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The following notes on No. 1 C.A.R. are forwarded
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General Training

Call Up

In the past two Call Ups men did not arrive up to time and this seriously affected the first weeks training.

Note It is understood that Districts are now aware of this and will organise better in future.

Inoculations

Insufficient time has been allowed in the timetable and training has suffered as a result. More spare periods are needed to cover this.

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It is considered that

- (a) by adding a fortnight to the present course, ^{or by limiting it's scope} training would be received by the recruit.
- (b) that if the Call Up is in future going to be greater than the original estimate a corresponding increase must be made in instructors based on 2 instructors per squad.

Size of Coys and Admin Problems

Coys have been as large as 340. This has resulted in the Coy Comd being forced to devote a very considerable portion of his time to administrative details instead of to the training of his company.

All responsibility for loss etc, is his, and there is much less decentralisation of responsibility to WOs than exists in our Army.

The inclusion of a Coy 2 i/c in the Establishment would solve this problem provided the administrative responsibility devolved on him.

Changes in Staff

These occur too often. Mostly due to instructors applying for transfer because they cannot find accommodation for their families and cannot afford to live separated from them. This question is a very important one. A possible solution would appear to be the construction of a number of quarters in an unoccupied barracks, but this would cost a fair amount of money.

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PIAT	-	6 " "

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Rattles

At present Nil. (A sample has now been sent to 1 C.A.R.)

C.A.R. could probably manufacture Rattles if they had one as a sample.

Blank Amm

Would be very valuable for Elementary tactical training.

Aiming Rests

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C.A.R. strongly recommend that the allotment should be 1 per squad i.e. 132.

I have asked Territorial Command to refer these points to

S.M.E.

U/s Brens

At present Nil. Service Brens are used for stripping and assembling, and as a result deteriorate rapidly.

Territorial Command is taking up this question with S.M.E.

77 Grenades)
Smoke Grenades)
Flares for 2" Mor.)

An allotment made by S.M.E. N4/1380/Serv of 29 June has not been received.

The matter was taken up by Terr. Comd. S.M.E. have replied (20 Nov) stating that 77 grenades are not available but requesting Direzione Artiglieria to issue remainder.

Ranges

6 30yd ranges each 6 targets exist.
 1 long range (tiro and segno) 6 targets exists.
 1 long range is being constructed about 2 hours march from the barracks, but there is some legal dispute about its use. As an additional range is very necessary owing to the large numbers of recruits, it is hoped that this labour has not been in vain.

Indoor Training

All the ranges have roofed in Piring Points. Each Company has a Sandtable. There are no lecture rooms or accommodation other than the rooms at the Funzionale Barracks, but the main Barracks is satisfactory

Care of Arms and Cleaning Kit

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He has not received any armourers tools or foresights.

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Accommodation

- (a) There are no separate Dining Halls at the Caserma Funzionale and a lack of accommodation for indoor trig in this barracks, which are also deficient of drinking water which has to be brought in water carts from the other barracks.
- (b) Cookhouses are built for wood fuel and therefore economical compared to the majority of cookhouses.
- (c) RE Works. All the more important work has been completed. There is glass in all essential windows.

Stoves are practically complete and the balance have been promised.

(d) Wire netting is going to be put on windows of cookhouses and food stores.

Turn Out

The Demonstration Platoon shows all recruits the method of wearing uniform and equipment.

A diagram showing correct Kit Layout is shown in every barrack room.

Recruits have to attend the Barber's shop to be shaved at least 3 times weekly. Daily shaving is not insisted upon.

Interval between Recruits Courses

This time is utilised for reconnaissance of ground - preparations of schemes and revision of lessons by instructors.

In addition, a short course on methods of instruction, W.I. and tactics is being run from 9th to 20th Dec for 22 officers, 24 sottoufficiali and 89 graduati from the Territorial Regts and Cremona Div who have not been to central school.

GENERAL

1.

