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TRG STORES + EQUIPMENT

MAR. - JUNE 1945

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Training of Nos 1 and 2 Tns, CRICCA, Temp.

THP MIL., INC., INC.

Ref: HPL/D.10/16

6 March 1945

Officer i/c Training, REG., INC. (For Col. i/c)

Copy to:

O.C., 1st B.L.U.

Major Ward.

1. I have arranged for a limited amount of training equipment (L.M.C.s, T.M.C.s and Grenades) to be sent out to Orisolo.

2. I would suggest that those personnel from the Artillery should do a short 3-week course of training as follows:-

1st week.

Training in above small arms and grenades and individual fieldcraft.

2nd week.

Section Training, Patrolling, Firing of weapons and Battle Practice.

3rd week.

Organisation of a Platoon; Platoon in the attack and Defence digging and sitting of weapon pits.

3. The above is only a suggestion. Could you, therefore, please issue a directive as to what training they are to carry out. I consider that all that is required is a concentrated conversion course omitting all that they would know before.

4. On completion of this 3-weeks the more intelligent may then be trained as Infantry specialists.

Field.
G.R./SSJ.

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Fleet.

W.L.Ric.

Major, D.D., II,
Training.

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Q2

DAA & QUC.

1. The new intake of ARFIERI at BRACCIANO require a number of boots. Many toes were seen on parade this morning.
2. The Commander of the Genio states that he cannot obtain boots from No 3 Regt and has urgent need of 500 pra.
3. The a/m intake is still in Italian battledress which needs replacing as largely worn out. The available Grade III battledress is better but very shabby. Is there any chance of getting a better issue please.

SMAR 45.

Major. R.E.

S.O.R.E.

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SUBJECT :- Engineer Training Stores.

British Training Increment RFC ICP.
Ref BTL/

Feb 45.

SOW Major HATLAND.

For the month of March for Inf Trg, I would request that the following RE Stores be indented, this exclusive of explosives etc, which have been indented for separately.

<u>Paint.</u>	White	-	56 lbs.
	Black	-	56 lbs.
	Red	-	28 lbs.
	Green	-	28 lbs.

Wire and pickets.

To complete scale allowed in the INF list.

Timber.

A similar quantity of scantling (not sleepers) as previously supplied would be most usefull, as I have a circular saw available.

Nails.

1 1/2", 2 1/2", 4" and 6" - 56 lbs each.

Gasian.

400 yds.

Steel Wool.

5 Rolls.

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W.L. Fawc.

WLF/rav

Major.

SUBJECT :-

Training Equipment

Col S.C.W.W. REA

Jan 49

Officer In Charge of Training RIG IOF

It is hoped that in the period before ordnance stores arrive as much progress as possible can be made in the building of Ranges, Targets, Bayonet Stands etc.

Five Thousand Sandbags have been sent to you for making firing points for Ranges Hessian Canvas, Paint and other items for Targets will arrive in the next two days.

Wood will be the problem. However in the area of the Chemical Factory here at CESANO there is any amount of wood, both for Targets and Bayonet Stands. Also logs suitable for Physical Training. Besides this there is a certain amount of wire and pickets, and other useful items.

By arrangement with the contractor much of this I feel can be obtained and a visit with a 3-ton Lorry would be well repaid.

WLP/ell

Col S.C.W.W. REA 3220

May PRICE.

56/02

25 MAR 1945

SUBJECT: Rifles.

'P' BLU. IRAC. ICF.

Ref: AQ/2/1/125.

24 March 1945.

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

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

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Major R.A.
DAA & GE.

NRG/ah.

Internal.G.II
DADOS.
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SORE

Q2

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

'P' BLU RTC ICF
Ref AQ/5/73

8 Mar 45

HQ RTC ICF

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

1. The SORE has again reported that trg has been considerably hampered owing to 400 men of the Artieri Company having had no issue of Clothing or Equipment.
2. No special request for an immediate issue has been received by DADOS but Commander 3 Regiment says he made personal visits to HQ RTC ICF on this matter.
3. Would you please investigate why this demand from Commander 3 Regiment was NOT immediately made to DADOS for an immediate issue.
4. In order to avoid any recurrence please ensure that all Regimental and Battalion Commanders understand that although it is imperative to have a system by which Regiments draw on a given day each week - urgent issues will be made at any time provided they are justified.

