTC ICP on this matter.
3. Would you please investigate why this request from Commander 3 Regiment was NOT immediately made to D.A.D.O.S. for an immediate issue.
4. In order to avoid any recurrence, please ensure that all Regimental and Battalion Commanders understand that, although it is imperative to have a system by which Regiments draw on a given day each week, urgent issues will be made at any time, provided they are justified.

  
Major R.A.  
D&A & G.M.

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Major Blaxland.  
D.A.D.O.S.  
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SUBJECT: Clothing and Equipment.

'P' BLU RUC ICF.

Ref: ORO/24/29

4 March 45.

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To: H.Q.,  
RUC ICF.

Copy to: DAA & QAB 'P' BLU RUC ICF.

References attached release notes Nos. 81 & 82  
for collection of Stores from the Central Storehouse RUC ICF, week  
5 - 11 March 1945.

1. It is requested that Regiments be informed that all reinforcements leaving CHAMNO during this period should be clothed and equipped entirely from Regimental stocks, except as in paragraph 2, and that the attached release notes should cover any present deficiencies.

2. The following items are not available from Central Storehouse RUC ICF :-

- Brass (Bretelle)
- Towels (Ascugumari)
- Vests, woollen (Magliette di lana)
- Carriers, water bottles (Oustodia per boreas)
- Sheets, ground (Mantelli impermeabili).

A quantity of these is being demanded from A.D.O.S. Base, to cover this week's reinforcements leaving CHAMNO. Items available from this source will be issued to Regiments on demand, as and when the number and date of drafts are known.

3. Your request that Regiments should hold a reserve of 500 or 1,000 complete sets of clothing and equipment to meet requirements, is entirely agreed upon, but as yet, stocks from Central Storehouse do not permit this for every item. It is hoped, however, to attain this object gradually, and the weekly demands from Regiments should be based upon that plan.

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M. JEFFERY.



for collection of stores from the Central Storehouse KSC ICF, week  
5 - 11 March 1945.

1. It is requested that Regiments be informed that all reinforcements leaving CEMANO during this period should be clothed and equipped entirely from Regimental stocks, except as in paragraph 2, and that the attached release notes should cover any present deficiencies.

2. The following items are not available from Central Storehouse KSC ICF :-

Braces (Bretalle)  
Towels (Asciugamani)  
Vests, woolen. (Magliette di lana)  
Carriers, water bottles (Custodia per borracce)  
Sheets, ground (Mantelli impermeabili).

A quantity of these is being demanded from A.D.O.S. Rome, to cover this week's reinforcements leaving CEMANO. Items available from this source will be issued to Regiments on demand, as and when the number and date of drafts are known.

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M. JEFFERY,  
Major.  
DALOS.

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Date 5 MAR. 1945	File 5

	1st Regt.	2nd Regt.	3rd Regt.	4th Regt.	Comp Co. 1st.	85 Comp.	470 Comp.	576 Comp.	319 Squad.	Rep. Com. Squad.
Fosse Cinturino.	225	1000	1000	—	51	30	5	—	72	—
Barracos.	—	1500	500	500	—	—	—	—	72	—
Boggi Giberne d.e.s.	150	—	850	—	—	—	34	—	—	—
Giberne p.fucile.	1000	—	1700	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Custodia p.barracca	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lainetto.	—	2770	820	—	—	—	15	65	72	—
Spallacci p.Lainetto D.E.S.	600	—	820	—	—	—	—	65	72	—
Cinghia p.Lainetti	500	—	1000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gavette e Gavettino	1000	1000	1000	500	—	—	—	—	72	—
Ruotti metallici	1700	—	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Retine p.alnotti.	1700	—	20	—	—	—	—	6	—	—
Ricordi.	3700	—	2700	1600	102	—	—	—	72	77
Deposito.	4000	3600	2000	3200	204	60	6	—	—	154
Mantelli imp.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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RELEASE NUMBER 81

DATE: 4 March 1945.

- Distribution:
1. HQ, NSU, ISF.
  2. Central Storehouse NSU.
  3. DABOS file.

2nd Regt.	3rd Regt.	4th Regt.	Comp. Co. Lt.	83 Comp.	470 Comp.	576 Comp.	319 Squad.	Rep. Co. Squad.	Rep. Serv.	Senola Admin. duties.	Sen. Admin. Ft.	Total.
1000	1000	--	51	30	5	--	72	--	92	--	--	2495
1500	500	500	--	--	--	--	72	--	55	--	--	2627
--	850	--	--	--	5	--	--	--	53	--	--	1037
--	1700	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	106	--	--	2306
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770	820	--	--	--	15	6	72	--	55	--	--	3797
--	820	--	--	--	--	6	72	--	53	--	--	1610
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--	20	--	--	--	--	6	--	--	--	--	--	176
--	2700	1500	102	--	--	--	72	77	--	--	--	8251
1000	2000	3200	204	60	6	--	--	154	--	--	--	13253
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DATE: 4 March 1965.

