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LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (MMIA) CMF

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13 Dec 46

MINISTRY OF WAR

Subject : Request for Authorisation to visit
the Barracks at FOR DI QUINTO BASSA.

Ref your 01/66/Q 3 of 30 Nov 46.

Herewith authority certificates as requested.

A further certificate is included for Gen. SCATTINI
as it is understood he also wishes to visit the barracks.

RPC/ww

Major General,
GOC, MMIA.

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Date: 13.12.46

TRANSLATION

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FROM: M. of W.

REF: 01/68/Q.G.

TO : M.M.I.A.

DATE: 30/11/46

SUBJECT: Request for authorisation

See file 7

The Commandant of the armoured car School, Lt. Col. Guzzinati, and Maj. Corrado of this Inspectorate need to enter ~~the~~ former cavalry Barracks of Tor di Quinto Bassa to examine the general condition of former stables and decide the work necessary for ~~the~~ repair.

Further to yesterday's verbal request of interpreter Major Lazzoni, I beg to kindly issue the relative authorisation as soon as possible.

*R.P.G.*Sgd CORRADO
Maj.

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D.W.*

TRG M.M.I.A.
File: T G 16/12
Date: 4. 12. 46.

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GSO II TRG
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TRANSLATION

FROM : M. of W.

REF: 5921/S/6

TO : M.M.I.A.

DATE: 20/9/46

SUBJECT: Armoured Car School.

Ref. your TRG/I6/I2 dated 12th inst.

I- In our letter 5552/S/6 dated 2 inst., we pointed out to your M.M.I.A. the advisability of also assigning to the a/m school, the buildings at Tor di Quinto Bassa which are at present used by the Allies as a Petrol Point. This is in order to permit accommodation of the recruits arriving for advanced training of armoured car companies of Div. Recce Bns (an average of 250 men every four months).

Said request was also submitted in consideration that, for the initial urgent requirements, only some of said buildings would have been sufficient, bearing in mind that, from information in hand, it appears that the Petrol Point would vacate the buildings in question by November next.

II- We are of the opinion that the future problem of training recruits for Armd units necessitates the keeping separate of the two centres earmarked for the training of the two cadres and units because of the two different duties answering to requirements and characteristics entirely different and the two types of material (armoured cars and tanks) requiring grounds suitable for training and for tanks, much wider areas than those which are situated at Tor di Quinto Bassa. On the other hand, the accommodation at Tor di Quinto Alta is to be considered as permanent and it does not seem advisable to change the present organization of the school.

III- Therefore, in connection with the requests contained in para 7 of the letter referred to above, we are of the opinion that:-

- a) - it is not convenient to organize one school for armoured unit recruits, answering to the needs of both types of training;
- b) - each type of vehicle must have a suitable school for the formation of instructors, cadres, tradesmen and carry out the advanced training of the troops;

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- c)- The school at Tor di Quinto Alta, which was in the past complete with all the buildings at Tor di Quinto Bassa at present used by the Petrol Point, will be in fact in a position to cope with all the requirements for training armoured car units;
- d)- The Tank School could be set up in the area between Civitavecchia and Tarquinia, in order to utilize the Aurelia barracks at Civitavecchia, which will be vacated by the Engineer School and ~~for~~ use the shores of Tarquinia which are suitable for training Tank units.
- e)- In order to arrange the organisation of the tank school, as the possibility of repairing the military buildings at Tarquinia which are badly damaged, is to be excluded, it will be necessary to complete and improve the equipment of the Aurelia barracks at Civitavecchia so as to serve the above purpose and to wait for the transfer of the Engineer school, which move will require about 6-8 months.-

Sgd. LIUZZI
Gen.

TRG M. M. I. A.
File - TRG/16/12
Dn - 23/9/46.

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GSO HTRG	<i>[initials]</i>
GSO TRG	<i>[initials]</i>
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GSO TRG	<i>[initials]</i>

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SUBJECT: Armoured Car School.

1. AND FORMER HEAD OFFICE, 200 (MIL)

(TEL. 221: 305) 11/15/12

12 Sep 45

TO : Ministry of War.

1. Recent correspondence between your Ministry and this division tends to show that the problem of suitable accommodation for the Armoured Car School is one that requires considerable thought.

2. At present the premises at Fort di Quinto Alio are considered by your Ministry to be adequate for all needs excluding recruits.

3. The additional accommodation existing at Fort di Quinto Basso would, in the opinion of your Ministry be sufficient, if available, to cover all present needs of the recruits.

4. It is for consideration however whether the combined accommodation would allow of any expansion what soever over the present very small numbers of personnel for Armoured Car Units.

5. This HQ suggests that there is a distinct possibility of an expansion of present Armoured Troops - i.e. by the formation of one or more Armoured Tank formations.

6. It is our opinion that the problem of Armoured Training should be examined from the point of view of the future of

- (a) Armoured Car Training
(b) Tank Training

The main points appearing to need clarification

are

- (a) Could one Armoured Training Centre be established to cover the needs of both types of Training (i.e. Cars and Tanks).
(b) Would each branch have a separate Training Centre.
(c) Is Fort di Quinto really capable of meeting all needs of Armoured Car Training.