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[Signature]
Maj RA
DAA & QMG

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Commander BIU.

Engineer Training.

1. 400 Artieri have been at BRACCIANO for one week without being reequipped at all in spite of full warning of their arrival. Men were digging tank work and erecting Bailey Bridging this afternoon wearing tattered green Italian battledress, odd bits of civilian clothing and boots well beyond the repair stage. Without exception men when asked stated that they possessed no other clothing than what they were wearing. It is known that some were excused all training being not equipped well enough to even leave the barracks. Training under such conditions is impossible.

2. Commander of the Engineer School and 3 Regt'l Commander were interviewed this afternoon. It was stated that 3 Regt put in a large indent for these men on 2 KAR and boots were expected on 3 KAR. No 3 Regt'l Commander stated that he had made personal visits to CES-ANO on this matter.

3. I have advised the Regt'l Commander to put in an urgent indent for:

- 1 Pr of Boots per man.
- 1 Set of Overalls per man. *
- 1 Decent battledress per man.

Under clothing
unless these are provided training will have to cease. May 400 sets of the above be issued on receipt of this indent at the stores or, better still, forthwith. with the rider that

4. It would appear inevitable that such heart-breaking incidents will occur unless 3 Regt Builis up a reasonable reserve of clothing at BRACCIANO.

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Major. R.E.

SORE BTI ETC ICF.

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Major. R.E.
SORS BTI ETC ICF.

* Overalls, or some type of working XIV, are essential for sapper training.

F...I...L...R

SUBJECT: Training Equipment.

'H' BTL HRC ICF

Ref: HRL/C.2/00

1 April 1945

HQ, HRC ICF'G' Trg Unit (for Capt Sneathurst)

1. The amount of Training Equipment, while not yet entirely satisfactory, is fairly adequate.
2. It is known, however, that many items of equipment issued are not complete with spare parts and accessories i.e. Batteries for wireless sets.
3. Could HQ, HRC ICF submit a consolidated list of requirements to this office and in the case of expendable stores, one month requirements.

H.A./anj.

W. R. H.
Major, GSO.II,
Inf Training.

3216

F...I...L...E.

REMARKS:

Blackboards.

Inf, 100 LCP
Major Corrado
"C" Trg Unit.

"B" MFL 1270 AM

Ref: MFL/1.2/12.

30 March 1945

There is available for collection at the Training Stores 15 blackboards. These were secured by us for the Infantry School and for the Infantry Specialist School. However, knowing that the Infantry School has urgent need of more, could they be divided as follows:-

Infantry School	"	4
Infantry Specialists	"	4
Instructors School	-	7

Care should be taken in transporting these as they are not very strong.

MFL/na1.

W. R. Price

Major, G.S.C.,
Inf Trg Unit.

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F...I...L...E.

SUBJECT:-

Administration

H' Br Trg Incr
LRAC IOP

Ref: HFL/Q.2/72

26 March 1945

DAA & QMG

1. The following items of equipment are needed by the ARRIEMI at BRACCIANO. Could you please inform me of the availability as it is stated that they are unobtainable.

Shirts. (500 wanted).
Housewives.
Handkerchiefs.
Soap.
Toothbrushes.
Toothpaste.
Razor blades.
Tables 6 ft.
Battledress. (to issue to officers).
Beds.
Cigarettes. (The free issue is received all right).
Gas capes.

2. Could you please let me have the scale of clothing now being issued to the Italian soldier.

3. Could you please let me have the scale of equipment issued per cookhouse.

JCB/asj.

Major, RE,
ROME

subgroup: **1** - 247000

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Novel Information 403

03-68-69, "W" 37U, 35E, 102,

NOTES

Reference: your 07/774/5/0000 44 0005 60 0000 1003

- ii. Receipt of your return is acknowledged and the position regarding citation distributed throughout this Centre is now clarified.

2. Unless Training Staff specifically advise us, it is not considered advisable to issue to Campo Attendants 500 rifles over and above the quantity required to arm every man on the strength of that Camp.

