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Ap. 12, 1945 - Dec. 10, 1945

Subject: Engineer Stores for
RTC ICF CESANO.

104 C.R.E. WORKS
C.M.F.
Tel: 66023-4-5
Ref: CRE/WKS/340/4

To : AA & QMG,
Rome Area Allied Command.

6 Dec 45

'F' British Training and
Liaison Unit. RTC. ICF.

Lolio 100

Further to my even number of 29 Nov 45 the attached copy of DW letter ENG/8529/STORES of 8 Dec 45 is forwarded for your information.

*I will go & speak
to CRE on this subject*

Forbes
W. COOPER
C.R.E. 104 WORKS

JSWB/AG

Copy to: CRE/STO/502.

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C O P Y

Subject: Issue of Stores to
Italian Army.

GHQ CMF
Tel: FREEDOM 908
ENG/8529/STORES
8 Dec 45

To : 104 CRE

Copy to: CE 2 Dist
CE 3 Dist
Q(Maint) GHQ CMF

Ref your CRE/WKS/340/4.

1. Intimation has now been received from Q(Maint) this HQ that issues of stores should not normally be made to the Italian Army.

2. It is considered that these stores should now be forthcoming from Italian sources.

3. If however the demand is of a special nature or is considered to be partly an Allied responsibility then the case should be submitted to this HQ for prior approval.

4. The above is forwarded for guidance pending the possible issue of a full directive on the subject.

(Sgd) L.J. COLEMAN, Maj RE
for Brigadier
Director of Works

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SUBJECT: Timber.

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

Ref: A2/11/702

7 Dec. 45.

Ing. Enrico Fiorinante,
Via Monte Zebio 30
ROMA.

1. Reference your letter of 10 October 1945 requesting allotment of timber from Allied sources.
2. Information has now been received from the Director of Works, G.H.Q., in which it is regretted that timber cannot be supplied to the Italian Military.
3. Their requirements should now be met from Italian Military sources.

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Major R.A.C.
D.A. & C.A.I.

ABW/ah.

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Subject :- Timber

IO4 C.R.E. WORKS
 G.M.F.
 Tel : 66023 Ext: 3
 Ref : CRE/STO/502

30 Nov 45

To :- DAA & QMG
 'F' British Liaison &
 Training Unit, R.T.C., I.C.F.

*answer given by phone
 to contractor. She is to check
 about with
 Comd Mil School here* Ref your AQ/14/617 dated 17 Nov 45. 97

W.B./m Information has now been received from
 D.W., G.H.Q. that timber cannot be supplied to the
 Italian Military.

Their requirements should now be met
 from Italian Military sources.

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A. Lindley. Capt. R.E.
 C.R.E. IO4 WORKS

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2 DEC Recd

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Subject: Engineer Stores for
RTC ICF CESANO.

104 C.R.B. WORKS
G.M.P.
Tel: 66023-4-5
Ref: CFE/WES/340/4

To : Director of Works
Engineer Section
GHQ CMF.

29 Nov 45

Further to telephone conversation 27 Nov 45 Menage-
Bennett speaking regarding my Stores Demand Serial 104/124
of 19 Nov 45.

1. Very considerable issues of Engineer Stores have been made by your Directorate to RTC ICF CESANO in response to demands submitted by the RTC through this office. Such demands have hitherto been met with alacrity and in full.
2. Demands have been passed to you and certain other assistance rendered by this Unit to the RTC in conformity with a policy defined in AFHQ letters 2554/1/Q(Maint) of 17 Nov 44 (para 7 in particular) and AG 091.711/033 GGT-C of 13 Apr 45.
3. Your advice concerning my future action will be appreciated.
4. Meanwhile I am holding certain further demands, particularly for cement, until I hear from you.

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Finhemmer
W.C. Cole

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SecretALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 312

AG 091.711/033 GCT-0

Secret by Authority
of SACMT
Initials ???
Date 13 April 1945Subject:- Command and Administration -
PICENO Italian Combat Force
Rft Trg Center.To :- Commanding General
Rome Area Allied Command
APO 794.