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1. Recent correspondence between your Ministry and this Mission tends to show that the problem of suitable accommodation for the Armoured Car School is one that requires considerable thought.

2. At present the premises at Tar di Quinto Alto are considered by your Ministry to be adequate for all needs including recruits.

3. The additional accommodation existing at Tar di Quinto Basco would, in the opinion of your Ministry be sufficient, if available, to cover all present needs of the Recruits.

4. It is for consideration however whether the combined accommodation would allow of any expansion what soever over the present very small numbers of personnel for Armoured Car Units.

5. This HQ suggests that there is a distinct possibility of an expansion of present Armoured troops - i.e. by the formation of one or more Armoured Tank formations.

6. It is our opinion that the problem of Armoured Training should be examined from the point of view of the future of

(a) Armoured Car Training
(b) Tank Training

7. The main points appearing to need clarification are

- (a) Could one Armoured Training Centre be established to cover the needs of both types of Training (i.e. Cars and Tanks).
- (b) Would each branch have a separate Training Centre.
- (c) Is Tar di Quinto really capable of meeting all needs of Armoured Car Training.
- (d) Where would the Tank Training Centres be established.
- (e) What time is needed to prepare a centre for Tank Training.

8. We should be interested to have your views on these matters in due course.

WLM/mm

Copy to: HQ: 12 BLU.
TMC/LI/2

M. W. H. BSS

Major-General
M. W. H. A.

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TRANSLATION

From: M; of W.
To : MMIA

Ref: 5552/S/G
Date: 2/9/46

Subject: Armoured Car School.

1. On 23 September 1946, at the conclusion of preliminary training, 250 recruits, corresponding to 50% of the W/Es estimated for the forming of armoured car units of the divisional reconnaissance battalions, will be sent to the Armoured Car School.

2. As is known, the above school must arrange for the appointment of officers and NCOs needed for the administration of said units.

Since the present availability of premises is insufficient for the billeting of all personnel, it is essential to increase the facilities of the school to meet the estimated requirements, considering also that the approach of Autumn does not permit any compromise solution.

3. We would point out to your Mission the necessity of increasing the accommodation of the school, assigning the premises of Tor di Quinto Bassa (at present occupied by the Allies) providing at least sufficient accommodation for the billeting of the two hundred and fifty recruits expected to arrive.

4. We shall be grateful to your Mission if you will kindly facilitate the handing over of the premises in question.

TO : E	
GSO I	<i>Len.</i>
GSO II	<i>[Signature]</i>
GSO II	

Liuzzi
Gen.

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Date:	R/ 18/9.

SUBJECT : War Establishment - Armoured Car School

LAND FORCES SUB COM AC (INDIA)

(L9061 Ext 400)

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TO : 12 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT TO
GENERAL MILITARY SCHOOL

Attached is a copy of War Ministry letter ref
L952/014/1 dated 25 Aug 45 giving increase in SF for School
to meet the requirements necessitated in trg the 200 recruits.

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SUBJECT : Changes to the Armoured Car School
WE IS/7/4

Ministry of War
4352/OM/1

26 Aug 46

TO : Military Central Schools
Info : MIA

Further to the future arrival of recruits for
for advanced training at the Armoured Car School, said School
WE IS/7/4 is changed as shown in the attached enclosure.

Extra personnel required to effect the above
changes will be posted as soon as possible by the General
Directorates concerned and this SM.

Said personnel will report to the School by
the 10th Sep 46.

The service office will issue instructions
for the allocation of T 17 Staghound Armoured Cars accordingly.

(sgd) Liguani
General.

CCYT

Appt 'A' to Ministry of War
 Letter 4552/Crs/I
 Dated 26 Aug 45

Changes to the Armoured Car School HQ

A. Addition of a recruit training company as under :-

(i) Personnel

<u>Detail</u>	<u>Recruit's Trg Coy</u> (1)
Company Commander (Capt)	1
Platoon Commanders (Junior Officers)	2
Total Officers	3
HQ in charge of stores (FO) (1)	1
Platoon Commanders (FOs)	2
HQ Clerks	1
HQ Instructors	4
Total HQs	8
Junior HQ Squad Commanders	16
Junior HQ Storemen	1
Cooks (Privates)	3
Duty personnel (gls, barracks, room orderlies,	6
Total Junior HQs & men	26
Total HQs, Junior HQs & men	34
Total personnel	37

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B Increase in the unit Hq of the School of :-
 3 Armoured Car Drivers
 6 T 17 Staghead Armoured Cars

- NOTE (1) = Includes 200 recruits and is formed on 4 pls (1st pl armoured Car Drivers, 1 platoon drivers and ORs, 1 platoon armourers, 1 platoon wireless operators.
 (1) = The HQ shown as in charge of stores (regular HQ runs stores for the unit commander. However this HQ may assume direct responsibility thus relieving the Coy Comd of this duty.

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