3. While the rifle should be considered as a personal issue to recruits, it must be remembered that it is an item of War Office Controlled Stores and accountable as such.

4. At the moment, 100, 100, is permitted to hold a maximum of 5000 rifles for all purposes. Of these, 1000 must be held centrally as a reserve and I am accountable for them to A.D.C. Home Area. They form the pool held in the 100 Central Storehouse. The balance of 5000 can be distributed throughout the Regiment and Company of 132 Regiment.

6. I have consulted S. STI, in this matter and it is recommended that Regiments and Bnols should each hold a maximum quantity of rifles as follows :-

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5. In your return for 7th April shows a total holding throughout HQ, ICF, of 4220 rifles, there are available now 750 rifles to make the total up to 5000.
6. I have consulted G. ETL, in this matter and it is recommended that Regiments and Companies should each hold a maximum quantity of rifles as follows :-
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|------------------|------|
| 1st Bgt | 1750 |
| 2nd Bgt | 1750 |
| 3rd Bgt | 500 |
| Campo Attendants | 500 |
| S.I.P.A. | 250 |
| Scouts Section | 250 |
7. Will you please give instructions in accordance with the above.
8. The release of rifles to Regiments and Companies will be made automatically by this office to maintain holdings recommended.

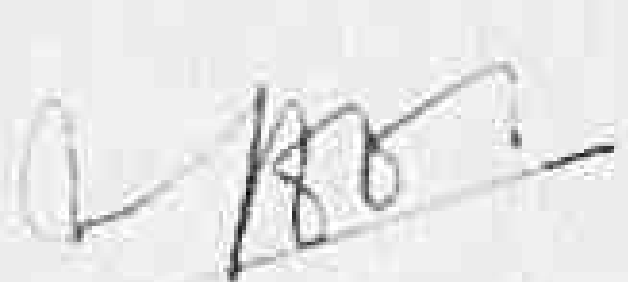
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9. It is suggested that the 16 rifles held by Scuola Panteria in excess of recommended total should be transferred to 1st Sgt. Please notify me if you agree and action taken.

10. The weekly rifle return for Regiments and Schools should be rendered promptly in order that I may give immediate releases as in my para 8 above.

WWJ/WES
Internal.
Float File.


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

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F...I...L...E.

SUBJECT:-

Training Stores and Equipment

Q2

'H' BTI IRTC ICF

Ref: MFL/Q.2/113

10 April 1945

HQ, IRTC ICF
 INFANTRY School
 INFANTRY SPECIALIST School
 OC No.2 Regiment
 ADOS
 QMSI Phillips, APTC

The following stores are available for collection as under:-

<u>Infantry School.</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Megaphones 12"	4
<u>Infantry Specialist School</u>	
Megaphones 12"	3
<u>No.2 Regiment</u>	
Hatchets 15" Blade	6
<u>HQ, IRTC ICF (For Divisional Workshops)</u>	
Brushes Flat Paint 1"	4
<u>QMSI Phillips, APTC.</u>	
Cordages Manila Hemp 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	420 yds

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WLF/anj
 Major, GSO.II
 Inf Training.

SUBJECT :- Rifles

- 4 APR 1945

HQ Hq RHC IOP
Ref AQ/2/1/22

4 Apr 45

HQ RHC IOP

Reference my AQ/2/1/125 of 24 Mar 45.

Please amend paragraph 3(b) and (c) to
read :-

- (b) Number of rifles received during week
from :-
- (i) DADOS
 - (ii) Other sources
- (c) Number of rifles transferred during week :-
- (i) With reinforcements sent forward
 - (ii) To other Units.

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InternalG.II Trg ✓
DADOS
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240/QV.
27 MAY RecdSUBJECT :- Training equipment.'C' Training Unit in the Italian Army
C. N. P.

Ref DTG/B.2/406

26 May 45.

TO:-

CWO II (Schools)
CWO II (Infantry) ✓

1. It is proposed to open a permanent school course at C. N. P. as part of the school at which the attached list gives details of the suggested equipment. This is based on the material at CWO.

2. Although this type of equipment may not be made available to the Italian Army, this type of material is particularly suited to them, and a course explaining and showing our equipment would be helpful.