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1. Reference is made to RAAG letter Q/242/5 dated 29 March 1945.
2. Letter, this headquarters, file AG/091.711/033 GCT-0, dated 24 March 1945 in no way cancels letter, this headquarters, 2554/1/Q (Maint), dated 17 November 1944.
3. Repair of buildings at the Italian Rft Trg Center remains in principle an Italian responsibility, but should it appear that work is being held up for material which can be supplied only from Allied resources, your continued action in accordance with your paragraph 5 is authorized. Details of exceptionally heavy requirements will be forwarded for consideration by this headquarters.
4. Purely Italian administration is restricted to 'A' 'G-1' matters such as pay, welfare, discipline, documentation, as detailed in this headquarters letter, AG 091.711/169 GCT-0, dated 16 November 1944, and to supply as detailed in letter, this headquarters, AG 400/105 D-0, dated 22 September 1944.

BY COMMAND OF FTEL MARSHALL ALEXANDER :

ALBERT W. KARR
Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

C O P Y

ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
Q(Maint) Section

2554/1/Q(Maint)
FREEDOM 208
17 Nov 44

Subject: Accon & Wks Services.

To : HQ AAI (5)
HQ 3 District (5)

Reference is made to AFHQ letter AG 400/105 D-O of
22 Sep 44.

1. The purpose of this instruction is to define the policy in regard to the provision of accommodation, and consequent work services for BR-ITIS.
2. The responsibility for provision of accommodation for US-ITIS, BR-ITIS and III-ITIS rests primarily upon the Italian Government. All Italian Army barracks and buildings are reserved for this purpose, except those requisitioned on authority of this Headquarters or of HQ AAI in the Operational Zone, for urgent allied requirements.
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 - b. Accommodated in Camps or tents provided by the Italian Government.or
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 - a. In cases where BR-ITIS are ordered by the Allies to work, or to stage in transit, in places where Italian accommodation does not exist and cannot be made available, they will be accommodated in requisitioned buildings, camps or tentage provided by British military authorities, under direction of Army, District or Area Commanders.
 - b. In such cases provision of works services may be necessary.
These fall into two categories:
 - (i) Works services to BQI scales
 - (ii) Minor works.

(5., cont'd).

c. In respect of (i) above, all applications for works to EQI scales shall first be screened by MMIA and thereafter passed to AFHQ for approval. In respect of (ii) above, minor works services will be treated as normal maintenance and dealt with by the HQ District, or Area concerned.

6. Notification of all occupations in para 5 (a) should be reported to the Local Hirings Officer.

7. In implementing the above instructions it is incumbent upon the HQ District or Area, in whose territory accommodation may be required, to render all assistance possible to the Italian Government when the latter is carrying out its responsibility of providing accommodation.

(Sgd) M.C.A. SHARP, Brigadier
for Major Gen G-4 (B)

Copy to: MMIA (5) G-1 (B) G-2 G-5 (As)
Works Ord (B) - Claims & Hirings (5)
PA HQ AC 6076/Q(Maint) 6277/Q(Maint).

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Copy to: MMLA (9) G-1 (B) G-3 G-5 (AM)
Works Ord (B) - Claims & Hirings (5)
FA HQ AC 6075/Q(Maint) 6277/Q(Maint).

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FILE

SUBJECT: Cement.

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

Ref: - AG/14/544

24 November 45.

To: O.C.,
104 C.A.R. Forts.

Copy to: M.O.,
R.T.O., I.C.F.

1. Herewith copy of letter from H.I.C. I.C.F. requesting a supply of cement for units of this Centre.

2. Although the amount appear to be excessive it would be appreciated if the demand could be met as it is urgently required for outstanding works.

ASJ/et.



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Colonel,
Comd, 1st British Liaison &
Training Unit ICG ICF.

TRANSLATION.

21 Nov 1945.

05/9577/S/EM.

SUBJECT: Cement.

Reference AM/14/47 dated 19 Oct 45.

