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TERRITORIAL ORGANISATIONS - GENERAL

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TRANSLATION

SD/34  
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FROM: Rome Mil Terr Command.

REF: 01/5875.

TO : "R" auxiliary branch for 12 BLU

DATE: 10 June 1947

SUBJECT:- Drawing from 8th food depot of Rome - Authorised units.

A summary of the new list of units authorised to draw fuel and fodder from a/m depot wef 9 June 1947 is forwarded.

This list is compiled monthly and sent to the General Directorate of Commissariat and Admn services and to territorial units of Commissariat.

It is advisable that, those in the units who are entrusted with keeping up to date the authorised supplied strength, contact, each month, in the first fortnight if possible (for the external garrison at the moment of the drawing) the Services Office of this Command in order to check.

sgd ROCCHI  
Maj.

GM

GSO I (SD)	X	✓
DEP. G. M		
GSO L (FD)		
GSO III (SD)	X	✓
GSO II (I)		
GSO II (L)		

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FILE: SD/34  
DATE: R/21/6/47.





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20 1625 A

FROM : AFHQ  
TO : XIII CORPS  
INFO : MMIA  
REF : C 48494

UNCLASSIFIED  
IMPORTANT

WP  
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REQUEST YOUR VIEWS ON PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN MMIA CABLE O - 158  
OF 19 DECEMBER REGARDING LOCATION AND STATUS OF HEADQUARTERS  
NUMBER 5 ITALIAN ARMY REGION U D I N E

SD DISTRIBUTION

ACTION : SD/34  
INFO : G/3/1  
G/6  
Col A/Q

Jw  
21 Dec 45

GSO II (S)	
GSO II (I)	
GSD II (W)	
GSO III (SD)	
GSO III (ORB)	
G (Irg)	

(K)

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S I G N A L

FROM : M.M.I.A.  
TO : A.F.H.S.

DATE 19  
TIME OF ORIGIN 1700 A

INFO : 2 DISTRICT  
5 B.L.U., XIII CORPS.

REF. NO. : 0.1580

UNCLASSIFIED (.) FIRST (.) LOCATION AND STATUS OF HQ NO. 5 ITALIAN ARMY  
REGION UDINE NEEDS CLARIFICATION OF TAKEOVER OF NORTH ITALY TO ITALIAN  
GOVERNMENT (.)

SECOND (.) UDINE REGION INCLUDES 1300 DISTRICTS OF SACILE, TREVISO, PADOVA,  
VERICE AND ROVIGO WITH 24 PRE-POST AND HQS AT UDINE (.)

THIRD (.) WAR MINISTRY WOULD PREFER UNDER HQ TO REMAIN AT UDINE AND BE  
UNDER THEIR COMMAND BUT ACCORDING TO AFH. DIRECTIVE AG-084.711 G(SD)-0  
OF 2 NOV 45 PAR. 5(c) ITALIAN TROOPS IN TERRITORY NOT REDEEMED BACK ARE TO  
BE UNDER ALLIED COMMAND (.)

FOURTH (.) AFHIA RECOMMEND AND A.C. CONCURS THAT AS IN CERTAIN CIVIL MATTERS  
IT WOULD BE BEST TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION IN THE CASE OF UDINE AND PERMIT NECESSARY  
ITALIAN ARMY HQ AND ADMINISTRATIVE TROOPS TO BE LOCATED IN UDINE REMAINING  
UNDER WAR MINISTRY DIRECT COMMAND.

FIFTH (.) ALTERNATIVE OF MOVING THEM FURTHER WEST WOULD PRESENT ADMINISTRATIVE  
DIFFICULTIES AND CAUSE MILITARY AND POLITICALLY UNSOUND.

SIXTH (.) NO CHANGE NECESSARY IN STATUS OF 517 GDE HQ UNDER XIII CORPS (.)  
SEVENTH (.) COL PISOLEY PROMPTLY RETURNED FROM VISITING AFHQ

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5/10/54

GOVERNMENT (.)

SECOND (.) UDIHE REGION INCLUDES LSC DEBARRIC OF SACHE, TRIVISO, PADUA, VENICE AND ROVIGO WITH HQ PRE-ARR AND HQ AT UDIHE (.)

THIRD (.) WAR MINISTRY WOULD EXAMINE UNDER HQ TO REMAIN AT UDIHE AND BE UNDER THEIR COMMAND BUT ACCORDING TO AFH, DIRECTIVE G.051.711 G(ED)-0 OF 2 NOV 45 P.P. 5(c) ITALIAN TROOPS IN TERRITORY TO BE HELD BACK ARE TO

BE UNDER ALLIED COMMAND (.)

FOURTH (.) MILA RECOMMEND AND A.C. CONCURS THAT AS IN CERTAIN CIVIL MATTERS IT WOULD BE BEST TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION IN THE CASE OF UDIHE AND PERMIT NECESSARY ITALIAN ARMY HQ AND ADMINISTRATIVE TROOPS TO BE LOCATED IN UDIHE REMAINING UNDER WAR MINISTRY DIRECT COMMAND.