M. S. JEFFERY, Major.  
DAICM.  
HQ 100 ICP.

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	1st Regt.	2nd Regt.	3rd Regt.	4th Regt.	Comp. OO. RR	83 Comp.	470 Comp.	576 Comp.	319 Squad.	Dep Com. Squad.	Dep Surv.
Stivalletti.	—	500	1500	500	—	110	76	—	1	—	85
Bretello.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hutande lana	3000	3000	1000	2000	—	60	—	—	2	—	104
Forchotte.	500	500	500	500	102	—	—	—	72	77	—
Cappotti.	500	500	500	200	102	80	—	—	43	77	365
Borse di Pulizia	600	600	600	—	40	30	—	—	20	20	30
Pullover.	300	300	300	—	102	30	—	—	1	—	65
Caltelli.	500	500	500	500	102	—	65	65	72	77	—
Gondole.	550	1000	1500	100	204	72	—	—	2	—	132
Calza lana.	1000	1500	1000	500	—	90	—	—	3	—	162
Quonchi.	1000	1000	500	500	102	—	65	65	72	77	—
Ambriguanti.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ghetto.	100	2000	1000	1000	51	30	—	—	1	—	55
Giabotti.	—	1500	600	600	51	30	—	—	1	—	55
Pantaloni.	—	1610	520	200	51	30	—	—	1	—	55
Guanti di lana	700	700	420	—	—	30	—	65	72	—	53
Magliotti di lana	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Barretti a Bamba	1000	1000	1000	—	—	80	—	—	72	—	2
Tute.	200	220	170	—	—	15	10	—	70	4	60

RELEASE NUMBER

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Date: 4 March 1953.

Distributions: 1. HQ JTC, HQ.  
2. Central Storehouse HQ.  
3. DADOS File.

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D.A.  
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3rd Regt.	4th Regt.	Comp. Co. 301	85 Cmp.	470 Cmp.	576 Cmp.	319 Sqnd.	Reg Cpn. Squad.	Reg Serv.	Squad Artillery	Com Squad Ptr.	Total.
1500	500	—	110	76	—	1	—	38	—	—	2175
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1000	2000	—	60	—	—	2	—	106	—	—	9166
500	500	102	—	—	—	72	77	—	—	50	2301
500	200	102	80	—	—	43	77	368	—	49	2416
600	—	40	30	—	—	20	20	30	—	10	1950
300	—	102	30	—	—	1	—	6	—	—	1098
500	500	102	—	65	65	72	77	—	—	50	2381
1500	100	204	72	—	—	2	—	132	—	100	3660
1000	500	—	90	—	—	3	—	162	—	—	4255
500	500	102	—	65	65	72	77	—	—	50	3431
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1000	1000	51	30	—	—	1	—	55	—	—	4237
600	600	51	30	—	—	1	—	55	—	—	2837
520	200	51	30	—	—	1	—	55	—	—	2467
420	—	—	30	—	65	72	—	53	—	—	3040
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1000	—	—	80	—	—	72	—	2	—	—	3154
170	—	—	15	10	—	70	4	60	190	—	899

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Date: 4 March 1945.

*[Signature]*  
 M. W. JEFFREY, Major.  
 DAACS.  
 2ND REGT. INF.

2ND REGT.

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 COMANDO DIVISIONE "PICENO"  
 C.A.C.P.I.C.  
 - Uff. Serv. - Sez. S.M. -

P.M. 92, li 28 febbraio 1945.-

MEMORIA DI SERVIZIO per il Sig. Magg. GELARDI - MILIA - RTC - ICF

CESANO

1.- Sono stati assegnati dal Ministero della Guerra i seguenti materiali di casermeaggio:

Tipo e quantità del materiale	Località ove debbono essere ritirati	n° autocarri necessari per il ritiro
Brande di ferro . . . . nr. 620	Spoleto	15
Armadietti . . . . " 46	Spoleto	5
Materiali di casermeaggio vari	Spoleto	3
Materiali di casermeaggio vari	Rieti	2
Sedie . . . . nr. 200	Roma	5
Pagliaricci . . . . " 4200	Bari	4
Materassi di crine . . . " 620	Bari	15
Ferri materassi . . . . " 620	Bari	1
Pagliaricci . . . . " 4000	Napoli	4

