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MINUTES OF M.M.I.A. CONFERENCE.

HELD AT U.S.C. M.M.I.A. ROOM.

22 - 29 January, 1946.

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"Q" Points - 29 January 1946.MOTOR TRANSPORT.

1. The general situation is regards Italian Army transport was explained. This may be summarized as follows:-

The former Combat Divisions have retained the British vehicles in their possession on the 15 November 45. In addition, a number of British motorcycles have recently been made available for the CCAR.

The remainder of the Italian Army is equipped with old Italian vehicles, the majority of which are in need of replacement.

2. A limited number of British spare parts are being made available in the immediate future, and the C.A.R.E. at Bologna is to become the Italian Army Base Workshop for all M.T. repairs to British vehicles. It is hoped this will be functioning by the end of March. The situation as regards the maintenance of British vehicles is most unsatisfactory and energetic steps are being taken with G.H.Q. to obtain a more satisfactory supply of the necessary parts.

3. As regards Italian Army vehicles, a very large number of repairs vehicles are now awaiting workshop overhaul. There is no shortage of Italian spare parts, but the type situation is serious and negotiations are still proceeding to afford the War Ministry a fair proportion of the civilian type manufacture and repair.

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4. The A.D.N.S. gave a brief review of the technical difficulties of the Italian Army repairs service. Each Territorial Command, however, has got an Army workshop at its disposal. CC.RR vehicles must be repaired at the nearest Army workshop. It is not practicable to establish CC.RR workshops on parallel lines to the Army.

APPENDIX.

1. It is understood, but not yet officially confirmed that the policy regarding the armament of the Italian Army is as follows:-

The Italian Army, less CC.RR, to be supplied with British War-like equipment. The CC.RR to be re-equipped with the most modern Italian weapons, an adequate supply of which will be available when Italian arms can be withdrawn from the Army units.

2. The unsatisfactory position regarding the release to the War Ministry from C.E.N. Dumps in the north has been represented to G.H.Q. It is hoped that the present policy, which resulted in 2 first lot "freezing" Italian arms and ammunition will be changed, and that the War Ministry will gain control of all Italian arms and ammunition wherever located.

Every endeavour is being made to secure the release of sufficient British arms to enable C.A.S.'s. to be completed in this respect by 15 March 46.

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ACCOMMODATION.

1. Generally speaking, the Allies have now released all military burroughs urgently required by the Italian Army, and the needs of C.A.R's. are provided for.
2. In the special proforma reporting the state of readiness of C.A.R's, mention is made of "bases" of equipment, accommodation, clothing, etc. B.L.U's. will press the local Territorial Command to obtain copies of these scales which the War Ministry say have been issued.

SUPPLIES.

1. The food situation of the Italian Army is precarious and has been met during recent months only by loans from Allied depots. The Italian Government is being pressed to guarantee the repayment of these loans and the future food supply of the Army. Meanwhile, considerable diversion from the authorized ration scale is to be anticipated. In general discussion on welfare and morale, it was emphasized that the low rate of pay might be accepted without loss of morale if some form of food in kind could be made to soldiers' dependents.

2. It was suggested that "the food resources officer" was obtaining food supplies at lower rates than the representative of the Commissioner. B.L.U's. were invited to submit details of any suggested disparities.

CLOTHING.

1. The clothing situation generally is not unsatisfactory. The Army clothing and boot factories are in operation, and given due economy, the Army, including the C.A.R., should be adequately maintained in this respect during the present year. A new uniform in the British khaki dress style is being designed, and may be available in the spring of 1947.
2. The boot situation does not merit the issue of more than one pair

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2. It was suggested that "Fido - local resources of Chicago" was obtaining food supplies at low prices from the representatives of the Commissioner. D.I.'s were instructed to obtain details of any suggested discrepancies.

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MINUTES OF MMIA CONFERENCEHeld at HQ MMIA, ROME 28-29 Jan 1946CC.RR. Points

Insufficient time was available for a general discussion on Carabinieri, but the following points raised by BLUs were interesting and of considerable value to CC.RR. Section.

1. 10 BLU. CC.RR. Regional Police or part of the Army?

CS I CC.RR. stated that CC.RR. were part of the Army and would continue to be part.

2. 10 BLU. Requested directive on CC.RR. with special reference to training.

CS I CC.RR. said that a training directive will be included in the Italian Army Training Manual.

3. 6 BLU asked for adjustments to be made in CC.RR. strength to create reserves

CS I CC.RR. said question was at present being examined.

4. CC.RR. lack of telephones

CS I CC.RR. said that information was being asked for regarding communications.

5. Advisability of supplying tear gas or smoke bombs to CC.RR.

It was agreed that this would be useful for defence of barracks, and provision would be made accordingly.

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7. Special requirements of the CC.RR. organisation and equipment in the Appennines.

GS I CC.RR. said the provision of special equipment and transport for certain localities is necessary and it was hoped to be able to supply it.

8. Military Field Telephones for CC.RR.

Special Officer stated that Italian Units are insufficient to be able to install and maintain. Wireless is recommended and under consideration.

9. Mobile Battalions. Future use and dispersal of strength

GS I CC.RR. said that no static dispersal would be permitted. Battalions

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CONFIDENTIAL.

SUBJECT: War Establishment.

12 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

for the

ITALIAN GENERAL MILITARY SCHOOLS.
(Tel: ROMA 66349)

Ref: AG/GB/986.

7 Feb. 46

To: Brig. M.W. Hope, D.S.O.

H.Q.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG (MIA).

1. As a result of your recent visit to the Italian Artillery School, BRACCIANO, it was understood that you required some further information concerning indents for 17-pdr. barrels and matters relating to the repair services (Artillery Equipment and optical instruments) for the Italian Army.

2. Enclosed herewith is copy letter from D.A.D.O.S. to H.Q. showing the present position with regard to the indents for three 17-pdr. barrels indented for on 17 Nov. 45. To date the firing platform and accessories have been received (Indents 8 and 9) but not the barrels (Indent No. 10).

3. The present position with regard to the servicing and inspection of optical instruments is still obscure and is becoming increasingly difficult. At the present time there appears to be no adequate training of specialists in optical instruments etc., and there is no Italian service available for checking or repairing British optical instruments.

4. It would be very much appreciated if the above points could be investigated on your visit to CASERTA with a view to:

- (a) hastening the indents in respect of the 17-pdr. barrels.
- (b) the possibilities of a definite policy being laid down with regard to obtaining a War Establishment for the future services for the inspection and repair of Artillery equipments and optical instruments in the Italian Army.

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5. Necessary arrangements have been made for a small number of

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5. Temporary arrangements have been made for a small number of Italian gun fitters to be trained at the E. & M. School in Armament Artificer duties but this will in no way cover the full requirements of the Italian Army.

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Colonel
Comd. 12 British Liaison Unit for the
Italian Central Military Schools

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG, (MIA)WAR ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE9th Meeting held on Thursday 28th June 45

Present :

Lt Col H.A.C. HOWARD
Col W. FIDDELY
Lt Col R.A. CURTIS
Major J.L.N. CHENE

Acting Chairman
'A' Branch
'Q' Branch
C(SD)

ADDITION TO MINUTESAddition to minutes of meeting No 7

Serial
No

Category

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2-ER-ITI

VEHICLE REPAIR WORKSHOP FOR RTC, ICE

AFHQ have approved the above new establishment.
(AFHQ WEC 21, serial 2573)

File : 85/45/2

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3-ER-ITI

A PIGEON SECTION

AFHQ have approved the above establishment.
Implementation will be the subject of a separate letter.