The call-up was successful. Some 500 recruits arrived at intervals during the period 1-15 Apr, which rather upset the programme. Discipline was good and recruits seemed cheerful.

Welfare arrangements were also good.

Apart from some unavoidable over-crowding in the accommodation, the CAR was well organised and working very satisfactorily, and the Comd and his staff had done a good job of work.

The Comd seemed rather old and lacking in energy and drive, but evidently had more of a grip on the situation than one would have expected. His 2IC and one of the Trg Majors were particularly good.

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- (b) Shortage of water in the FUNZIONALI Barracks.
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Accommodation was rather over-crowded throughout (though not serious), more particularly in the FUNZIONALI Barracks.

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The Comd was rather concerned about the lack of accommodation for married families.

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Due apparently to the low pressure in the pipes preventing the filling of the large water tank on the tower in the Barracks. I could not find out whether this was likely to be only a temporary stoppage or not. ⁵⁰⁰rice-fields (all flooded) abound in the CASALE MONFERRATO area, and this may have some connection with the shortage.

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TRANSPORT

5. The condition of the tpt generally was very poor. The Comd's car had to be pushed a considerable distance by half a dozen recruits to get it to start at all, much to his indignation!!

CONCLUSION

6. A good well-organised CAR, and trg should go well. The question of over-crowding requires attention.

Bluelock
Major
GSO II (Trg)

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CASALE MONFERRATO.

Report on Inspection of No. 1 C.A.R. on 30 Apr 1966.

Inspecting Officer Rk. Major Name. LUCKORX.

Serial (1)	Questionnaire (2)	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer			
		(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	<u>Accommodation Permanent Staff.</u>	Officers	Senior NCO's	Junior NCO's	OR's
1.	<u>Married Quarters.</u> Complete cols 3:4:5:6	No quarters available. A "deposit" in the town, which could take only 20 families, could be turned into married quarters if the money was available.			
	(a) Do married quarters exist. ?				
	(b) What percentage are so housed. ?				
	(c) Is this accom adequate and cheap ?				
	(d) Are quarters far from Barracks. ?				
	(e) Is transport provided to move to and from Barracks. ?				
2.	<u>Single Quarters.</u>				
	(a) Is accom adequate. ?	Yes	Yes	Rather overcrowded	
	(b) Are latrines adequate. ?	Yes	Yes	No	No
	(c) Are washing arrangements adequate. ?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes.
3.	<u>Messes.</u>				
	(a) Are the mess arrangements adequate. ? (Cols. 3:4:5: only)	Yes	Yes	None	/

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	<u>Accommodation Permanent Staff.</u>	
4.	Have you any observations on married quarters. Single quarters or messes not covered in questions 1 to 3. ?	No.
5.	Do messes or Clubs exist for Staff privates. ?	No. ✓
6.	If not is there any segregation or extra comfort for them. ?	No - Same facilities as the recruits.
	<u>Accommodation of Recruits.</u>	
7.	How are recruits accommodated. Single Tier. ? Double Tier. ?	Mostly single - some double. Definitely overcrowding, but not dangerous.
8.	Do conditions appear to be hygienic or are overcrowding dangerous. ?	
	<u>Mess Halls.</u>	
9.	Do separate Mess Halls exist for Privates and Graduated of permanent Staff and recruits. ?	No
10.	Are mess Halls furnished. ?	Tables & chairs.
11.	How many can be accommodated sitting. ?	100%
12.	Do many have to eat standing or in the open. ?	None.