- 2.- Questo comando non ha avute la possibilità finora, per indisponibilità di autocarri, di provvedere al ritiro dei suddetti materiali.
- 3.- Sarebbe necessario disporre per tale particolare servizio di n° 10 autocarri per 20 giorni.-

- Capitano *P. Villani* 4113

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Materiali di casermaggio vari	Rieti	2
Sedie . . . . . nr. 200	Roma	5
Pagliaricci . . . . . " 4200	Bari	4
Materassi di crine . . . . " 620	Bari	15
Perte materassi . . . . . " 620	Bari	1
Pagliaricci . . . . . " 4000	Napoli	4

- 2.- Questo comando non ha avute la possibilità finora, per indisponibilità di autocarri, di provvedere al ritiro dei suddetti materiali.
- 3.- Sarebbe necessario disporre per tale particolare servizio di n° 10 autocarri per 20 giorni.

- Capitano *Verdini* Villaggi. 4113

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CONFIDENTIAL

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND  
APO No. 794 U. S. ARMY

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RFC/ag  
3 Mar 45

SUBJECT: Clothing RFC ICF  
TO : AFHQ Q(Maint)

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1. The MIU attached to RFC ICF OPERATIONS STATION reports that whereas the supply of battle dress now being issued to the RFC ICF is satisfactory in quantity it is of third grade quality only.
2. CO MIU reports that this fact is causing great dissatisfaction affecting the maintenance of discipline among the Italian personnel, who feel that they should not be asked to accept battle dress which is not new.
3. In view of the importance which CO MIU attaches to this matter, it is felt proper to bring it to your notice and ask for a decision of policy as to whether or not grade one quality battle dress could be issued in future.

*R. R. ...*

ALBERT L. ...  
Brigadier  
Deputy Commander

Copy to: DLM RFC ICF  
c/o Land Forces Sub-Commission AC (RMTA)  
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Subject: Clothing & Equipment.

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DAA & QMC,  
1st BUN. STC, ICF.

1st BUN, P.T.C. I.C.P.  
Ord 21/28.

28 Feb. '45.

1. Individual troops continue to call at the RMC Central Storehouse in order to exchange clothing.
2. In view of my repeated attention to this matter & requests that this practice should be stopped, may very strong representation be made to settle this question once & for all?
3. This afternoon about thirty men who stated they were from 7 Coy. 3 Battalion of 1st Regiment, called at the Central Storehouse to change Battledress. As most of them seemed genuine cases, with trousers & blouses which did not fit, I attended to the matter personally & effected a correct fitting for each individual.
4. It is realised that owing to short supplies & second hand clothing, the task of fitting recruits is not easy, but it is suggested that what can be done by the DADOS's personal attention in a Storehouse can just as well be effected by those directly responsible for the clothing of troops in Battalions & Regiments.
5. That little attention is paid to sizes & fittings of clothing given to soldiers is indicated by the continual stream of men who call at the Central Storehouse to change clothing & state, rightly or wrongly, that they can get no satisfaction from their unit stores.
6. If a Regiment draws a certain quantity of clothing for a similar quantity of recruits, it is appreciated that unless a size-roll has previously been taken, there will be a proportion of misfits. It is then the duty of the Regimental Stores either to exchange in bulk the unsuitable clothing, or if availability permits, to draw the additional items required from the Central Storehouse.
7. Can all concerned have their attention drawn to the above remarks?

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Major M.W. Jeffery,  
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SUBJECT: Clothing.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Ref: 10/3/59.

28 Feb. 55.

To: Capt H. State-Maggiore.  
N.F.C., I.C.V.

*reply at Folio 62.*

1. The undersigned N.C.O. of the 1st Bn. of the 1st Regiment visited this office this morning, with a Sergeant, and stated that he was detailed for a draft tomorrow and his battle dresses did not fit, and were in fact too small to wear, and that there were fourteen other men in his Company who were unable to wear their battle dresses.
2. I told him that this was in no way a matter with which the British could deal and that he should apply to his own Battalion Commander.
3. Could some steps be taken please, to ensure that soldiers do not come to us on these matters, as it tends to give the wrong impression when we can do nothing, and also is inclined to undermine the authority of their own officers.

*[Signature]*  
Edwards-Col. R.A.

Capt. Mag. Colonel Bolzano.  
1 Bn. Coy. 5. 1 Regt.

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SUBJECT :- Drawing of Clothing.

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HLU RTC IGP  
REF AQ/5/38  
26 Feb. 45

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*ref AQ/5/40*

RTC IGP

Reference by AQ/5/40 dated 18 February 1945.