With reference to parag. 2 of above letter, we inform you that the estimated requirements for cement over the next three months are 300 quintals (about 600 cwt) to be distributed as follows:-

1 Infantry Training Regt.	40 cwt.
2 Infantry Training Regt.	44 "
Infantry School.	36 "
152 Arty Training Regt.	40 "
Engineers Regt for (Field Engineer School)	96 "
(60 - Maintenance 36)	
S.I.V.A.	32 "
Driver School.	24 "
Arty Mech School.	26 "
Services for	100 "
(1500 TWT Pl.	
(Bakery Sec.	
(Vis Stores.	
(Disinfection Sec.	
(Cent. Stores C.G.	
(Signal Sec.	
G.C.R.R. Coy.	8 "
155 Workshops.	20 "
83 Hospital.	4 "
To be kept in Stores as a reserve.	130 "

Above cement will be used for the following works:-

- Maintenance of all the premises of Barracks, Offices, Billets, Stores, Workshops, P.T., etc.
- Fixing up of all implements for all the Schools.
- Fixing up of Mech tools and machinery for the Workshops.
- Fixing up of doors, windows, cupboards, hooks, etc, for the Barracks.
- Repairing floors of kitchens, lavatories, wash plants etc.

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S.I.V.A.	52 "
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Fixing up of Mech tools and machinery for the Workshops.

Fixing up of doors, windows, cupboards, hooks, etc, for the Barracks.

Repairing floors of kitchens, Lavatories, wash plants etc.

The 130 cwt will be kept in store to meet all sudden and urgent requirements in which case a special authority will be given by this H.Q. to draw the quantity of cement required.

You are kindly requested to arrange for the allocation of above quantities of cement required.

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ta autorizzato per quei lavori imprevisti e di carattere indila
zionabile.

Premesso quanto sopra si prega la cortesia di cotesto Coman
do volersi compiacere - qualora nulla osti - provvedere all'as-
segnazione del cemento di cui è oggetto la presente.-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col. L. Malavasi)

Malavasi

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SUBJECT :- Timber.

104 C.R.E. Works.

'F' BRITISH LIAISON AND TRAINING UNIT

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

Ref : AO/14/617

17 November 1945.

Reference your CRE/STO/502 dated 10th November 1945.

The requirements of Impresa Enrico Picomonte for timber on the construction of Italian Military Barracks at BRACCIANO and MANZIANA are as follows :

<u>Description</u>	<u>Size.</u>	<u>Ft. Run.</u>	<u>Tons.</u>
Bault Squared and Roughly Squared	7"x7"	3,000	12
Scaffolding Planks	2 1/2"x12" (or near size)	15,000	50 approx.
Scantlings.	1"	<u>Ft. Super.</u> 4,000	6
"	2"	10,000	31
"	3"	4,000	185359

All timber required is soft wood - pitch pine.

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Reference your CRE/STO/502 dated 10th November 1945.

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Major PAC,
D.A.A. & Q.M.S.,
Ft. British Liaison,
Training Unit RTC IOR

cc

B/F

17 Dec

*removed
D. M. F.
on 10/1
M.*

Subject: Timber.

"F" BRITISH LIAISON & TRG UNIT,
R.T.C. I.C.F.

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Ref: AQ/14/583.

To: 104 C.R.E.
R.A.A.C.

9 Nov 45.

1. Ref conversation Store Officer/ Major Bradley (DAA & QMG), herewith please find correspondence relating to the request for pitch pine timber.
2. This timber is urgently required in order to proceed with constructional work before winter weather sets in.
3. We shall be glad if you can place an order for this timber on behalf of Impresa Enrico Fioricanti.

ESH/jti.

Internal.

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Colonel,
Commander,
"F" BRITISH LIAISON & TRG UNIT, R.T.C. I.C.F.

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Subject :- Timber

IO4 C.R.E. Works

C.M.F.

Tel : 66023 Ext : 3

Ref : CRE/STO/~~323~~ 502.

10 Nov '45

'F' British Liaison & Training Unit

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

C. M. F.

folio 94.

Reference your AQ/14/583 dated 9 Nov 45.

Please re-submit your requirements of timber in accordance with para 3 of attached 3 District letter CE.5005 dated 22 Oct 45.

On receipt of this, your demand will be forwarded to Director of Works, C.H.Q.

RD/EM

AA & QMG	
DAA & QMG	<i>EdS</i>
SC-A & Q	<i>to</i>
DIST	
GENUS	
ADM	
To: _____	
Date: _____	
By: _____	
12.10.1945 File <i>1A</i>	

J. W. Dore
C.R.E. IO4 WORKS

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COPY

E.L.S.

SUBJECT:- Timber - Monthly Requirements.