(AFHQ WEC 213)
File : X 157/1

MINUTES

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3-ER-ITI

ITALIAN INCIDENT TO CSO 2 DISTRICT

The Committee agreed that a letter should be written to AFHQ requesting that the necessity for this unit should be further considered, in view of the policy for the reduction of ER-ITI units and the difficulty of making so small a unit self-sufficient in accordance with AFHQ policy for

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War
Establishment

CM/891/1

CM/892/1

32 3-ER-ITL

File : 32/45/2

A PICTON SECTION

CM/892/1

AFHQ have approved the above establishment. Implementation will be the subject of a separate letter.

(AFHQ WEC 213)

File : 3 157/1

MINUTES

33 3-ER-ITL

ITALIAN INCIDENT TO CSO 2 DISTRICT

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File : 32/36/2

40 3-ER-ITL
Service
TroopsHQ AM ENGINEER BATTALION

CM/881/1

This est was approved w.e.f. 23 June subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 4 offrs, 11 ORs and Tpt.

The Committee decided that an allocation of two cars, 2 str 4 x 2 was excessive for the number of officers in the unit. One car 2 str 4 x 2 was therefore deleted.

Concurrences: HQ 1 District and AFHQ (vide AFHQ letter AC 091.711/157 of 24 June) in principle.

FILE : 32/44/1

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Serial
No

44 3-ER-III
Service
Troops

IRAQIAN INTELLIGENCE LIAISON UNIT
(CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN)

War
Establishment

01/782/1

The following amendment was approved w.o.f.
28 June 45 subject to concurrence of AFHQ.

Under HQ Staff

delete Clerical Staff	(sgts)	-	1
	(Cpls)	-	3
	(1/Cpla)	-	3
	Orderlies (Ptes)	-	4

Under Interrogation Staff

delete Interrogators	(1st Coln)	-	1
	(Majors)	-	5
	(Capts)	-	34
	(Lieuts)	-	41
	(2nd Lieuts)	-	54
	(WO I)	-	2
	(WO II)	-	4
	(S/Sjts)	-	2
	(Sjts)	-	4
	(Cpls)	-	2
	(14/Cpls)	-	4
	(Ptes)	-	170

Batmen

Will be promulgated as amdt No 1 on receipt of
AFHQ concurrence.

Concurrences: AFHQ in principle vide AG 091.711
File SD/18/2 CBI - O of 18 June 45.

01/533/1

42 2-ER-III
Combat
Troops

TRANSPORT LIAISON FOR AN ITALIAN
COMBAT GROUP

The following amendment was approved w.o.f.
28 June 45 subject to AFHQ concurrence.

add "Note: When a truck 15 cwt 4 x 2 Water is
issued in lieu of Trailer 1 ton, 2 wheeled,
one driver i/o will be

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(Lieuts)	-	44
(2nd Lieuts)	-	54
(WO I)	-	2
(WO II)	-	4
(S/Sjts)	-	2
(Sjts)	-	4
(Cpls)	-	2
(L/Cpls)	-	4
(Ptes)	-	170

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Will be promulgated as enet No 1 on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.

Concurrences: AFHQ in principle vide AG 091.711
File SD/48/2 CDI - 0 of 18 June 45.

CM/533/1

42. 2-BR-ITH
Combat
Troops

TRANSPORT PLATOON FOR AN ITALIAN
COMBAT GROUP

The following amendment was approved w.e.f.
26 June 45 subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Add "Note: When a truck 15 cwt 4 x 2 Water is
issued in lieu of Trailer 1 ton, 2 wheeled,
Water 100 galls, one driver i/c will be
added"

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Will be promulgated as amendment No 2 on receipt
of AFHQ concurrence.

File : SD/6/2

CM/531/1

43. 2-BR-ITH
Combat
Troops

IN TRANSPORT & SUPPLY COMPANY FOR AN
ITALIAN COMBAT GROUP

The following amendment was approved w.e.f.
26 June 45 subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Add "Note: When a truck 15 cwt 4 x 2 Water is
issued in lieu of Trailer 15 cwt, 2 wheeled,
Water 100 galls, one driver i/c will be
added."

File : SD/6/2

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Serial Category
Number

44 2-ER-ICE

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS PLATOON FOR AN
ITALIAN COMBAT GROUP

War
Establishment

CV/539/1

The following amendment was approved W.C.F.
28 June 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Add "Note: When a Truck 15 cwt, 4 x 2 Water,
is issued in lieu of a Trailer 15 cwt,
2 wheeled, Water 180 galls, one
driver i/c will be added".

Will be promulgated as memorandum No 2 on receipt
of AFHQ concurrence.

File : SD/6/2

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A SPECIAL TERRITORIAL ARM TRANSPORT COMPANY

173/SHRE/1

This establishment was approved W.C.F. 26 June 45.
It consists of 110 all ranks and transport.

File : SE/6/2

New war establishments will not be implemented without
authority of AFHQ if in categories 2 and 3 (ER-ITI) or
of Land Forces Sub Commission, AC (MELI), if in categories
1, 4, 5, and 7 (ITI-ITI).

SD June 45

Thompson
Lt Col
CS - 2272

DISTRIBUTION
AFHQ (three)
CG 15 Army Group

INTERNAL
Chief of Staff
CS (1)
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45 1(c) -
III-III

File : SD/6/2

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173/SIRE/1

This establishment was approved M.S.C. 28 June 45.
It consists of 110 all ranks and transport.

File : SD/6/2

New war establishments will not be implemented without authority of AFHQ if in categories 2 and 3 (BR-III) or of Land Forces Sub Commission, AG (IMIA), if in categories 1, 4, 5, and 7 (III-III).

20 June 45

DISTRIBUTION

AFHQ (three)
CG 15 Army Group
Eighth Army
1 District
2 District
3 District
RAAC
IMIA 10 Eighth Army
" " 1 District
" " 3 District
" " NAPLES
" " 54 Area
" " SICILY
" " SARDINIA
" " GENOA
" " TURIN
" " FLORENCE
" " Palermo
" " 234 km Liv
17 Br Liaison & Trg Unit
for RTO ICF
war industry (two)

INTERNAL
Chief of Staff
CS (I)
C (Trg)
"A"
"Q" (two)
Engrs
Sig
War Diary (two)
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SD/45/2
SD/36/2
SD/13/2
SD/6/2

T. M. Chapman
Lt Col
GS - 2277

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG. (LAFSA)WAR ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE14th meeting held on Friday 10 August 45

Present:	Lt Col	S.M.	INCIDENT	Chairman
	Col	W.	PIDSLAY	'A' Branch
	Col	E.J.	NOAKES	'Q' Branch
	Capt	R.W.	CHEEROW	'G' Branch
	Maj	J.L.W.	CHEATE	'G' (SD)

MINUTES

Serial
No.

Category

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BR-ITI
Service Tps

AN ITALIAN ADM REGT HQ

War
Establishment

CM/806/1

The above new est was approved
subject to ALHQ concurrence w.e.f.
10 Aug 45.

It consists of 7 Offrs 27 ORs and
tpst.

Concurrence: 3 District

File : SD/35/2

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BR-ITI

ITALIAN INCIDENT TO HQ 2 DISTRICT

CM/825/2

The above new supplementing est was approved
subject to ALHQ concurrence w.e.f.
10 Aug 45.

It consists of 1 Oftr and 64 ORs.
It was considered that for a self-
sufficient unit the est was lacking
in NCO s. One NCO (Sgt) was added
and a note also added stating that of the
tpes two could be cpls.

It was further considered that the note
"may be civilians" should be made applicable
to all personnel on the est with the exception
of the Asst Camp Commandant and the Adm NCO.

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subject to ADMIN concurrence w.e.f.
10 Aug 45.

It consists of 7 Orfn 27 ORn and
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Concurrence: 3 District

File : 3D/35/2

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ITALIAN MOVEMENT TO HQ 2 DISTRICT

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The above new supplement est was approved
subject to AFHQ concurrence w.e.f.
10 Aug 45.

It consists of 1 Cfr and 64 Opa.