3. Please advise us if these items can be made available.

LH, raw

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25 May Recd

SUBJECT :- Training Equipment.

'G' Training Unit to the Italian Army
C. M. F.

Ref RTU/D.2/404

25 May 45.

DIT.

GSO II Infantry Training.
GSO II Schools.

The following equipment would be useful for demonstration
and training purposes. Can you arrange to supply a small number.

English Weapons.

(i)	Sten Mark 23 or Mark VI	No.3
(ii)	Rifles No 5	No.3

German Equipment.

Anti-lifting device E2.44

No.3

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W. W. W.
Maj
GS

SUBJECT :- Training D & M School

17' HLT ITC ICF
Ref SL/1/504

7 May 45

Commander 'F' HLT ITC ICF

Copy to :- 'H' HLT ITC ICF

1. Due to the acute shortage of training vehicles at the D & M School (23 vehicles available from a total of 75) and the lack of tools and equipment the standard of efficiency of pupils at the end of Course No 1 is not satisfactory.

2. It is strongly recommended that the present course, due to terminate on the 5 May, be continued for a further period up to the 20 May.

3. Fourteen vehicles have recently been certified as HLR and it is hoped that replacements may be drawn to increase the present availability and enable each pupil to have a longer period daily of practical instruction. The total strength of vehicles is still 25 below the proposed War Establishment. A War Establishment has now been approved for the School, but as no copy has yet been received it is not known for certain if the total proposed strength of 100 vehicles has been authorized.

4. The necessary tools and equipment - spacers, gressers, etc., - are on demand and an Officer from the School is visiting BOB LITTLE on 9 May in the hope of receiving some or all of the outstanding items. This lack of equipment has meant that maintenance instruction has had to be given theoretically without its practical application by the pupils themselves, which is a most unsatisfactory method.

5. An examination of the School vehicles was carried out on 3 May. The general condition of cleanliness and maintenance has had, and the neglect and lack of adequate supervision on the part of the School Staff. The attention of HLT ITC was drawn to this in my SL/1/402 dated 4 May and it has now been decided to replace the present Commandant with an Officer having more practical experience of transport operation and administration. It is hoped that the replacement will be effected within the next ten days and before the start of Course No 2.

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SUBJECT:-

Training Stores

Officer i/c Training Sgpt
(Mr Major Corrado)

SIVA
Infantry School
Infantry Specialist School
INDOS

H' BIL DDC 107

Ref: DDC/2/17

25 April 1945

1. Camouflage nets 14' x 14' are available
for issue as under:-

SIVA	No. 10
Infantry School	No. 10
Infantry Specialist School	No. 10

2. They should be collected forthwith.

SJS/aaJ

Major SJS.II
Inf Training

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FILE

SUBJECT :- FIAT Targets.

'H' HTI INFO ICF

Ref HTI/Q.2/251

2 June 45.

CC 'G' HTI.

1. There exists a need for a number of Heavy Tanks here and at MANZILAH as targets for FIAT firing.
2. Efforts in the past have been made to obtain these but without success owing to lack of transporters etc.
3. Could the provision of these be taken up with MMIA?

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WLP
Maj
GSO II (Inf)

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SUBJECT:-

Enemy Equipment

"H" British Trg Increment
IRTC ICF

Officer Commanding,
No. 1 IRTD

Ref: HTI/C.2/234

30 May 1945

The items of Enemy Equipment collected by No:2157592 Sgt
MILHOT, A.S., are most gratefully acknowledged.

He has informed us that there are still some further items,
which he was unable to collect for want of space.

The items required are:-

- (i) German 7.92 and 9 mm ammunition.
- (ii) 36 and 42mm belts.
- (iii) Schweiner Magazines.
- (iv) If available a further specimen of one or two
of the rarer types of mines.

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Major GSO II JdV
"H" Br Trg Incr, IRTC, ICF.

WLP/aaJ

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SUBJECT:-

Training Stores

H' BTL LTC ICF

Ref: BTL/Q.2/278

15 June 1945

Officer i/o Trg
LTC ICF

1. At present there is a tendency in an effort to keep the training stores empty to find that stores are issued to the wrong units. Moreover, some items which have been sent in for repair and returned as repaired are seized upon and issued out as new items. This means that the unit which sent them in has lost them.