12 CRE Wks
 18 CRE Wks
 20 CRE Wks
 82 CRE Wks
 104 CRE Wks

Chief Engineer,
 3 District, CMF.
 Tel: Baseball 88
 CE.5005.
 } Oct 45.

1. Monthly timber requirements will, in future, be required two months in advance i.e. Dec Demand must be placed in Oct.
2. Your requirements for Dec must reach this HQ by the 28th of this month and subsequently on the 26th of the appropriate ensuing month.

3. The standard sizes of sawn timber produced and ^{conversion} ~~conversion~~ figures from foot super and foot run to tons are as listed below :-

<u>Description</u>		<u>Foot Super to 1 Ton.</u>
Scantlings	Softwood 1" - 8' to 16'	650
"	" 2" - "	325
"	" 3" - "	220
"	" 4" - "	160
"	Hardwood 1" - "	420
"	" 2" - "	210
"	" 3" - "	140
"	" 4" - "	105
<u>Baulk squared and roughly squared</u>		
"	" 4" to 6"	250
"	" 7" to 9"	100
"	" 10" to 12"	55
<u>Foot Run to 1 Ton.</u>		
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4. Demands for hardwood should be kept to a minimum. This item can only be issued up to the proportion of 15% of total demands.
5. Requirements for pickets, poles and sleepers will be included in monthly demands.

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"	" 10" to 12"	55
		<u>Foot Run to 1 Ton.</u>
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4. Demands for hardwood should be kept to a minimum. This item can only be issued up to the proportion of 15% of total demands.
5. Requirements for pickets, poles and sleepers will be included in monthly demands.
6. Plywood will be made the subject of a separate demand.

JH/vm

(Sgd) (R.U. LEWIN)
Major R.E.
for Brigadier,
Chief Engineer.

IMPRESA DI COSTRUZIONI
ING. ENRICO FIERIMONTE
ROMA - VIA MONTE ZEBIO, 30
TELEFONO 361.477

Rome, 10 Oct. 1945

TO

GENIO MILITARE OF THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND - ROMA
WORK DIRECTORATE

Subject: Request of allotment of building timber.-

1. This Building Firm has effected during the current year for account of your Direction the repairs of Cosenz-Del Grande Barraks at Bracciano as well as repairing works of civilian buildings for military billets at Manziana. This firm is also effecting at present the repair of the buildings of the 4.th Section - Military Centre at Cesano.

2. This Building Firm was obliged to use for the execution of the above mentioned works a considerable quantity of their building timber stocks. One part of it has been used for the construction of roofs, and another part, even larger, has been employed for the further use of scaffoldings and temporary constructions in various building yards; the great number of buildings to be repaired requests the frequent transfer of the timber from one building to another.

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3. In view of the urgent execution of works in the Military Centre of Cesano, this Building Firm needs absolutely to complete their timber stocks.

In consideration of the above mentioned circumstances and the fact that the production and the commerce of the fir-tree are controlled by the Allied Authorities, you are requested to apply to the Allied Military Command in order ^{that} mc.200 (two hundred) of fir-tree or pitch-pine timber may be allotted to this Building Firm.

Doct.Eng. Enrico Fierimonte (signature)

GENIO MILITARE OF THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND
R O M E

Work Directorate - 3rd. Section

The Building Firm Ing. Enrico Flerimonte has effected actually important works for the Training Centres near Bracciano and Manziana.

At present this Firm is effecting several urgent works for the Training Centre at Cesano.

In order to enable this Firm to achieve these works, it would be advisable to allot the timber requested.

Work Director

A. Bucchi - Major (signature)

Director Colonel

R. Barela (signature)

IMPRESA DI COSTRUZIONI
ING. ENRICO FIERIMONTE
ROMA - VIA MONTE ZEBIO, 30
TELEFONO 361.477

Rome, 6 Nov. 1945

With reference to the request of allotment of building timber certificated by the Offices concerned of Genio Militare Italiano (original and translation attached), details and dimensions are given as follows:

- scaffolding spars 7" x 7"	1.000 yards
- scaffolding planks 2"½ x 12"	5.000 yards
- scantling lengths { 1"	4.000 square feet
{ 2"	10.000 square feet
{ 3"	4.000 square feet

Particular attention is drawn to the necessity that pitch-pine timber should be allotted.

ing. Enrico Fierimonte

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Roma, 10 Ottobre 1945

IMPRESA DI COSTRUZIONI
ING. ENRICO FIERIMONTE
 ROMA - VIA MONTE ZEBIO, 30
 TELEFONO 361.477

SPETT.