It was considered that for a self-sufficient unit the est was lacking in NCO's. One NCO (3gt) was added and a note also added stating that of abtes two could be cpls.

It was further considered that the note "may be civilians" should be made applicable to all personnel on the est with the exception of the Asst Camp Commandant and the Adm NCO.

File : SD/36/2

95 ER-III
Ex Cooperator

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO R.A.C. F.D.

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The above new est was approved W.C.F.
10 Aug 45 subject to WMQ concurrence.

It consists of 2 Offers and 212 QRS.

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96	III-III	543/SIRE/1

INTELLIGENCE CENSORSHIP UNIT

The following amdt ~~was~~ approved
w.o.f. 10 Aug 45.

delete 40 Offrs and 45 ORs

will be promulgated as amdt No. 1

File : SD/18/2

New war establishments will NOT be implemented without the authority of ACHQ if in BR-III category or of Land Forces Sub Commission AC., MLA, if in III-III category.

D. W. Chapman

Secretary,
War Establishments Committee.

12 Aug 45

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DISTRIBUTION
33W (three)
15 Corps

INTERNAL
Chief of Staff

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New war establishments will NOT be implemented without the authority of ARHQ if in EN-III category or of Land Forces Sub Commission AC., ROMA, if in III-III category.

12 Aug 45

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DISTRIBUTION

ARHQ (three)

13 Corps

1 District

2 District

3 District

RAAC

Executive Commissioner AC

ROMA LO 13 Corps

" " 1 District

" " 3 District

" " NAPLES c/o Pensouth

" " SICILY

" " SARDINIA

" " 54 Area

" " FLORENCE City Command

" " 151 Sub Area

" " 230 Adm Div HQ

" " 231 Adm Div HQ

Ministry of War

" " BL & TU for the RAC ICP (2)

ROMA LO NW ITALY MILAN

D. W. Hayes

Secretary,
War Establishments Committee.

INTERNAL

Chief of Staff

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Q (three)

War Diary (two)

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SD/36/2

SD/30/2

SD/18/2

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG, (MILIA)WAR ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE

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13th Meeting held on Thursday 3rd August 45

Present :	Lt Col	S.M.	INCHBURN	Chairman
	Col	T.J.	MOAKES	'Q' Branch
	Maj	J.A.	DOBBS	'A' Branch
	Capt	E.W.	CHESSLOW	'G' Branch
	Maj	S.L.V.	CHEMONE	'G'(BD)

ADDITION TO MINUTESAddition to minutes of meeting No 8 and 9

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34	BR-ITI Combat
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ITALIAN INCUBATOR TO BR LIAISON AND
TRAINING UNIT FOR R.E.C., I.C.F.

ATTN have approved the above war est.

File : SD/45/2

40	BR-ITI Service
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HQ AN ENGR BN

ATTN have approved the above war est.

(ATTN W.E.C. 219 Serial 2/44)

File : SD/4/2

Addition to minutes of meeting No 10ATTN have approved the following new war ests
as stated below, w.e.f. 23 Jul 45.

63	BR-ITI Pr-Operator
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AN ITALIAN WORKSHOP COMPANY

CM/1515/1

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War	Establishment
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BR-ITI
Combat

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ATHQ have approved the above war est.

File : SD/45/2

40 BR-ITI
Service

CM/881/1

HQ AN INGR IN

ATHQ have approved the above war est.

(ATHQ W.E.C. 219 Serial 2/44)

File : SD/4/2

Addition to minutes of meeting No 10

ATHQ have approved the following new war ests as stated below, w.e.f. 23 Jul 45.

63 BR-ITI
Ex-Coordinator

AN ITALIAN WORKSHOP COMPANY

CM/1515/1

59 "

AN ITALIAN PROVOST COMPANY

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CM/408/1

64 "

AN ITALIAN INGR TO A FIRE FIGHTING COY

CM/1515/1

The provision of a scale of tpt in respect of the above ests was approved with no restrictions as regards implementation.

45 "

AN ITALIAN ARTISAN WORKS COMPANY

CM/1500/1

47 "

AN ITALIAN INGR TO AN INGR WORKSHOP SECTION

CM/1501/1

USA	1
UK	1
France	1
Italy	1
Germany	1
Japan	1
USSR	1
China	1
India	1
Other	1
Total	10

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<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>For Establishment</u>
48	Ex Coop-erater	CM/1502/1
		<u>AN ITALIAN ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SECTION</u>
		The provision of Br vans and motor cycles was approved in respect of the above three units providing that they are not att to a Br Cadre.
67	"	CM/347/2
		<u>ITALIAN INCREMENT TO GENERAL HOSPITALS</u>
50	"	CM/1503/1
		<u>ITALIAN GENERAL STORES COMPANY</u>
49	"	CM/1504/1
		<u>AN ITALIAN REUNITED STORES COMPANY</u>
53	"	CM/1507/1
		<u>AN ITALIAN M.T. STORES COMPANY</u>
54	"	CM/1508/1
		<u>AN ITALIAN AMMUNITION COMPANY (ORD)</u>
57	"	CM/1511/1
		<u>AN ITALIAN MECHANICAL STORES COMPANY</u>
		It was decided by AMHQ that only Italian tpt should be implemented in respect of the above six ests and then only when the unit was not att to a Br Cadre.
		Notes were added to the WEs accordingly.
		(AMHQ W.E.C. 221 Serial 2478 refers)
		File : SD/131
		<u>MINUTES</u>
89	BR-III Service	CM/604/1
		<u>POOL OF ITALIAN LIAISON OFFICERS</u>
		This new est was approved w.e.f. 2nd Aug 45. It consists of 110 Offrs.
		It was agreed to add a note saying that up to 50% could be NCO's.
		As NCO interpreters were hard to find it was more desirable to incl only Offrs in the WE itself however.
		Concurrences: 2 and 3 Dicts in principle.

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Notes were added to the WMs accordingly.
(AMHQ W.B.C. 224 Serial 2478 refers)

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MINUTES

BR-III
Service

POOL OF ITALIAN LIAISON OFFICERS

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This new est was approved w.e.f. 2nd Aug 45.
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Concurrences: 2 and 3 Dists in principle.

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BR-III
Service tps

AN ITALIAN REORGANISATION CENTRE

CM/885/1

The proposed strength of this est was considered too high.

It was, therefore, decided to reduce the est to 77 Offrs and 293 ORs and an est of this size was approved w.e.f. 2nd Aug 45.

File : SD/39/2

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Serial No. Category War Establishment

940 BR-ITI Ex
Cooperator

AM ITALIAN PORT MAINTENANCE SECTION

CM/206/2

The above est was approved w.e.f. 2 Aug 45.

It consists of 1 Oftr and 60 ORs and tot. It is an exact rewrite of CM/206/1 which it supercedes except that the Br personnel will be replaced by Italian personnel.

Concurrence: In ADMN

File : RE/14/1

92 ITI-ITI
Italian Op Comd

ITALIAN BASE PORT OFFICE

302/SMBB/1

The above est was approved w.e.f. 2nd Aug 45.

It consists of Post offices as below:-

Type A	25 Oftrs	18 ORs
Type B	10 Oftrs	20 ORs
Type C	4 Oftrs	5 ORs

(deferred from W.B.C. 11 Serial 27)

File : SU/52/2

New war establishments will not be approved without the authority of ADMN if in BR-ITI category or of Land Forces Sub Commission AC., if in ITI-ITI category.

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It consists of Post offices as below:-

Type A	25 Offrs	18 ORs
Type B	10 Offrs	20 ORs
Type C	4 Offrs	5 ORs

(deferred from W.E.C. 11 Serial 27)

File : SE/52/2

New war establishments will not be approved without the authority of AHC if in BR-III category or of Land Forces Sub Commission AC., MAF, if in III-III category.