FIFTH (.) ALTERNATIVE OF MOVING THEM FURTHER WEST WOULD PRESENT ADMINISTRATIVE DIFFICULTIES AND APPEARS MILITARILY AND POLITICALLY UNSOUND.

SIXTH (.) NO CHANGE NECESSARY IN STATUS OF 517 GD BN NOW UNDER XIII CORPS (.)

SEVENTH (.) COL PIDSLEY RECENTLY RETURNED FROM TOUR AND IN THE VISITING AREA

ATTENTION: 24 DEC 0 WLD GIVE FURTHER INFORMATION IF NEEDED (.)

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AUTHENTICATED .....

INTERNAL DISTN: FILE SD/34  
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File 5145



PERSONAL  
SECRET

Subject : Italian Army Personnel in NE Italy.

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C. (MMA)

SD/34  
6 Dec 45

To : Major Selby MMA LC UDING.

1. Herewith correspondence relating to former Italian Army Units and personnel in VENETIA QUILLA as follows :-

- MMA letter SD/132/1 of 20 July 45.
- Min of War letter 215406/II of 13 July 45. to 31
- Extract from Maj Baumann's log 16-17-18 July para 13. to 32
- MMA letter SD/132/1 of 2 Aug 45. to 35
- " " SD/132/1 of 15 Aug 45. to 41
- " " SD/34 of 10 Sep 45. to 42
- AHQ " HQB/314 of 24 Sep 45. to 50.

2. It is desired to give the War Ministry the maximum possible assistance within the terms of the AHQ instructions. These personnel are in the nature of displaced persons but as their problems are principally concerned with arrears of pay, and other military allowances it is felt that we should endeavour to arrange facilities for the necessary documentation etc. to take place.

3. Naturally arrangements can only be made through the competent authorities : that is to say 13 Corps and Allied Military Government. Anything you do must be done therefore as their agent.

4. Two possible plans suggest themselves to us.

- (a) A.M.G. to publish instructions for the personnel concerned to assemble at a point within V.G. to be moved in transport to be provided by 13 Corps to a suitable place outside the V.G. area where Udine Territorial HQ can arrange the necessary documentation pay etc. The personnel should later return to the assembly point under similar arrangements.
- (b) Obtain from Udine HQ details of the particulars they require. Persuade A.M.G. to publish instructions for the personnel to report to one of their HQ's where these particulars could be obtained.

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- MMIA letter SD/132/1 of 2 Aug 45. to 33
- " " SD/132/1 of 13 Aug 45. to 41
- " " SD/34 of 10 Sep 45. to 42
- AMHQ " HED/314 of 24 Sep 45. to 50

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  - (b) Obtain from Udine HQ details of the particulars they require. Persuade A.M.G. to publish instructions for the personnel to report to one of their HQ's where these particulars could be obtained. <sup>When Udine HQ had completed its arrangements after receipt of the pay books similar arrangements should be made with A.M.G. for personnel to report for pay etc.</sup>
5. If a better plan suggests itself to you you should adopt bearing in mind (a) the fact that our interest is in the personnel as such and not in the Italian Army aspects. (see 5 (c) below).
  - (b) that property formerly belonging to the Italian Army is of no interest to us at present.
  - (c) that the Italian Army itself can undertake no activities in V.G.



Lt. Col.  
GS,  
M. H. I. A.

*R. J. G.*

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Subject : Italian Army Personnel in N.E. Italy.

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C. (MMIA)

SD/34

6 Oct  
Sep 45

To : Ministry of War

7030

Reference your 215406 /II dated 13 July 45.

222-5-32

1. AFHQ has ruled that it is undesirable for the Italian Army to undertake any activities in VENEZIA GIULIA West of the Morgan line until the peace treaty is concluded, and that it is similarly undesirable at the present time to approach the Yugoslav government with a view to moving Italian Army Units from that part of VENEZIA GIULIA East of the MORGAN line.
2. It is regretted, therefore, that the request contained in your above mentioned letter cannot be granted.
3. However the MMIA LG at UDINE has been fully informed of the position and has been instructed to give Territorial HQ the maximum possible assistance within the terms of AFHQ instructions above.

(K)

Major General,  
M. M. I. A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

27 Sep 45

FILE NO : HSD/314

SR

SUBJECT : Italian Air Force Personnel  
in VERUZIA GIULIA.

TO : Air Force Sub Commission AG.

COPY TO : Main HQ 13 Corps (ref 5731/G of 20 Sep) (2)  
Land Forces Sub Commission AG (MMA) (without attachment).

NET

Reference your AFHQ/362/5/Org dated 1 Sep 45 addressed  
to HQ AMC 13 Corps.

A similar request was received from Land Forces Sub  
Commission AG (MMA) on behalf of the Italian Ministry of War.  
A copy of AFHQ reply, under reference HSD/314 of 21 Sep 45,  
is attached for your information.

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By Command of Field Marshal ALFANTER:

A. Benn Lt-Col

SD/34

for M.D. WISSEY,  
Lieutenant General,  
Chief of Staff.

