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SCHOOL OF INFANTRY

Oct. - NOV 1946

Declaration E.O. 12065 Section 1-402/NNDC NO. 785020

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As in the proximity of the School no other grounds are available for the above training and because the ranges are indispensable for the existence of the School, the 3.M.H. is kindly requested to study carefully the question and take it up on a high level, to obtain at least the area South of the Lake of Martignano, to build up permanent ranges according with the schemes already forwarded by this H.Q. with letter No. 05/1171/A/Genio of the 15th April last.

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No. 145

11 Oct. 1946.

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SUBJECT : Allotment of lend.

To : H. Infantry School

- CESANO DI ROMA

For information to : PHEFECT OF ROLE - ROLE

The Commando must be aware that the portion of land belonging to this "Universita' Agraria' and successively taken in possession by Genio Militare, to be allotted to the Centro Scuole is limited to the large area occupied by the buildings and enclosed by walls.

All the remaining property of the "Universita' Agraria", in accordance the ordnance of the 19th October 1944 No. 284 has been subdivided into 265 allotments - about 3 No. each - and given to as many citizens of Desano who are bound within three years to work and improve the land for their own benefit and for that of the Nation as well.

Towards the end of 1944 a scheme of subdivision of the above land was worked out and edvertisements were published with the approval by the "Commissario degli Usi Civili" (a Chief of the Office dealing with the land belonging to the Community). On the 3rd of February 1945 a special Ordinance was obtained after which the land was allotted to the peasants on the 8th of September r.year.

However since than 56 peasants, to which the last comprised in the localities called "Befo" and "M.S. Andrea & Frati S. Nicola" were allotted, have complained to this Office that the necessary works for the recuperation of the above land could not be started because the grounds were used by the Infantry School for training purposes. In fact owing to the necessities of the above training - passage of troops, M.T., digging of trenches, firing drills, etc., it was practically impossible for the peasants to work successfully.

as this "Universita' Agraria" has no other land to distribute among a great number of peasants who must work for their living the Commando is kindly requested to transfer elsewhere the ranges. Horever it is kindly requested that the present difficult political moment be taken into consideration and further troubles be spared, this office which is trying its best to check any political excitement by satisfying as far as possible the claims of the local peasantry in great need of cultivatable land.

As the question must be urgently settled a prompt reply would be ${
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CCUOLA DI PANTERLA Uff. Ada.to

No. 03/2052/

Cesano di Roma 17/10/46

Subject : Ranges and Training Grounds.

To

: Comando Scuole Centrali Filitari - Uff. Addestramento

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The recent allowances of land to the peasants granted by the Government have created in the Cesano Eone a particular situation that will seriously affect the organization of this Infantry School. In fact all the land both and next to the School, a few Kilometers deep, telonging to the "Universita" Agraria" has been allotted to the peasants of the reighbouring Districts to be intensively cultivates.

on the above area the School has made ranges for small arms, mortars, and for hand-precades; other works have been done as well, defence trenches, mine -fields, etc. for demonstrative purposes accoming to the training programs of the School. As all the above grounds were used then only as grazing-land they could easily be used by the School for training purposes as well without limitation of time or season, and they could be reached easily and without E.T. so that the daily programme could be carried on thoroughly and without loss of time. These advantages had been taken into consideration when it was decided that the Infantry School should remain at Cesano, even more so because (owing to the limited means of motor transport assigned to the School) a great economy of E.T. was obtained.

Owing to the nearness of the above grounds it was possible for the School to run many Courses at a time (in the last period of training 8 Courses were run at a time for about 1300 students) but if the present conditions after, the training possibilities of the School would after as well so that more reduced tasks should be assigned to the School by the Kinistry of Mar.

In the whole territory no other locality - near or distant - can be found without damaging the cultivations or where the necessary safety measure could be taken, even if this could be possible, the "chool would have to be given a great deal more transport than it has at present.

Aware as I am of the political and social necessities of this particular moment, and of the difficult problems to be solved by the Government, and by Feople, I am anyhow obliged to point out the new situation arising at the School from the above informations.

I enclose herewith copy of letter No. 145 dated the 11th inst. received by this Comando from the "Universita' Agraria" of Cosano di Rosa.

I am waiting forther instructions by that Commando.



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nº 01/10244/Add.Gen.

ROME 26 Oct. 1946

Subjet - Ranges and training areas.=

to the STATO MAGGIORE ES. Uff. Op. Add. Sez. Add.

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The General in Comm. (Ercole RONCO)

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SCUOIA DI FANTERIA - Uff. ' d.to

nº 03/2052/

Cesano di ROMA 17-10-46

Subj.:- Ranges and training grounds.

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Owing to the nearness of the above grounds it was possible to the School to run many Courses at a time (in the last period of training 8 Courses were run at a time for about 1300 students) but if the present conditions should alter the training possibilities of the School would alter as well so that more reduced tasks should be assigned to the School sease by the Ministry of War.

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I am waiting further instructions by that Commando.

The Colonel in Comm.
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UNIVERSITA' AGRARIA-CESA, J DI ROMA

Nº 145

11 Oct. 1946

Subje: - Allotment of land = To the H.Q. of the SCUOLE MILITARI DI FANTERIA

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Tow rds the end of 1944 a scheme of subdivision of the above land was worked out and advertisements were published with the approval by the "Commessario degli Usi Civili" (a Chief of the Office dealing with the land belonging to the Community). - On the 3rd of Febru. 1945 a special Ordinance was obtained after which the land was allot= ted to the peasants on the 8th of September r.year.

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12 B. L. U. C. H. F.

(Tel : BOM: 489081 Est : 545)

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Hoverber 1946

To : H.Q. Central Military Schools

It has been reported that there is difficulty in arranging with the civil authorities in the area CERANO-SHACCIARD for the use of land for field-firing. It is requested that you will furnish this B.L.U. with a statement as to :-

- a) What diriculties have been encountered in this commection.
- b) Wher errangements are being made to ensure that the Schools of Artillery and Infantry will have adequate field-firing areas at their disposal in future.

Lt. Col.

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SUBJECT : Ranges and Praining Arons - School of Infantry.

12 MLU. 0. M. F.

(Tel : HUMB 489081 Ext : 545)

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SUBJECT : Infantry School - Cesono.

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(Tel: ROME 489081 Nort: 545)

G. 13.

October 1946.

To : H.C. Land Porces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

The Training area used by the above School for the past year and a half is not Government owned property, and for the past year a great deal of difficulty has been experienced in finding areas suitable for ranges. A proposal for the requisitioning of land and building of ranges was submitted through Engineer channels, but in spite of numerous reminders during the past six months, no decision has been made by the Ministry of War.

The position has now become acute, the land in question has now been given by the Comers to the Workers, who are demonling the right to till the soil and go about their work undisturbed, in which case it will be impossible for any training with live assumption to be carried out in the Cesano area. The same difficulty has also arisen in the Manziana area where the School has it's three inch mortar ranges.

May therefore a letter be sent to the Italian Ministry of War, asking them, what action they propose to take, to ensure that a reasonable training area and range area is made available for the School.

FIH/gm.

Lt. Colonel, G.S.