DIREZIONE LAVORI GENIO MILITARE DEL
 COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI

R O M A

OGGETTO : richiesta di assegnazione di legname da costruzione-

Premesso che quest'Impresa nel corrente anno ha eseguito per conto di codesta Spett. Direzione i lavori di riattamento della Caserma Cosenz e Del Grande in Bracciano e quelli per la sistemazione di fabbricati civili ad uso accantonamenti militari in Manziana ed ha attualmente in corso i lavori di sistemazione degli edifici del IV° lotto nel Centro Militare di Cesano;

Considerato che per l'esecuzione dei sopracitati lavori quest'Impresa ha già fortemente intaccato le proprie scorte di legname da costruzione; in quanto una parte è stata adoperata per la costruzione di coperture di tetti ed un'altra, ancora maggiore, si è venuta degradando per il successivo reimpiego nei ponteggi e nelle opere provvisorie dei vari cantieri, nei quali il trasferimento del legname da un edificio all'altro, e quindi il suo degradamento, si rende necessario ad intervalli di tempo molto brevi, dato il gran numero di edifici da riattare;

Considerato altresì che per la rapida esecuzione dei lavori nel centro militare di Cesano quest'Impresa ha assoluta necessità di ⁵³⁵³ reintegrare le proprie scorte di legname da costruzione, e che attualmente la produzione ed il commercio del legname di abete sono assoggettati al blocco delle Autorità Alleate, si prega codesta Spett. Direzione di voler interessare il Comando Militare Alleato di Cesano perchè a quest'Impresa venga sollecitamente concessa un'assegnazione di mc. 200 (duecento) di legname di abete od eventualmente di pitch-pine.

Con osservanza

ing. Enrico Fierimonte

DIREZIONE DEI LAVORI GENIO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI
R O M A

3^a SEZIONE

Effettivamente l'Impresa Ing. ENRICO FLERIMONTE ha eseguito i lavori di notevole importo per i Centri di Addestramento presso Bracciano e Manziana.

Ha ora in corso molti urgenti lavori presso il Centro Addestramento di Cesano; sarebbe quindi quanto mai opportuno, ai fini dell'esecuzione dei lavori stessi, che all'Impresa venisse assegnato il legname richiesto.

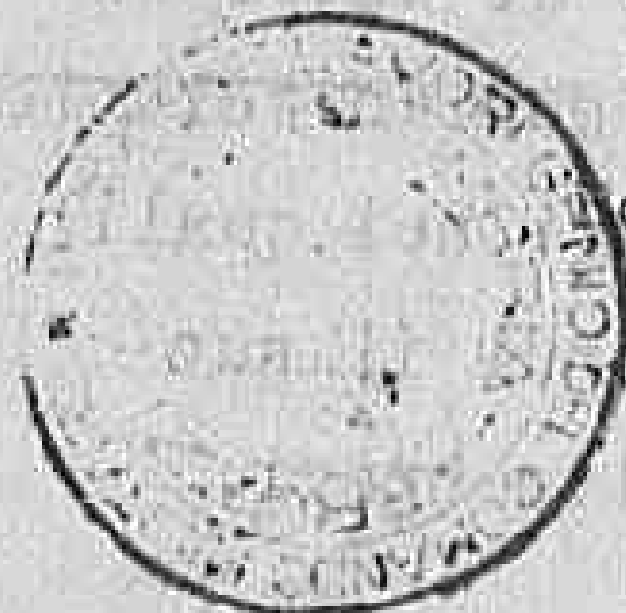
IL DIRETTORE DEI LAVORI
(Magg. A. Bucchi),

Barola
IL COLONNELLO DIRETTORE
(C. Barola)

Barola

Bucchi

Roma, 12 ottobre 1945



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SUBJECT: LAVOR STRADA DOMINGO

17th BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.A.C. 1.0.2.

REF: 10/14/65
27 October 65.

For Reputazione Provvisoria di Roma.


I am in receipt of your letter No. 1493 U of the 26th October 65.