2. The items which appear to be badly distributed at present are:

- (i) 2" Mortars.
- (ii) MARS
- (iii) Telescopes Scout Regiment
- (iv) Stereoscopes
- (v) Everest Carriers
- (vi) Aukon Packs
- (vii) Rifle Harness

3. Could you please verify the numbers and distribution of the above items.

4. The equipment returned by GARIBOLDI should be included.

WLP/raj

WLP
Major GSC.II
In Training

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P...I...L...E.

SUBJECT: Infantry School Incident for Training Stores.

M. H. L. L. L. L.

Ref: H. L. L. L. L.

5 June 1945

Officer in Charge, H. L. L. L.

Infantry School

The following points are noted on the incident as made:-

(1) Wireless Equipment.

The equipment of the Specialist School should be used as laid down in Comrade Souza's Letter 3392/442.

(11) Pliers can be obtained from Training Stores (RS).

(11i) Blank cartridges and other training equipment must be provided for on the monthly ammunition demand.

(iv) H. L. L. L. should attempt to obtain all publications already translated.

I will have those not yet translated done.

(v) Where increases in the number of weapons is asked for I will attempt to procure.

(vi) Batteries for mine detectors are available in the training stores. I will forward instructions for repair of mine detectors later.

(vii) The method of indenting in general is not satisfactory. To assist in this I am having translated some English Equipment

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- (iii) Blank cartridges and other training ammunition must be indented for on the monthly ammunition demand.
- (iv) TEC ICF should attempt to obtain all publications already translated. I will have those not yet translated done.
- (v) Where increases in the number of weapons is asked for I will attempt to procure.
- (vi) Batteries for mine detectors are available in the training stores. I will forward instructions for repair of mine detectors later.
- (vii) The method of indenting in general is not satisfactory. To assist in this I am having translated some English Equipment Tables. This shows the scale of squares etc, for each weapon is entitled to. Both English and Italian names will be given. It would assist if indents could then be made in English giving the part number.

WLP/auj

*WLP*Major GSO. II
Inf Training



SUBJECT :- Training Equipment

'G' Training Unit to the Italian Army
C. E. F.

Ref HTU/B.1/435

8 June 45.

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GSO II (Infantry)
GSO II (Schools)

1. We recently constructed at BIVA a miniature range for use with the (pr) Anti Tank Gun (See Pamphlet 18 Page 28 "Lessons on Range Firing"). We are also completing another at the Infantry School.

2. Can you obtain four (4) .22 calibre rifles and 10,000 rounds .22 ammunition for use on these ranges. At present they are using 1 small bore Italian Rifle but have no ammunition left.

HWK/raw.

Maj
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SUBJECT :- Training Equipment.

'G' Training Unit to the Italian Army
C. M. F.

Ref HTU/B.1/432

4 June 45.

GSO II (Schools)

GSO II (Infantry)

1. We have received notification from DMT Training Equipment Branch that the Mountain Warfare training equipment, Sten Guns and No 5 Rifles you asked for last month cannot be made available for training purposes.
2. Efforts are being made to obtain German Anti Lifting Device EK 44 from other Training Establishments.

HWE/rauw

[Signature]
Maj
GS

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SUBJECT: Training Stores and Equipment

H* HVI INH ICF

Ref: HVI/Q.2/279

15 June 1945

Officer i/o Trg, INH ICF
 Officer i/o Infy Specialist School
 (Major VICKHILL)

1. There still appears to be some doubt as to the distribution of carriers and other tracked vehicles.

This remains

Designation.	Inf Spec School	Inf School	STVA
(i) Carriers, Universal (Runners)	12 @	3 @	3
(ii) Carriers, Mortar (Runners)	6	4	6
(iii) Carriers, Universal (Non-runners)	6	3	6
(iv) Carriers, Lloyd	6	4	5

It should be noted that only the carriers marked @ should normally be used for driving instruction. The remaining vehicles are principally for the tactical training of A/Tk gunners and Mortar men. This does not mean however, that men should not be trained in driving the laden Lloyd.