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Th. V. Chetty
Secretary,
War Establishments Committee.

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AFHQ (three)

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1 DISTRICT

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3 DISTRICT

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EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER A.C.

MMA LO 13 COPTS

MMA LO 1 DISTRICT

MMA LO 3 DISTRICT

MMA LO NAPLES c/o PENNSOUTH

MMA LO SICILY

MMA LO SARDINIA

MMA LO 54 AREA

MMA LO FLORENCE CITY COMMAND

MMA LO 151 SUB AREA

MMA LO 230 ADM DIV HQ

MMA LO 231 ADM DIV HQ

MINISTRY OF WAR

MMA LO 3L & TU for the KTC., ICA.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG (ADTA)WAR ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE

8th Meeting held on Thursday 14 June 45

Present :

Lt Col S.M. INGLEDEN
 Col F.J. NOAKES
 Maj R.E. PERKLEY
 Maj S.D. ARCHER
 Maj J.L.W. CHENE

Chairman
 Q' Branch
 G' Branch
 A' Branch
 G(AD)

Serial
Number

Category

ADDITIONS TO MINUTES

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 4War
Establishment

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Cat 2 -

BR-ITI

Combat Tps

AN ITALIAN FIELD SURGICAL UNIT

CM/575/1

The proposed andt No 2 has been approved by AFHQ
 and will be promulgated accordingly (AFHQ REG 211)

File SD/12/2

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 6

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Cat 3 -

BR-ITI

Service Tps

AN ITALIAN GRAVES CONCENTRATION PLATOON

CM/890/1

This est has been approved by AFHQ and will be
 issued accordingly (AFHQ REG 210/2357 refers)

File SD/27/2

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 7

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Cat 3 -

BR-ITI

Service Tps

A PIGEON SECTION

CM/892/1

Category of this unit is Category 3 BR-ITI -
 Service Troops, as now notified.

MINUTES

Combat Tps

The proposed amdt No 2 has been approved by AFHQ and will be promulgated accordingly (AFHQ WEC 211)

File SD/12/2

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 6

22 Cat 3 -

BR-ITI

Service Tps

AN ITALIAN GRAVES CONCENTRATION PLATOON

CM/890/1

This est has been approved by AFHQ and will be issued accordingly (AFHQ WEC 210/2357 refers)

File SD/27/2

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 7

32 Cat 3 -

BR-ITI

Service Tps

A PIGEON SECTION

CM/892/1

Category of this unit is Category 3 BR-ITI - Service Troops, as now notified.

MINUTES

33 Co-ordinator

AN ITALIAN ORDNANCE AMMUNITION COMPANY

CM/202/1

As this unit will shortly be transferred to BR-ITI Category from present status the proposed amdt was considered.

The following amdt was approved :-

<u>delete</u>	S/Sgt	-	1
	Sgts	-	3
	Cpls	-	3

Substitute

Sgts	-	1
Cpls	-	5

Will be included in new Italian Army est to be promulgated later.

Concurrences

Ord AFHQ

File SD/15/2

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<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>War Establishment</u>
34	Cat 2 - ER-ITI Combat Tps	CW/389/1
		<u>ITALIAN INCR TO BR LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT</u> <u>FOR RTC ICE</u>
		This est was <u>approved</u> w.e.f. 14 June 45 subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 2 offrs and 46 ORs.
35	Cat 1(C) - ITI-ITI	174/3MRE/1
		<u>WORKSHOPS HQ</u>
		This est was <u>approved</u> w.e.f. 14 June 45. It consists of 4 offrs, 7 ORs and is assigned to control civilian personnel.
		File SD/10/2
36	Cat 1(C) - ITI-ITI	179/3MRE/1
		<u>A MOBILE PARK</u>
		This est was <u>approved</u> w.e.f. 14 June 45. It consists of 9 offrs and 199 ORs and Tpt. File SD/10/2 (VEC 7/27 refers)
37	Cat 1(C) - ITI-ITI	178/3MRE/1
		<u>A RECOVERY SECTION</u>
		This est was <u>approved</u> w.e.f. 14 June 45. It consists of 2 offrs 32 ORs and Tpt. File SD/10/2 (VEC 7/28 refers)
38	Cat 1(C) - ITI-ITI	223/3MRE/1
		<u>MINISTRY OF WAR ELIS COMPANY</u>
		This est was <u>approved</u> w.e.f. 14 June 45. It consists of 3 offrs, 82 ORs and Tpt. File X/517/1

New war establishments will not be implemented without authority of AFHQ if in categories 2 & 3 (ER-ITI) or of Land Forces Sub Commission 4C (ITII) if in categories 1,4,5 & 7 (ITI-ITI)

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Cat 1(C) -
ITI-ITI

This est was approved w.e.f. 14 June 45.
It consists of 9 offrs and 199 ORs and Tpt.

File SD/10/2 (REC 7/27 refers)

178/3412/1

37

Cat 1(C) -
ITI-ITI

This est was approved w.e.f. 14 June 45.
It consists of 2 offrs 32 ORs and Tpt.

File SD/10/2 (REC 7/28 refers)

223/3412/1

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Cat 1(C) -
ITI-ITIMINISTRY OF WAR ELS COMPANY

This est was approved w.e.f. 14 June 45.
It consists of 5 offrs, 82 ORs and Tpt.

File X/517/1

New war establishments will not be implemented without authority of AMHQ if in categories 2 & 3 (BR-ITI) or of Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MILA) if in categories 1,4,5 & 7 (ITI-ITI)

14 June 45DISTRIBUTION

AFHQ (Three)
CG 15 Army Group
Fifth Army (Br Incr)
Eighth Army
1 District
2 District
3 District
MILA 10 Fifth Army (Br Incr)
" " Eighth Army
" " 1 District
" " 3 District
" " MAPLES
" " 54 Area
" " 52 Area
" " SICILY
" " SARDINIA

MILA 10 NORTH WEST ITALY
Br Liaison & Trg Unit to
RTC IOP
Ministry of War (Two)

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Chief of Staff

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SD/105

Lt Col
GS

RESTRICTED




 AND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG (MRIA)

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE

7th Meeting held on Thursday 31 May 45.

Present : Lt Col
 Col
 Major
 Major
 Major

S.M. INGLETON
 F.J. NOAKES
 R.E. PINKLEY
 J.A. DOBBS
 J.L.W. CHEANE

Chairman
 'Q' Branch
 'G' Branch
 'A' Branch
 G(3D)

Serial Number

Category

ADDITIONS TO MINUTES

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 4

War

Establishments

16 3 - BR-III
Service Tps

ARMY VEHICLE DISPOSAL UNIT

CM/879/1

ARMQ have approved the above establishment.

14 3 - BR-III
Service Tps

AN ITALIAN OFFICER'S SHOP (Mobile)

CM/877/1

Cancellation of this establishment which has
 been approved by ARMQ less transport, is rescinded.
 The establishment will be issued so that Italian
 transport can be allotted if so desired.

File : SD/15/2

MINUTES

26 2 - SR-III

VEHICLE REPAIR WORKSHOP FOR RTC ICF

CM/891/1

The above establishment was approved subject
 to ARMQ concurrence w.e.f. 31 May. It consists

ATHQ have approved the above establishment.

Addition to minutes of Meeting No 6

14 3 - BR-ITI
Service Tps

AN ITALIAN OFFICER'S SHOP (Mobile)

CM/877/1

Cancellation of this establishment which has been approved by ATHQ less transport, is rescinded. The establishment will be issued so that Italian transport can be allotted if so desired.

File : SD/45/2

MINUTES

26 2 - BR-ITI

VEHICLE REPAIR WORKSHOP FOR RTC ICF

CM/891/1

The above establishment was approved subject to ATHQ concurrence w.e.f. 31 May. It consists of 3 offrs, 96 OAs and transport.