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	<u>Kitchens</u>	
13.	Have Officers' Mess and NCOs' Messes got Kitchens separate from the Troops ?	Yes
14.	Are the Troops' Kitchens adequately fitted with cooking Ranges and Appliances ?	Yes - Very good.
15.	Do suitable larders and stores exist ?	Yes.
16.	Do meals appear well cooked and are they well served up ?	Yes.
17.	Do the feeders appear to be satisfied with what they are getting ?	Yes.
	<u>Armouries</u>	
18.	Are Armouries adequate ? Are there Weapon Racks ?	Yes - Some weapon racks, but not sufficient.
19.	Do Armoury Storemen know their job ?	Fair - not much knowledge of Brit weapons.
20.	Are stored weapons clean ?	Generally Yes.
21.	Is storage of clothing etc pro-	

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	<u>Armouries</u> (Contd)	
	Merchandise; are stores adequate ?	Yes - Yes.
	<u>Hygiene</u>	
22.	Does hygiene discipline seem high or low ?	Fairly high.
23.	Are there proper latrines and urinals ?	Yes.
24.	Do these work ?	Yes.
25.	Are numbers of seats adequate ?	Rather short.
26.	Is there any evidence of insufficient latrine accommodation (Blocked Pans or Odd Corners being used) ?	No.
27.	Are Kitchens and Food Stores flyproofed ?	No.
28.	Is there a plentiful supply of running water in Cookhouses ?	Yes. (See also covering notes)
29.	Is Cookhouse drainage good ?	Yes.
30.	Are Mess-halls flyproofed ?	No.
31.	Is the "Washing Up" system adequate ?	Yes.

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(Contd)		
Food stores adequate ?	Yes - Yes.	
Discipline seem high ?	Fairly high.	
Proper latrines and ?	Yes.	
Work ?	Yes.	
No. of seats adequate ?	Rather short.	
Any evidence of insufficiency of latrine accommodation (Blocked Pans being used) ?	No.	
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Plentiful supply of water in Cookhouses ?	Yes. (See also covering notes)	
Is drainage good ?	Yes.	
Are walls flyproofed ?	No.	
"Washing Up" system adequate ?	Yes.	

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Serial (1)	Questionnaire (2)	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer
	<u>Hygiene</u> (Contd)	
	to and hygienic ?	
32.	Are Swill Bins used ? Are they flyproof ?	No. No.
33.	Do adequate ablutions exist for all ranks ?	For recruits more are required.
34.	Are there baths ? Are they sufficient ?	Showers - Yes.
35.	Is hot water provided ?	Yes. (See also covering notes)
36.	How many hot baths does the recruit get per week ?	At least one per week.
	<u>Welfare</u>	
37.	What is the general standard of Messing ?	Good.
38.	What is clothing like, particularly boots ?	Socks poor, boots fair (and insufficient reserve) Otherwise good.
39.	What Canteens exist ?	One in each barracks. (Not civilian Contra)
40.	What do Canteens sell ?	Fairly well stocked with usual things - wif food, sweets, cleaning materials, etc.

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Water provided ?	Yes. (See also covering notes)	
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	<u>Welfare (Contd)</u>	
41.	Are there any special recreation rooms ?	Good spacious reading & writing rooms. in Duc d'Aosta Bks - not much room in Funzionali Bks
42.	Are they furnished ?	Some tables & chairs.
43.	Has the recruit any comfort outside his barrack room ?	No.
44.	Are games laid on for the recruit:	
	(a) Indoor ?	Table Tennis (3 or 4 tables)
	(b) Outdoor ?	Football & basket ball.
45.	Do any charitable organisations help the GAR welfare ?	No.
46.	Are there cinema shows or concerts ?	No. Comd wants to turn a large riding school into a theatre/cinema.
47.	Are Barrack rooms heated ? Lighted ?	No. Yes.
	<u>Medical</u>	
48.	Is MI Room complete ? Is there a reception centre ?	Yes. Yes.
49.	Is MO keen on his job ?	Yes.