The position is as follows:-

This headquarters advised the allotment of a certain number of M.D. vehicles for the transport of materials and workers in order to expedite the completion of the work on the roads.

These vehicles were used by all the Contractors engaged in work in this Centre, including the firm you mention, L. Lapres-Carnie to.

There is no intention now or at any time in the future to make any change against any of these Contractors for the use of these vehicles.

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Colonel
Genl. 101 British Liaison &
Training Unit 17th

10/1/65

O I L E

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SUBJECT:- Cement.*P* BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref: AQ/11/247

19 October 45. *f*To: H.Q.
R.T.C., I.C.F.

1. Reference your letter 05/8654/S/SM dated 14 Oct 1945, information has been received from I.C.F. Works, Rome, that cement is in extremely short supply and that orders placed now cannot be filled under 2 months.
2. In order that a comprehensive demand can be placed, please submit to this headquarters as soon as possible detailed estimated requirements for cement over the next three months. Endeavours will then be made to secure it.

Plk
Major,
Imiska.
DAASQK.

ESH/kr.

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HOME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 794 H. S. ARMY

Q.242/5

TRG/AG
27 May 45

SUBJECT: Engineer Services - GERMANY Station

file.

TO : 104 GEB Works

Reference this in letter Q.242/5 dated 14 May 45.

1. The attached copy letter has been received from AFES in reply to the above-quoted letter, and is forwarded for your information and attention.

Sheet Copy
MAJOR
DAGNE

Copy to: Land Forces Sub-Commission AG (MCLA)
P. MIL REG IDF

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AA & QMC
DAA & QMC <i>Q4</i>
SC "A" & "Q"
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Vehicles	
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(Main) SECTION

647/Q(Main)

SUBJECT: Engineer Services - GIBANO STATION

REFERENCE 592

TO: ROSE Area Allied Command

23 May 1945

Reference your Q 242/5 dated 14 May 45 addressed to Q(AE).

1. The undermentioned items are available and can be supplied if demanded through 104 GIB Works:

Lampholders
Ceiling Boxes
Switches/Fuses
Cable Klac VIB .002 single
Cords Elec twin
Screws Rd Hd 1" x 90
Screws Rd Hd 1" x 1/2" x 60
Porcelain Cleats

2. The following is the position regarding the supply of other items not available.

- a. Porcelain Junction Boxes - Not likely to be available in near future, but these can easily be improvised.
- b. Switches, tumbler, 5 amp - production of these can be arranged locally but none available meanwhile.
- c. Reflectors Industrial - Not available, no more being imported.
- d. Plug & Sockets - Believed available from civilian sources. Italian standards differ from British standards.

L. WILSON, Major
for Major General

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SUBJECT: Concrete

REF: MIL. INTS. DIV.

Ref: AG/114/543.

17 May 45.

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

Copy to: Direzione Lavori Genio
Militare Territoriale di Rom.

Confirming telephone conversation Capt. Villani/Major Galardi.

1. Please arrange for the 500-tons of cement to be distributed as follows:-

ditte Gimmi Ing. Mario,	<u>200</u> 40
Impresa Costruzioni Generali Ing. Gaussope Conestio,	80
Societa Iamale Costruzioni Generali.	200
Ditta Puccini Gino.	50
Ditta Gaggellini Ing. Washington.	20
Ditta Prati Carlo.	50
Reserve.	60
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TOTAL

2. It will be noted that this is a slight alteration on the 11418 given by Direzione Lavori Genio Militare di Rom; in order to hold a reserve of 60-tons.

Major R.A.
DIA & GIB.

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47 May 45.

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

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Militare Territoriale di Roma.

Confirming telephone conversation Capt. Villani/Major Gelardi.

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Impresa Costruzioni Generali Ing. Giuseppe Consetto.	80
Societa' Lancia Costruzioni Generali.	200
Ditta Puccini Cino.	50
Ditta Cappellini Ing. Washington.	20
Ditta Prati Carlo.	50
Reserve.	80

TOTAL
500

2. It will be noted that this is a slight alteration on the figures given by Direzione Lavori Cerio Militare di Roma, in order to hold a reserve of 60-ton.



Major R.A.
I.M.A. & G.M.

AMG/ah.

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Float.