File : SD/45/2

27 1(C)- ITI-ITI

A MOBILE PARK

CM/891/1

The proposal for a superseding establishment was deferred.

28 1(C) -ITI-ITI

A RECOVERY SECTION

173/SMRE/1

The proposal for a superseding establishment was deferred.

29 1(C)-ITI-ITI

A REPAIRS UNIT(Higher establishment)

190/SMRE/1

This establishment was approved w.e.f. 31 May. It consists of 10 offrs and 190 ORs.

30 1(C)-ITI-ITI

A REPAIRS UNIT(Lower Establishment)

177/SMRE/1

This establishment was approved w.e.f. 31 May. It consists of 8 offrs and 92 ORs.

File : SD/40/2

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Serial number	Category	War Establishment
31	5(C) ITI-ITI	608 C.B. BN CW/512/1

The proposed increase of 380 all ranks was not approved as it was considered undesirable to increase IAI establishments now that hostilities have ceased. Further the requisite ceiling was not available.

As this is an ITI-ITI unit it was agreed to rewrite this establishment as 546/ ME/1 W.E.F. 31 May. CW/512/1 will therefore be cancelled.

AFHQ letter AG 091.711/051 GCT-0 of 17 May refers.

File : 85/18/2

32 5- -ITI
Service Tps

A PIGEON SECTION

CW/092/1

This establishment was approved, subject to AFHQ concurrence, W.E.F. 31 May. It consists of 19 ONS.

The proposal to include transport was not approved as it was not considered that the section would be required to move frequently enough to warrant the inclusion of permanent transport. 1 driver i/c was deleted accordingly.

HM approval in principle has been received. AG 091.711/167 GCT-0 of 25 April refers.

File : 85/34/1

New war establishments will not be implemented without authority of AFHQ if in categories 2 and 3 (AR-ITI) or of Land Forces Sub Commission AG (XMA), if in categories 1, 4, 5, and 7 (ITI-ITI).

J. M. Chapman
Lt Col
G3

4 June 45

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19 GRS.

The proposal to include transport was not approved as it was not considered that the section would be required to move frequently enough to warrant the inclusion of permanent transport.

1 driver i/c was deleted accordingly.

Approval in principle has been received.
AG/C91.711/137 GCT-0 of 25 April refers.

File : SD/94/1

New war establishments will not be implemented without authority of AFHQ if in categories 2 and 3 (PR-III) or of Land Forces Sub Commission A3 (MHA), if in categories 1, 4, 5, and 7 (III-III).

The Chief
for Lt Col
GS

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4 June 45

DISTRIBUTION

AFHQ (3)
EC 15 Army Group
5 Army (Br Inor)
Eighth Army
1 District
2 District
3 District
MHA LO 5 Army (Br Inor)
" " 8 Army
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AFHQ Liaison Officer to
FAI (RAC).
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Ministry of War (2)

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RESTRICTEDLAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, AC (MILA)VAB ESTABLISHMENT'S COMMITTEE

5th Meeting held on 2nd May 1945.

Present : Lt Col S.M. INGLETON
 Col F.L. SIMONS (US Army)
 Major R.E. PERKINS (US Army)
 Major J.A. DOBBS
 Major L.V. CHURCH

Chairman
 "Q" Branch
 "G" Branch
 "A" Branch
 C(ED)

ADDITIONS TO MILES

War
Establishment

CM/674/1

Serial
 Number

2 - BR-INT
 Combat Type

COM TRAINING TEAM FOR THE ITALIAN COMBAT
 FORCE (ITALIAN ARMY)

This establishment has been approved by L282
 with a deletion of the Lorry 3 ton L x 2 GS - 1.
 This establishment will be issued with the above
 alteration. Implementation will be subject of a
 separate letter.

REQUIREMENTS

18 2 -
 Combat Type

REQUIREMENTS FOR REINFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTRE
 ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

The proposal for a new establishment to combine
 152 Mech Bngr 11, 152 & 153 LAD was postponed for
 one month until the future of R2C, ICF has been
 clearly defined. In addition "2" Branch stated that
 the personnel were not available.

File : 55/15/2

19 INT-INT
 Category 1 (C)

GENERAL REQUISITIONING OFFICE

205/SURE/1

The following unit was approved v.e.f. 2 May:-

Add 96 officers
 Delete 30 other ranks

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Combat TheMINUTESWORKING FOR REINFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTRE
ARMED DOMESTIC FORCE

The proposal for a new establishment to combine 152 Tech Engr Pl, 152 & 153 LAD was postponed for one month until the future of HQS, IGT has been clearly defined. In addition "A" Branch stated that the personnel were not available.

File : 3D/15/2

205/BNVE/1

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IMI-IMI
Category 1 (C)CENTRAL REQUISITIONING OFFICE

The following unit was approved w.e.f. 2 May:-

Add 96 officersDelet 30 other ranks

File : 3D/24/1

5 May 1945

DISTRIBUTION

ADHQ (2)
CG 15 Army Group
Fifth Army (Br Iner)
Eighth Army
1 District
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MIA 10 Fifth Army (Br Iner)
MIA 10 Eighth Army
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Ministry of War (2)

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Lt Col
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This establishment will be issued with the above alteration. Implementation will be subject of a separate letter.

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SUBJECT : MMIA WEC Minutes

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC (MMIA)

SD/103

5 May 45TO : 'F' BLU

Reference your AQ/6B1/466 of 1 May.

Attached are copies of MMIA WEC Minutes of meetings 1-4.

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Major General
MMIA

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LAND FORCE HQ SUB COMMISSION AG (MHA)

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE

1st Meeting held on 12 April, 1945

Present :	Lt Col	S. H. ENGLISH	Chairman
	Colonel	F. J. NOAKES	'Q' Branch
	Major	R. L. PINKNEY (US Army)	'G' Branch
	Major	S. A. DORRIS	'A' Branch
	Major	J. L. W. CHITNE	G(ED)

Serial
Number

Category

War

Establishment1. ER-III
Service Ins.(GAS TRAINING TEAM
FOR THE ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE (Italian Army))

(CM/874/1)

It was agreed to approve this establishment w.e.f. 12 April 1945 subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 Officer, 3 ORs and one Lorry 3 ton 4 x 2 GS. The proposal was considered at the request of DMT, AFHQ. DMT letter DMT/88/13/MAY refers.

The Team is designed to assist Combat Groups in Anti-Gas Warfare and will also organise instructor courses for junior leaders at the Reinforcement Training Centre to the Italian Combat Force.

The Lorry 3 ton 4 x 2 GS is required for the carriage of stores, equipment and personnel during visits of the Team to individual units of the Combat Groups. It was considered that this vehicle was essential in order that the Team should be suitably mobile.

The inclusion of this unit in Category 3, ER-III (Service Troops) has been agreed in principle by AFHQ.

File : SD/39/2

W.C.F. 12 April 1949. This establishment was approved W.C.F. 12 April. It consists of 3 Officers, 29 ORs and 9 railway coaches.

The Team is designed to assist Combat Groups in Anti-Gas Warfare and will also organise instructor courses for junior leaders at the Reinforcement Training Centre to the Italian Combat Force.

The Lorry 3 ton 4 x 2 GS is required for the carriage of stores, equipment and personnel during visits of the Team to individual units of the Combat Groups. It was considered that this vehicle was essential in order that the Team should be suitably mobile.

The inclusion of this unit in Category 3, PR-III (Service Troops) has been agreed in principle by AMHQ.

File : SD/39/2

2. ITI-III
Cat 1(C)

AN ITALIAN HOSPITAL, TRAIN

This establishment was approved W.C.F. 12 April. It consists of 3 Officers, 29 ORs and 9 railway coaches.

File : SD/12/2

3. ITI-III
Cat 5(C)

POOL OF AN ITALIAN MILITARY PRESS OFFICERS

This establishment was approved W.C.F. 12 April. This consists of 45 Officers and 15 ORs.