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	<u>Medical (contd)</u>	
50.	Does he make frequent hygienic inspections of barracks, latrines etc ?	Probably occasionally as the standard of hygiene was not too bad.
51.	What arrangements exist for the evacuation of personnel to hospital ?	By ambulance to TURIN or NOVARA Military Hospitals.
52.	What is the average sick rate ?	35-40 - Mostly minor injuries.
	<u>Transport</u>	
53.	What is the condition of transport ?	Poor - 4 MCs, 4 light trucks, & 8 lorries - all old and in bad condition.
54.	Are garages adequate ?	Yes.
55.	Are vehicles properly maintained ?	Not seen.
56.	Is there any evidence of Mechanical Inspection ?	No.
57.	Is there any check on use of transport ?	Amount of petrol available limits the use of for very considerably.
58.	Do Senior Officers have use of transport for inspections and Recces ?	Only 2 Cars - both nearly worn out.

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ck on use of tra-?	Amount of petrol available limits the use of for very considerably.	
ers have use of inspections and ?	Only 2 Cars - both nearly worn out.	

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Serial (1)	Questionnaire (2)	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer
	<u>TRAINING</u>	
	<u>Open Training</u>	
59.	In view of known shortage of Instructors how has CAR solved its problems?	Deficiency of instructors at this CAR was small, and Squads were not large.
60.	How big are:- (a) Weapon Training Squads? (b) Drill Squads? (c) PT Squads?	20-22 } one platoon.
61.	What are the arrangements for wet weather instruction?	Ample accommodation in Duca d'Aosta Bks. Insufficient Funzionali Bks.
62.	Are supplies of training stores and gadgets ample? Rifle racks ? Targets (are they painted on walls) Bayonet Training sticks etc.	} ordered, but not yet all received. } No targets painted on walls.
63.	Is there an Assault Course ?	Not yet. Material had been asked for.
64.	Give details of ranges Minature 30yds - open ? How many targets at each ?	Mini - none, though sites were available. 30yd - 3 complete & 3 under construction (6 targets at each) Open - 1 of 300 metres (6 targets)
65.	What is the general standard of weapon training?	Fairly good.

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General standard of ?	Fairly good.	

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Serial (1)	Questionnaire (2)	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer
66	<u>Weapon Training (Contd)</u> What is the condition of Arms ? Is there evidence of daily Inspections and Cleaning. ?	Quite good. Yes.
67	Are cleaning materials in good supply. ?	Flamette, Yes - oil, no. Pullthroughs were reported to be of poor quality & constantly breaking.
68	What is the Armourer situation. ? <u>Physical Training.</u>	3 NCOs, none of whom had much knowledge of Brit Weapons.
69	Is this taken seriously. ?	No - fully-dressed P.T.
70	Is there any evidence of Br methods and the CTS NO PT School. ?	Very little.
71	Is there a gymnasium. ?	No.
72	Is it properly equipped. ?	—
73	Any inter-squad competition - Boxing, Cross country runs, Wrestling, Sports. ?	Comd stated there had not been sufficient time for these.
74	Are progress graphs maintained. to show changes in weight and ability. ?	Not seen.

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(Contd)		
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And Cleaning. ?		
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training.	3 NCOs, none of whom had much knowledge ^{breaking} of Brit weapons.	
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Evidence of Br the GCS/NO 1T ?	Very little.	
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country "one", ?	time for these.	
ports. ?		
graphs maintained. ?	Not seen.	
ages in weight and ?		

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Serial (1)	Questionnaire. (2)	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer.
75	<u>Tactical Training.</u> Does Tactical doctrine conform generally to British? (formations, use of ground, fire and area, etc. in section etc, ranging distance, indication and recognition etc.)	Not Yet Started. All preparations were in hand.
76	Are the British Battle Drills taught. ?	
77	Is the Sand Table used. ?	
78	Is instruction on the ground really thorough. ?	
79	Are Instructors completely 'au fait' with our methods ?	
80	Have adequate records of ground been made, and is ground selected in every way suitable. ?	
81	Is Repreading instruction thorough and is the progress taught.?	Recruits for Infantry - had not fired at all during 1st 4 weeks. Other recruits - had fired 10 rds with rifle and 5 rds with Bren. No. no proper coaching & supervision.
82	<u>Range Courses.</u> A Range Course has been laid down by the M of W. Is it used. ?	
83	Do Instructors on the firing points insist on proper firing positions. ?	