SUBJECT: Soils

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91 MAY 1950 REF
REF No. 14/259

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rept. 18

INDEX ALIGNED AREA CORRIDOR

Copy to: LAND SURVEY DIST CORP AG (HCLA)
ENTR AREA
1/4 1 STN TO TETUAN AREA

Ref Map Sheets 1:50,000 145 II CORRIDOR AL AREA
143 III BOUNDARY

1. The section of roads under report are as follows:—

(a) Section From Fork Road to 67726 to X Road to 67827

The surface is readily disintegrating and there are seven filled in bomb craters which are very bad filled.

(b) Section From X Road to 69587 to OSMAN VILLAGE to 62472

The surface has completely disintegrated and there are very deep and extensive pot-holes. In particular the section from OSMAN station through the 870 area is very bad indeed.

(c) Section From X Road to 69587 to BOUNDARY VILLAGE to 62304

The surface particularly near BOUNDARY is readily disintegrating and there are a number of pot-holes which are increasing in depth and extent.

(d) Section From BOUNDARY VILLAGE to 62304 to 6347
to 62304

This road is almost impassable. Parts of the original surface remain and there are very deep depressions between them. Pot-holes are increasing rapidly.

(e) Section From BOUNDARY VILLAGE to 62304 to BOUNDARY
to 62304

The surface has to a large extent disintegrated and the number of pot-holes is increasing rapidly.

Ref Map Sheet 145400 143 RI coordinates of base
 143 RI coordinates

The section of roads under report are as follows :-

(a) Section From Fort Roads RI 67726 to A Roads RI 67727

The surface is roughly disintegrating and there are seven filled in bomb craters which are very bad indeed.

(b) Section From A Roads RI 67727 to ONKING VILLAGE RI 67729

The surface has completely disintegrated and there are very deep and extensive pot-holes. In particular the section from ONKING station through the RVU area is very bad indeed.

(c) Section From A Roads RI 67727 to PROCEANO VILLAGE RI 67728

The surface particularly near Proceano is roughly disintegrating and there are a number of pot-holes which are increasing in depth and extent.

(d) Section From Proceano Village RI 67728 to ~~RI 67729~~ RI 67727

This road is about irremediable. Parts of the original surface remain and there are very deep depressions between them. Pot-holes are increasing rapidly.

(e) Section From Proceano Village RI 67728 to THUMBINO RI 67729

The surface has to a large extent disintegrated and the number of pot-holes is increasing rapidly.

2. The demands on all these roads are very heavy and all are essential for the operation of the RVU. In particular Section (a) is used by all traffic, Military, Postoffice and Civilian proceeding to OSMAN. The RVU Training Centre on Laba Inceano, Proceano, Maridau and Trovignau, at each of which place there are considerable bodies of troops and there with the exception of the RVU Centre and Trovignau, large constitutional contingents are in hand involving very heavy civilian levy traffic. Section (b) is used by all traffic to OSMAN and as there is no alternative route for all purposes must use it. It is estimated that the average density is not less than 500 to 700 heavy vehicles in both directions each day. Section (c) has the same density of traffic as Section (a). Section (d) has less traffic, but in that its condition is so appalling, this short stretch is a vital source of damage. Section (e) is of less importance, but if taken in hand shortly, a great deal of expense and labour will be avoided.

3. It is understood that contracts for Section (a) to (d) have been placed by the AF Lando Iberia Region (Engineering Division). That for Section (b) is placed with Marine Construction General and it is believed that the same firm is responsible for all the work.

Work has in fact started in Section (b) but with the exception of a desalting and completely useless attempt to patch the curbs on Section (a), no other work appears to be in hand. It is understood that none of these roads are classed as Military roads, but if this is the case some classification of the position appears to be required. As the contracts were placed by AF it would appear that the responsibility for supervision lies with AF. Is this the case? The contract was placed for a turbo road and not a water bound surface.

4. It is understood that the work in Section (b) is progressing very slowly. The Contractor states that this is due to:

- (a) To deficiencies of transport,
- (b) The absence of bitumen.