File : SD/13/2

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Serial
NumberWar
Establishment4. ITI-III
Cat 5(C)

AN INDUSTRIAL DETECTION SECTION IAI

(545/SRE/1)

This establishment was approved W.C.F. 12 April. It consists of 20 officers and 21 ORs.

File : SD/12/3

New war establishments will not be implemented without authority of ARHQ if in categories 2 or 3 (BR-III), or of Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MIA) if in categories 1, 4 and 5 (ITI-III).

12 April 45

W. Chavira
Lt Col
G.S.

DISTRIBUTION

ARHQ (10)
CG 15 Army Group
2 District
MIA LO Fifth Army (Ar Iner)
MIA LO Eighth Army
MIA LO 1 District
MIA LO 3 District
MIA LO NAPLES
MIA LO BARI (54 Area)
MIA LO SICILY
MIA LO SARDINIA
F. BLU

Chief of Staff
G(Trg)
GSI

12 April 45

DISTRIBUTION

ALHQ (19)
CG 15 Army Group
2 District
MIA LO Fifth Army (Er Icor)
MIA LO Eighth Army
MIA LO 1 District
MIA LO 3 District
MIA LO NILES
MIA LO BARI (54 Area)
MIA LO SICILY
MIA LO SARDINIA
F. BLU

Chief of Staff
G(Trg)
GSI
A
Q

Medical

War Ministry (2)

War Diary (2)
File

Thompson
Lt Col
G.S.

RESTRICTED

LAND FORCES SUP COMMISSION AG (LMHA)

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE

2nd Meeting (emergency) held on 18 April, 45

Present :	Lt Col	S.M. EGGLETON	Chairman
	Colonel	F.J. NOAKES	'Q' Branch
	Major	J.A. DOBBS	'A' Branch
	Major	J.L.W. CHENE	G(SE)

<u>Serial</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Category</u>		<u>War</u> <u>Establishment</u>
5.	BR-ITI <u>Service Troops</u>	<u>LIGHT AID DETACHMENT FOR AN ITALIAN</u> <u>TRANSPORT COMPANY</u>	CM/875/1

This establishment was approved w.e.f. 18 April, 45 subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 17 ORs and 1 vehicle and is designed to carry out first line repairs for each of the 10 Transport Coys serving AG.

Concurrences - SF, 'Q' Maint, DME, AFHQ.

4-3 Org (For) have agreed to the increase in the BR-ITI ceiling.

File : SD/10/2

18 April 45.

DISTRIBUTION

AFHQ (2)
CG 15 Army Group
2 District
LMHA 10 Fifth Army (Br Incr)
LMHA 10 Eighth Army
LMHA 10 1 District
LMHA 10 3 District
LMHA 10 WATERS
LMHA 10 BARI (54 Area)
LMHA 10 SICILY
LMHA 10 SARDINIA
'P' BLM

CHIEF OF STAFF
(3)
GSI
A
2
Medical
War Ministry (2)
War Diary (2)
File

Lt Col
G.S.

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RESTRICTED

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG(SBIA)

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE

3rd Meeting held on 18 April, 1945

Present :	Lt Col	S.M. INGLETON	Chairman
	Col	P.J. NOAKES	'Q' Branch
	Major	J.A. DOBBS	'A' Branch
	Major	J.L.H. CHEYNE	G(SD)

Serial
Number

Cato/6032

War

Establishment

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3-ER-ITI
Service Tps

ITALIAN INCUMBENT FOR ITALIAN ARMY PACK
TRANSPORT TRAINING CENTRE (TOSCHERONE)
AS AN INCUMBENT TO PACK TRAINING IMPROV

CW/697/1

The proposal to add a Tpg increment of 8 officers and 53 ORs was deferred pending further investigation of the situation with regard to Italian pack reinforcements.

File : SM/30/2

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3-ER-ITI
Service Tps

ITALIAN BASE INFORMATION
DEPT

CW/730/1

This est was reviewed in accordance with instructions from AFHQ. It was decided that until 803 ASD at RAVENHURST had had time to settle down a full review of the est was not possible. It was decided therefore to review the est on June 7.

It was decided, however, that certain alterations to the est which have been found universally essential should be considered and the following audit was approved subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Under HQ

Delete Commandant (Lt Col)
Substitute Commandant (Col or Lt Col)

ITALIAN BASE INFORMATION
REPORT

This est was reviewed in accordance with instructions from AFHQ. It was decided that until SO3 BRD at FAYHAGHUA had had time to settle down a full review of the est was not possible. It was decided therefore to review the est on June 7.

It was decided, however, that certain alterations to the est which have been found universally essential should be considered and the following amendment was approved subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Under HQ

Delete Commandant (Lt Col)
Substitute Commandant (Col or Lt Col)

Under Bn HQ

Delete Officers Commanding (Majors or Capt)
Substitute Officers Commanding (Lt Cols or Majors)
Delete Clerk - 1
Add Medical ofrs - 1
Cook - 1
Ofrs Mess - 1
Mess Mess - 1
Waiters - 1
Ofrs Mess - 1

Under Coy HQ

Delete Officers Commanding (Capt or Lt) - 2263
Substitute Officers Commanding (Maj or Capt) - 1
Add Clerk - 1
Cook - 1

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Number

Category

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War
Establishment

Add new section - Escort Detachment

Det HQ

Commander (Capt)

Lieutenants

Serjeant Major

Clerk (Pte)

Storeman (Pte)

1
2
1
1
1

Three Sections (each)

Serjeants

Opns

Ptes

1
2
13

Amend effective date of ext to read 9 Dec 44.

It was decided that in view of the necessity to economise in PR-III personnel, maximum use must be made of vit personnel. It was considered, therefore, that the addition of 2 cooks and 2 clerks per Coy proposed by HQ 1 District was not justified, but that the addition of 1 clerk and 1 cook per Coy was essential. Further, as the strength in depots was always fluctuating the cooks and clerks of Coy which were not fully employed would be available as a Bn pool. One clerk was deleted from Bn HQ as it was considered that a proportion of the present Bn HQ clerical work could be decentralised to Coys.

The addition of one Medical officer per Bn and the Escort Det was agreed in principle by AMHQ cable F55755 of 2 April.

Will be promulgated as amdt No 1 on receipt of AMHQ concurrence.

File : SE/29/2

BRITISH CAME TO ITALIAN BASE PATRONSMENT DETACH

CM/730/1

It was decided to recommend to AMHQ the addition of 2 x 3 ton Lorries & x 2 33 for use of the Italian staff and depot maintenance of the Italian Base Re-inforcement Depot (CM/730/1).

Drivers will be added to CM/730/1 if the proposal is approved.

1 cook per company was essential. Further, as the strength in depots was always fluctuating the cooks and clerks of company which were not fully employed would be available as a BN pool. One clerk was deleted from BN HQ as it was considered that a proportion of the present BN HQ clerical work could be decentralized to company.

The addition of one official officer per BN and the report let was agreed in principle by AFHQ cable #53755 of 2 April.

Will be promulgated as amdt No 1 on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.

File : SD/29/2

CM/731/1

WATCH CAMP TO ITALIAN BASE REINFORCEMENT DEPOT

It was decided to recommend to AFHQ the addition of 2 x 3 ton Lorries 4 x 2 GS for use of the Italian staff and depot maintenance of the Italian Base Reinforcement Depot (CM/730/1)

Drivers will be added to CM/730/1 if the proposal is approved.

File : SL/29/2

9 3-PR-ITF
Service for

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO CSO 2 DISTRICT

This was a proposal to form an increment consisting of 1 officer and 3 OWS & Tit. It was considered that it was not desirable to form such small units & that this personnel should be added to Italian Increment to 2 District (CM/823/1). The proposal was therefore deferred.