There is no improvement in the position in regard to individual soldiers going to the R.T.C. Storehouse to change clothing. Would you please ensure that very strict orders are given to prevent this; and inform Bn. Commanders that disciplinary action must be taken against the unit concerned if proper steps are not taken to ensure that troops receive correct sizes of clothing, or have adequate opportunity to change badly fitting clothing in Unit stores.

*[Signature]*  
for Dtd of QMG

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SUBJECT :- Clothing - Caps P.S. Italian.

FORACTION FOR INFO	
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<i>[Signature]</i>	
Date	20 Feb 45
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HLJ RTO ICF.  
c/o Land Forces Sub Comd  
AC (MIA) ROMA.  
Ref ORD/21/20

10 Feb 45.

DADOS MIA.

Confirming phone call to your office yesterday, (Major JEFFERY speaking), present stocks of Italian Caps held by RTO Storehouse are low, and will be negligible once the draft of 1200 leaving CASANO on 22 Feb has been equipped to scale.

It is known that 5000 are on the way from BARI, but owing to the fact that there are still approximately that number of recruits in the RTO not yet fully clothed and equipped, will you please confirm that provision has been made to obtain further supplies in the near future, as otherwise we shall not be able to issue caps to fresh intakes.

*[Signature]*

Major H.W. JEFFERY.  
DADOS.

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DAA & QMG RTO ICF. ✓

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Release No 5

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SUBJECT :- Release of Clothing and Equipment.

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MEMO REC IOF.  
REF CMD/13/36.  
19 Feb 65.

MEMO REC IOF.

Copy to :-

DIA & OEB HLI REC IOF.  
Magasinario Festinario del Centro (action paragraph 5).

M.R.

Reference your 07/22/5/Ocas di prest dated 17 Feb '65.

1. Subject to stores being available, your demand is approved in full.

2. You are requested to arrange collection from third addressee of 1000 lbs 21 Feb '65.

3. Third addressee is requested to ref saids the items and quantities enumerated below, immediately or as soon as they are received from either 557 B.O.D. or ADOS HLI.

Qupe I.S. (Italian)	-	Berritti e Pasta	-	670
Shoes H.S.	-	Chiodini	-	1106
Kilts, Tails	-	Coltelli	-	1106
Paras, Aircraft	-	Parabette	-	1006
Tins, Mass Rectangular	-	Carotte e Savettini	-	760
Shirts, Brown	-	Peli Impermeabile	-	1006
Neckties	-	Corse pulisid	-	1200
S.D. Browners	-	Paratoloni panno	-	1160
Carriers Water Bottle	-	Costolic per berracco	-	1000
Maps Drinking Manual	-	Paaso di ferro smaltate	-	1200

4. It is observed that the following items have not been demanded :-

- 10 Rifles.
- 20 Greatcoats.
- 5 Vests woollen.

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5. Every effort is being made to obtain the 1000 rifles necessary for this draft.

6. Please advise me of your requirements for Greatcoats and vests woollen.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Reference your 67/215/3/Com di sent dated 17 Feb '45.

- 1. Subject to stores being available, your demand is approved in full.
- 2. You are requested to arrange collection from third addresses at 1000 hrs 21 Feb '45.

3. Third addresses is requested to set aside tin items and quantities enumerated below, immediately or as soon as they are received from either 57 A.O.D. or 4506 HMA.

Cape E.S. (Italian)	Muritti e Buato	670
Spoons W.S.	Chiodini	1106
Knives, Table	Colbelli	1106
Forks, Dinner	Forchete	1000
Tins, Metal Rectangular	Cavetto e Cavettini	768
Swords, Ground	Felti Impugnabile	1606
Knives	Berna pulina	1200
A.O. Fryers	Pantaloni panno	1160
Carriers Water Bottle	Cestole per burruco	1000
Stops Drinking Brassel	Tasse di ferro smaltate	1200

2. It is observed that the following items have not been furnished:

- 1<sup>o</sup> - Rifles.
- 2<sup>o</sup> - Greatcoats.
- 3<sup>o</sup> - Yeste Woolen. (X)

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- 5. Every effort is being made to obtain the 1200 rifles necessary for this draft.
- 6. Please advise us of your requirements for Greatcoats and yeste woolen.



M.W. JOHNSON Major.  
DIA/OCB.

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SUBJECT :- Blankets.

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PLJ HTO ICF.  
Ref AG/3/39.

17 Feb 45.

HTC ICF.

It was noticed this morning that Reinforcements were prepared for despatch with two blankets and one Comforter, in lieu of two blankets.

Would you please ensure that all Regiments are aware that Comforters are Barrack Stores and must not leave the HTC. Reinforcements must go forward with four British Blankets.

*Aug*  
Major R.A.  
DAA & QMG.

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