With regard to (a), the Contractor informs us that it has been decided that no bitumen will be made available for this road and that it is to be a water bound surface. If this is in fact the case, my I suggest that the matter be re-considered. In my opinion a top water bound dressing applied to the surface of what was originally a macadamised road will distinguish within a few weeks, even the end within a short time the whole road will be nothing more than a bed of loose metal. This will be even more desirable to transport that the present surface and the whole of the expense involved in carrying out the work will be completely wasted.

5. If the responsibility does not lie with AF, then my I urgently request that a similar MS Officer experienced in road construction should inspect the work so far completed in order that an authoritative ruling on the opinion I have expressed may be obtained.

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Lieut-Col. M.

It is understood that the work in Hamilton (V) is pending very slowly. The Contractor states that this is due to:

- (a) No facilities of transport,
- (b) The absence of bitumen.

With regard to (b). The Contractor informs us that it has been decided that no bitumen will be made available for this road and that it is to be a water bound surface. If this is in fact the case, my I suspect that the matter be re-considered. In my opinion a top water bound dressing applied to the surface of such an originally a macadamised road will disintegrate within a few weeks, even the soil within a short time the whole road will be nothing more than a bed of loose metal. This will be even more damaging to transport that the present surface and the whole of the expense involved in carrying out the work will be completely wasted.

5. If the responsibility does not lie with the Contractor I should suggest that a senior US Officer experienced in road construction riding on the opinion I have expressed may be obtained.

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Lieut-Col M

12/1/61

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SECRET 1- Damage to Transport

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REF: HQS 12001 IAF
Ref A/14/297
12 APR 55

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LAND FORCESS SIB COMAG AG (GCHIA)

Copy to :- HQAF
IAT

1. My HQ/14/299 attached covers a report on the roads utilized by the vehicles of the HQS IAF.

2. The appalling condition of these roads is a very serious matter and is adversely affecting the efficient operation of the HQS for the following reasons :-

- (a) Transport in this theatre is in short supply and for this reason the HQ transport allocation of the Centre has been cut to the minimum.
- (b) Although the cost of this transport is admittedly intended to be an Italian responsibility and all replacements will similarly be paid for by the Italian Government, the factor which governs the transport position in this theatre is not cost but availability.
- (c) The rate of depreciation of transport in this theatre is really alarming. A big proportion of the total holding is invariably in ~~excess~~ ^{excess} ~~undergoing~~ ^{undergoing} repair, **5345** this is partly due to the Italian habit of over-loading and of driving too fast, but these factors exact a far heavier toll when all journeys are necessarily performed over almost impassable roads.
- (d) Repair facilities are very limited as 1) Port Moresby has not been advanced and although ~~being~~ ^{is being} ~~is being~~ ^{is being} everything possible to organize Italian Workshops, deficiencies of tools and lack of trained mechanics renders the process a very slow one.
- (e) The rate of depreciation exceeds the ability to repair and it is inevitable within a short time that the whole Centre will be virtually immobilized with the consequent grave interference with Training and Administration.

2. The appalling condition of these roads is a very serious matter and is adversely affecting the efficient operation of the AMC for the following reasons :-

- (a) Transport in this theatre is in short supply and for this reason the AM transport allocation of the Centre has been cut to the minimum.
- (b) Although the cost of this transport is admittedly intended to be an Italian responsibility and all replacements will similarly be paid for by the Italian Government, the factor which governs the transport position in this theatre is not cost but availability.
- (c) The rate of depreciation of transport in the Centre is really alarming. A big proportion of the total holding is irretrievably in workshop undergoing repairs. This is partly due to the Italian habit of over-loading and of driving too fast, but these factors exact a far heavier toll when all forays are necessarily performed over almost impassable roads.
- (d) Repair facilities are very limited as 19 Port Workshops has now been withdrawn and although repair is being everything possible to organize Italian Workshops, deficiencies of tools and lack of trained mechanics renders the process a very slow one.
- (e) The rate of depreciation exceeds the ability to repair and it is inevitable within a short time that the whole Centre will be virtually immobilized with the consequent grave interference with Training and Administration.
- (f) It is proposed to issue 4 x 2 Cars light utility for Officer personnel of the Centre as they become available. Experience of the last two months has shown that these vehicles will not stand up to the road conditions and that their expectation of life is a matter of weeks. It is suggested that these should be replaced by Cars 4 x 2 (Jeeps) or 15-cwt Trucks.

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Lieut-Col RA

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