File : SD/2/2

Product
Lt Col
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DISTRIBUTION

AFHQ (2)
CG 15 Army Group
1 District
2 District
3 District
MMTA LO Fifth Army (Br Inor)
" " Eighth Army
" " 1 District
" " 3 District
" " NAPLES
" " 54 Area 52 Area
" " SICILY
" " SARDENIA

Chief of Staff

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War Ministry (2)
War Diary (2)
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RESTRICTED

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C. (MMA)

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE

4th Meeting held on 26 April 1945.

Present:

Lt. Col. S. M. ENGLEBEN
 Lt. Col. R. A. CURTIS
 Maj. R. E. FINLAY (U.S. ARMY)
 Maj. J. A. DODS
 Maj. J. L. W. COTYNE

Chairman
 "Q" Branch
 "M" Branch
 "A" Branch
 C(SD)

ADDITIONS 10 MINUTES

War
Establishment

CM/875/1

Serial
Number

5

Category

3 - R-I-III
 Service Tps
Light Aid Detachment for
 an Italian Transport Coy

This new WE has been approved
 by ASHC, with the deletion of one
 truck to cut 4 x 2 G.S.

The Est will be issued in due
 course incorporating this audit.

CM/730/1

3 - R-I-III
 Service Tps

Italian Base Reinforcement Depot

The following audit to minutes
 of meeting No. 3 Serial 7 is notifi-
 ed.

Debate - Under Bk HQ

Cooks, Offrs mess - 1
 Waiters, Offrs mess - 1

Substitute - Under HQ Coy

Cooks, Offrs mess - 1

This new IE has been approved by AFHQ with the deletion of one truck 15 cwt 4 x 2 G.S.

The Est will be issued in due course incorporating this unit.

CM/730/1

Italian Base Reinforcement Depot

3 - BR-ITI
Service Tps

The following unit to minutes of meeting No. 3 Serial 7 is notified.

Deleta - Under Hq. HQ

Cooks, Offrs mess - 1
Waiters, Offrs mess - 1

Substitute - Under Hq. Coy

Cooks, Offrs mess - 1
Waiters, Offrs mess - 1

CM/731/1

British Cadre to Italian Base Reinforcement Depot

3 - BR-ITI
Service Tps

A previous recommendation to antedate this est to 2 Dec 44 has been included in the proposal to add 2 x lorries 3 ton 4 x 2 G.S. Submitted to AFHQ. (WBO 3/3 referre)

W I N T E R S

2261

CM/637/1

Italian Increment to Italian Army Pack Transport Training Centre (POSSOCHROME) as an increment to Base Training Depot

3 - BR-ITI
Service Tps

In view of AFHQ instruction that this W.E. should be reviewed it was

considered desirable that the whole staff including the Admin Staff and the Training Staff should be considered at one time.

It was felt that the role of the increment also required reviewing and that instructions in basic training were not required as basic training of GPs would be undertaken at BDA before they were posted to the centre.

The recommendation of this proposal was postponed pending completion of the comprehensive review, required by AFHQ.

(Minutes of WSC 3/6 Peter)

File: SD/30/2

2 - HQ-III
Combat Ops

An Italian Field Hospital

CM/574/1

The following audit was approved W.S.F. 26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Amend Title to read

"An Italian Evacuation Hospital
(200 beds)"

Add Medical Officer (1 to be a surgical specialist) - 2
Dets - 2
Nursing Orderlies - 5
General Duty Orderlies - 6
Nursing Sisters - 10

Concurrence: 5 Army, DAB, AFHQ

Will be promulgated on receipt of AFHQ concurrence as audit No. 2.

File: SD/30/2

CM/574/1

AN ITALIAN FIELD HOSPITAL

The following unit was approved
W.O.S. 25 April 45, subject to AFHQ
concurrence.

Amend Title to read

"An Italian Evacuation Hospital
(200 beds)."

Add

Medical Officers

(1 to be a surgical specialists) - 2

2576

Nursing Orderlies

General Duty Orderlies

Nursing Sisters

Concurrence: 5 Army, Hqs, AFHQ

Will be promulgated on receipt
of AFHQ concurrence as unit No. 2.

File: SD/12/2

3 - HQ-ITP
Service Pcs

AN ITALIAN FIELD SURGICAL UNIT

CM/575/1

The following unit was approved
W.O.S. 25 April 45, subject to AFHQ
concurrence:-

Add - Nursing Sisters

Concurrence: 6 Army, Hqs, AFHQ.

Will be promulgated on receipt
of AFHQ concurrence as unit No. 2.

File: SD/12/2

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13 3 - RR-III an Italian Officers' Shop (Static) CM/876/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.O.F.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 1 Officer and 4 ORs.

Concurrence: Ord and Q(AE) AFHQ

File: SD/15/2

14 3 - RR-III An Italian Officers' Shop (Mobile) CM/377/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.O.F.

26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 1 Oftr, 3 ORs and
Tpt.

Concurrence: Ord and Q(AE) AFHQ.

File: SD/15/2

15 3 - RR-III An Italian Engineer Park Coy CM/876/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.O.F.

26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 5 Oftrs and 126 ORs
2 Tpt and will be formed instead of an
Italian Engineer Coy. (CM/842/1 - strength
5 Oftrs and 234 ORs) now existing force-
station, thus providing a net saving of
105 ORs.

Concurrence: 5 Army Group, Eighth Branch, AFHQ.

File: SD/15/2

16 3 - RR-III An Army Vehicle Disposal Unit CM/878/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.O.F.

26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 4 Oftrs and 150 ORs.

File: SD/15/2

3 - HR-ITM
Service Tps

AN Italian Engineer Tank Coy

CM/878/1

This new Bat was approved W.O.F.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 5 Officers and 136 ORs
2 Tpt and will be formed instead of an
Italian Engineer Coy. (CM/849/1 - strength
5 Officers and 231 ORs) now training for
action, the providing a note listing of
105 ORs.

Concurrence: 15 Army Group, 100th Branch, AFHQ.

File: SD/4/2

3 - HR-ITM
Service Tps

an Army Vehicle Disposal Unit

CM/879/1

This new Bat was approved W.O.F.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 2 Officers and 150 ORs.
This unit is already in existence and it
has been found that the numbers allowed
for are the minimum necessary for its role,
particularly as the liberation of Northern
Italy is likely to increase the work of the
unit.

Concurrence: 8 Army
Salvage, AFHQ

A proposal for a Dr Cadre has been
submitted by 8 Army to AFHQ.

HQ CC RH Coy

CM/737/1

7 - ITM-ITM

47

The following unit was approved
W.O.F. 26 April 45, subject to AFHQ
concurrence.

2260

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Add - Captains - 5
Delete - General dutyman - 5

Captains are required as AFAs with each Combat Gp and will be attached from this W.R.. The deduction of the general dutyman is essential as an offset since the Carabinieri ceiling is full. AFAs will be used to replace the permanent general dutyman deleted.

It was agreed that this was only a temporary measure until a proposal for a CG PR HQ in each Combat Group HQ has been prepared by 6 Army but that as the personnel were urgently required and had been provided, immediate cover was necessary.

Will be promulgated as amdt No. 1 on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.

File: SD/41/2

New War Establishments will not be implemented without authority of AFHQ if in categories 2 or 3 (RA-III) or of Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (LAFS) if in categories 1, 4, 5 or 7 (LFI-III).

28 Apr 45

DISTRIBUTION: AFHQ (2)
 C.O. 2nd Army GP
 3 AFHQ (RA INCE)
 3 AFHQ

John H. Morgan
 Lt. Col.
 G. S.

Will be promulgated as amlt No. 1
on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.

File: SD/41/c

New War Establishments will not be implemented without authority
of AFHQ, if in categories 2 or 3 (H-I-III) or of Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C. (H-I-III) if in categories 1, 4, 5 or 7 (H-I-III).