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Ques.	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer.	Action Recommended. (3)
Training.		
Will doctrine conform with ideas? (formations, rifle work, etc., distance, and recognition etc.)		
Little drills taught. ?		
Table used. ?		
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Serial (1)	Questionnaire. (2)	Answer or Remarks of Inspecting Officer
84	<u>Range Course (Contd)</u> Are registers kept. ? <u>Chart.</u>	Yes.
85	Do you think as a result of this inspection that the CMA is well situated or do you recommend any change. ?	Yes. No change recommended.
86	Do you think the Instructional Staff are doing their job. ?	Yes. Very keen.
87	Is there any possibility of effecting economies in the Staff, particularly the Adm Staff. ?	No - The two Bxcs are 2-3 kms apart, and really require a small addition to the adm staff.
88	Is there evidence of full co-operation and help from the Territorial Command, or vice versa. ?	Yes.

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e. Full co- help from the m, or vice versa. ?	Yes.	

Subject :- C.A.R.

RECEIVED 25 MAR 1946
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1 British Liaison Unit
G 6/3

22 Mar 46

To :- HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AG (LMA)
RME

Ref your TRG/1 dated 12 Jan 46 and signal TRG/151 dated 18 Mar.

1. Herewith plan of Bks showing layout in detail as requested, also map showing Ranges, trg areas and field Firing areas for No 1 C.A.R.
2. Delay in supply of these plans is regretted but it has not been for want of constant prodding by this unit.

TRG M. M. I. A.	
File	TRG/27/1
Date	R/253

Lt Col
GSO I

TO SEE	
GSO I	
GSO II (Fam)	AL

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Subject :- Opening of C.A.R.

To :- HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AG (MIA)

NOTE

RECEIVED 3046 18/3/46

1 British Liaison Unit
C 6/3

12 Mar 46

G. L. J.

Ref your letter TAC/27 dated 7 Feb 46.

1. A rehearsal at No 1 C.A.R. was held on the 11 Mar, and was attended by the GSO I and GSO II of this BLU.

2. The arrangements worked smoothly and the organisation for the arrival of recruits was well thought out, in short the system was as follows :-

(a) An R.A.O. staff is on 24 hr duty at C.A.R. Fly Station. The recruits are met off the train by an officer and a party of NCOs and the recruits then taken into an office, where the first registration is made.

(b) Each recruit was given a form with his name and full particulars, the reverse side of which, gave a complete register of all the articles he was to receive, down to coffee, bath and medical examination.

3. An NCO then collected 10 recruits with their forms and conducted them to the barracks, here they were taken into a large room, at one end was a table with three NCOs, here the fullest particulars of the recruit were taken, and he was assigned to a coy, he then passed to another table at the far end of the room where he received soap, towel and a canteen.

4. From here the recruit still in the party of 10 with the same NCO, were taken to the canteen where they received hot coffee and bread, they were also given an envelope and writing paper, to enable them to write to their families.

5. After this the party were taken to the baths, from baths they were conducted still by the same NCO to the medical inspection. The medical exam completed, the recruits were then taken to the coy to which they had been allotted, they were then handed over by the conducting NCO to the G.C. Coy, the conducting NCO had then finished his responsibility.

6. The coy office then allotted the recruits to squads, and they were then taken by an NCO of the coy to draw blankets, sheets, pillows and then led to their barrack rooms. They were then taken by the coy NCO to the stores again where clothing was issued, the recruit had then completed his entry into the army.

7. Parties of recruits arriving late in the evening go through the ordinary procedure ending with the drawing of bedding; clothing etc to be issued the next day.

8. The only criticism made by this BLU was that signs were not in evidence; but they were in process of being made and will be ready by the 15th, but in view

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TO SEE	
GSO I	
GSO II (Sch)	
GSO II (Finn)	

W. H. K. M.

Lt Col
GS

TRG M. M. A.

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Date 16/3.

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