It does mean, however, that the Mortar and A/Tk officers of the schools have first claim on the vehicles. And while for convenience there is an officer supervising the maintenance and care of these vehicles, these vehicles belong to the A/Tk and Mortar wings, and the officers

(1)	Carriers, Universal (Runners)	12	8	3
(11)	Carriers, Mortar (Runners)	6	4	6
(111)	Carriers, Universal (Non-runners)	6	3	6
(1v)	Carriers, Lloyd	6	4	5

It should be noted that only the carriers marked ② should normally be used for driving instruction. The remaining vehicles are principally for the tactical training of A/Tk gunners and Mortar men. This does not mean however, that men should not be trained in driving the laden Lloyd.

It does mean, however, that the Mortar and A/Tk officers of the schools have first claim on the vehicles. And while for convenience there is an officer supervising the maintenance and care of these vehicles, these vehicles belong to the A/Tk and Mortar units, and the officers concerned must take an active interest in their care and maintenance.

2. It is again directed that all stores required for Infantry Specialist training issued to the 2nd Regiment under IET 83/4/MTM should pass to the Infantry Specialist School.

3. It is considered that the number of A/Tk guns and 3" Mortars are excessive to requirements. Will you please send me a distribution showing:

- (a) The distribution of 6 pdr A/Tk guns on charge to the Centre now.
- (b) The distribution of 3" Mortars.
- (c) Any remarks you may have as to the numbers actually required.

It is pointed out that holding weapons not actually used merely fills stores and results in neglect.

MLP/amj

D. Price
Major GSO.II
Inf Training

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SUBJECT :- Blind PIAT Bombs

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MMIA 'RTGICP'
c/o Land Forces
Sub Comm AC (MMIA)
ROME
Ref LO 16/2

Jan 45

Col S.C.W.W. REA
HQ RTG ICF

The following copy of DMT 55 Area
signal ref DMT/622 dated 12 Jan 45 is forwarded
to you for information :-

'APHQ SIGNAL PX60849 DATED 7 CITE
PRGOT STATES (.) ONE (.) BLIND
PIAT BOMBS WILL NOT BE MOVED ON ANY
ACCOUNT (.) BLINDS WILL BE DESTROYED
IN SITU BY UNIT DEMOLITION CHARGE
(.) TWO (.) SERIOUS ACCIDENTS HAVE
OCCURRED DUE BLIND FUZZES BEING
REMOVED AND BOMBS REFUSED (.)
THREE (.) THIS SIGNAL WILL BE
COVERED BY A GRC (.) ALL INFORMED

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Maj RA
DAA & QMG (Br)

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SUBJECT:-

Training Material

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'P' HAU & TU IIRC ICF

Ref: HAI/Q.2/295

20 June 1945

Officer i/c Trg
IIRC ICF.

Ref your 4023/Add Art dated 18 June 1945

1. The distribution as given corresponds with what there should be.
2. However, while there is no reason why the number of weapons should not be kept as at present, it is felt that the 11 mortars of Infantry Specialist School and No.2 Regiment are not used very frequently. If not used weapons tend to rust in stores.
3. Particularly are the DP guns being neglected at present. These weapons, if properly cared for, should be used for all drill periods, for tactical instruction, man handling, etc., the new guns being kept for actual firing.
4. The translation often used "Maori Uso" is wrong for "D.P" and tends to make people neglect the weapons. The only way they should differ is that the DP gun is either unsafe or inaccurate for firing.
5. It is suggested that the 4 DPs outside the magazine are in better condition than those of the Specialist School.

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WIP/asj

Major GSO.II
Inf Training

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SUBJECT:- Distribution of Trg Material

'F' HL & TU IRTG ICF

Ref: HTI/Q.2/294

20 June 1945

Officer i/c Trg
IRTC ICF

1. Ref your 4000/Add art dated 18 June 1945.
2. Please effect the following adjustments.

(i) Telai tips "Everest"

To read

<u>SIVA</u>	<u>Infantry School</u>	<u>2nd Regt</u>
3	3	NIL

(ii) Stereoscopes

Infantry School have none. I believe they
all want to SIVA.

(iii) Telescopes, Scout Regiment.

Infantry School still only has two.

DL Price

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Major GSO.II
Inf Training

WLP/asj

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