23 Apr 45

DISTRIBUTION: AFHQ (2)

C.S. 15 ARMY GP

5 ARMY (H-I-III)

6 ARMY

1 DISTRICT

2 DISTRICT

3 DISTRICT

AMLA LO 5 ARMY (H-I-III)

AMLA LO 6 ARMY

AMLA LO 1 DISTRICT

AMLA LO 2 DISTRICT

AMLA LO 3 DISTRICT

AMLA LO 4 DISTRICT

AMLA LO 54 AREA

AMLA LO 55 AREA

AMLA LO 56 AREA

AMLA LO 57 AREA

AMLA LO 58 AREA

AFHQ

MINISTRY OF WAR (2)

INTERNAL: C of S.
G(SD)
G(Trg)

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ENGRS

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MED

ORD

WAR DEPT (2)

File: SD/102

WS

SUBJECT:- WEC Minutes

"F" BLU INTG ICF
Ref: AQ/601/466

1 May 1945

Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MELA)

Reference is made to War Establishments
Committee Meetings 1 - 3.

May this HQ please receive copies of these
minutes.

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Lieut-Col RA

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LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C. (LAFSA)

MAINTAINING RELATIONSHIP COMMITMENT

4th Meeting held on 25 April 1945.

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Lt. Col. S. R. INGLENEW
 Int. Col. R. A. CURTIS
 Maj. E. E. FINKLEY (U.S.)
 Maj. J. A. DOBBS
 Maj. J. L. W. CHENEY

Chairman
"C" Branch
"D" Branch
"A" Branch
"S.D."

ADDITIONS TO LITERATURE

Sum of Number

04193072

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Light and Detachment for
an Italian Transport Coy

This new WG has been approved by ARHQ, with the deletion of one truck to put 4 x 2 O.S.

The Est will be issued in due course incorporating this amt.

670 MC 3 - 120
Agave 183

Revilian Base Reinforcement Decot

The following apply to minutes of meeting, No. 3 Serial 7 is not included.

Delella - Lindt Co. Inc.

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Volume, Office hours	1	1
Volume, Office hours	1	1

Substrate – Under 100°C

Cooks, Office - 1

War Establishment

CW/E75/1

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SOUTH AFRICA

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considered desirable that the whole staff including the Admin Staff and the Training Staff should be considered at one time.

It was felt that the role of the increment also required reviewing and that instructions in basic training were not required as basic training of NTS would be undertaken at HHDs before they were posted to the centre.

The recommendation of this proposal was postponed pending completion of the comprehensive review, required by AFHQ.

(Minutes of WAC 3/5 refer)

File: SD/30/2

AN Italian Field Hospital

CA/574/1

2 - HQ-III
Combat Ops

The following draft was approved W.A.C. 18 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

Second Title to read

"An Italian Evacuation Hospital (250 beds)"

Add Medical Officers	- 2
(1 to cover surgical specialists)	- 2
Staff	- 5
Nursing Orderlies	- 5
General Duty Orderlies	- 5
Nursing Sisters	- 10

Concurrence: 5 Army, HQ, AFHQ

* Will be promulgated on receipt of AFHQ concurrence as para No. 2.

The following unit was approved
W.D.F. 26 April 48, subject to AFHQ
concurrency.

Approved Title to read

"An Italian Evacuation Hospital
(2000 beds)"

Add Medical Officer - 2
(1 to be a surgical specialist) - 2
Dets - 2
Nursing Orderlies - 5
General Duty Orderlies - 5
Nursing Assistants - 10

Concurrence: 5 Army, HMS, AFHQ

* Will be promulgated on receipt
of AFHQ concurrence as unit No. 2.

File: SD/12/2

CM/575/1

3 - HQ-ITV
Service Tps

An Italian Field Surgical Unit

The following unit was approved
W.D.F. 26 April 48, subject to AFHQ
concurrency:-

Add - Nursing Sisters - 4

Concurrence: 5 Army, HMS, AFHQ.

Will be promulgated on receipt
of AFHQ concurrence as unit No. 2.

File: SD/12/2

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13 3 - HR-III An Italian Officers' Shop (Stotile) CM/875/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.S.F.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 1 Officer and 4 ORs.

Concurrence: Ord and 2(AE) AFHQ

File: CD/15/2

14 3 - HR-III An Italian Officers' Shop (Mobile) CM/377/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.S.F.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 1 Oftr, 3 ORs and
Tpt.

Concurrence: Ord and 2(AE) AFHQ.

File: SD/15/2

15 3 - HR-III An Italian Engineer Party Coy CM/878/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.S.F.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 5 Oftrs and 122 ORs
2 Tpt and will be formed instead of an
Italian Engineer Coy. (CM/410/1 - strength
5 Oftrs and 241 ORs) now awaiting forma-
tion. This is a new type of unit of
105 ORs.

Concurrence: 5 Army Group, Major Branch, AFHQ.

File: SD/14/2

16 3 - HR-III An Army Vehicle Platoon Unit CM/879/1
Service Tps

This new Est was approved W.S.F.

15 CM/870/1

AN Italian Engineer Park Coy

3 - Ex-III
Service Tps

This new unit was approved w.s.f.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 5 Officers and 105 ORs
2 Tpt and will be formed instead of an
Italian Engineer Coy. (CM/815/1 - strength
3 Officers and 100 ORs) now pending for-
mation. This unit will be serving at
105 ORs.

Concurrence: 15 Army Group, Signal Branch, AFHQ.

File: NY 4/2

CM/872/1

AN Army Vehicle Disposal Unit

3 - Ex-III
Service Tps

This new unit was approved w.s.f.
26 April 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 2 Officers and 150 ORs.
This unit is already in existence and it
has been found that the numbers allowed
for are the minimum necessary for its role,
particularly in the liberation of Northern
Italy in likely to increase the work of the
unit.

Concurrence: 15 Army
Signal Branch, AFHQ

A proposal for a Br Cadre has been
submitted by 15 Army to AFHQ.

CM/737/1

H1 CC RR Coy

7 - III-III

The following was approved
w.s.f. 26 April 45, subject to AFHQ
concurrence.

2257

Add - Captains

- 5

Delete - General duty men

- 5

Captains are required as APAs with each Combat GP and will be attached from this W.E.. The deduction of the General duty men is essential as an offset since the Carabinier ceiling is full. APAs will be used to replace the permanent General duty men deleted.

It was agreed that this was only a temporary measure until a proposal for a CO HR HQ in each Combat Group HQ has been prepared by 8 Army but that as the personnel were urgently required and had been provided, immediate cover was necessary.

Will be promulgated as Unit No. 1 on receipt of AFM concurrence.

File: SD/41/2

New War Establishments will not be implemented without authority of AFHQ 41 in categories 2 or 3 (AT-LTR) or of Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (HMLA) in categories 1, 4, 5 or 7 (HFI-LTR).

28 APR 45

DISTRIBUTION: AFHQ (2)
C.S. 15 AFHQ GP
5 AFHQ (HQ INOC)
8 ARMY

Thompson
Lt. Col.
C.S.

File: 35/41/2

New War Establishments will not be implemented without authority of ARW if in categories 2 or 3 (Ex-III) or of Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (MIA) if in categories 1, 4, 5 or 7 (ITI-III).

23 apr 45

DISTRIBUTION: ARW (2)

C.S. 15 ARW OF

5 ARW (ARW DOR)

6 ARW

1 DISTRICT

3 DISTRICT

3 DISTRICT

MIA LO 5 ARW (ARW DOR)

MIA LO 5 ARW

MIA LO 1 DISTRICT

MIA LO 2 DISTRICT

MIA LO 3 DISTRICT

MIA LO 4 ARW

MIA LO 5 ARW

MIA LO 6 ARW

MIA LO SICILY

MIA LO SARDINIA

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