TRIS/100/010-B

- GSO 1
- GSO 2 (Ops)
- GSO 3 (SD)
- GSO 4 (WE)

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27 Sep 45

FILE NO : HSD/314

SD

SUBJECT : Italian Air Force Personnel  
in VERONA GIULIA

TO : Air Force Sub Commission AC.

COPY TO : Main HQ 13 Corps (ref 5731/G of 20 Sep) (2)  
✓ Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MIA) (without attachment).

MT

Reference your AFSD/367/5/Org dated 1 Sep 45 addressed  
to HQ AMT 13 Corps.

A similar request was received from Land Forces Sub  
Commission AC (MIA) on behalf of the Italian Ministry of War.  
A copy of AFHQ reply, under reference HSD/314 of 20 Sep 45,  
is attached for your information.

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By Command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

A. Benn Lt-Col

SD/34

for W.D. MORGAN,  
Lieutenant General,  
Chief of Staff.

WBIS/1cb/087-B

- GSO 1
- GSO 2 (Op)
- GSO 3 (GD)
- GSO 4 (WE)
- GSO 5 (L)
- GSO 6 (SD)
- GSO 7 (Ordt)
- GSO 8 (M)

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FILE: SD/34

DATE: 27/9/45

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF - (BR)

SD

Sep 45

FILE NO : HSD/314

SUBJECT : ITALIAN Army personnel in NE ITALY  
and JUGOSLAVIA

TO : Land Forces Sub Com AC (MMLA)

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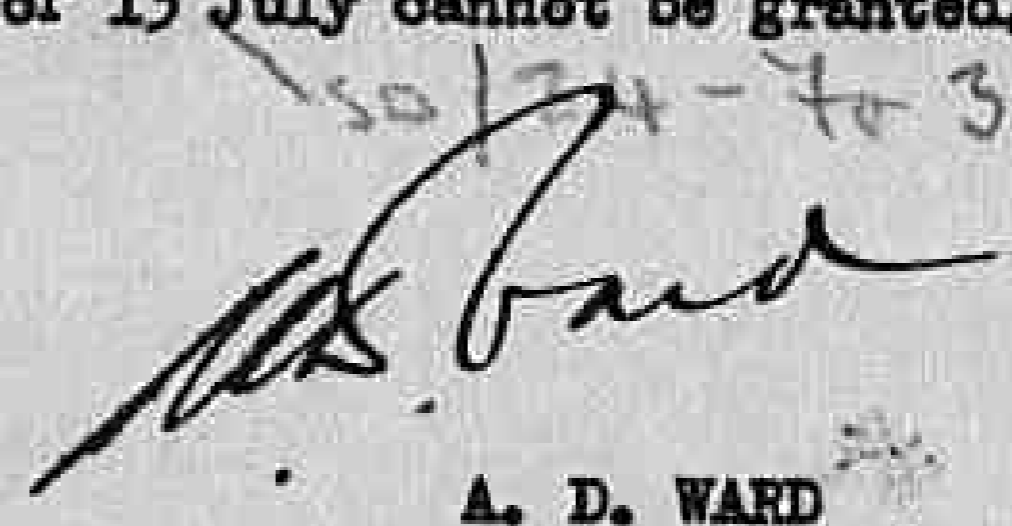
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SD/34-704.33+35

Reference SD/132/1 of 20 Jul and 2 Aug

1. It is undesirable to allow the ITALIAN Army to undertake any activities in VENEZIA GIULIA West of the MORGAN line until the peace treaty is concluded. This area is at present under the jurisdiction of AMG.
2. It is similarly undesirable at this time to approach the JUGOSLAV government with a view to moving ITALIAN Army units from that part of VENEZIA GIULIA East of MORGAN line.
3. It is regretted therefore that the Ministry of War must be informed that the request in their letter of 13 July cannot be granted.

SD/34-704.31



A. D. WARD  
Major General  
Assistant Chief of Staff (Br)

WHR/30/ORG-B

- GSO 1
- GSO 2 (Ops)
- GSO 2 (SD)
- GSO 2 (W-)
- GSO 2 (L)
- GSO 3 (SD)
- GSO 3 (Orbat)
- GSO 3 (I)

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FILE: SD/34/1
DATE: R/26/9

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from M of W  
to MMIA

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Translation  
ref. 220035/II  
222-5-42  
21 Sept.45

*49*

Subject: Italian military personnel in Venezia Giulia.

Yours S/D/34 dated 10 Sept.45 refers.

This Cabinet, with letter 219005/II dated 5th inst., was referring to the Italian military units existing in Venezia Giulia before the armistice ( listed on the App. of letter 215406/II dated 13 July 45) and therefore to the personnel who belonged to a/m units. These personnel were left without liaison with the M of W and therefore it is necessary to define their position.

We would like to know, as soon as possible, the decision of AFHQ.

C/u

*[Handwritten signature]*

MMIA - 'U'  
FILE: 50/34  
DATE: R/24/9

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- GSO 1 ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~
- GSO 2 (OW) ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~
- GSO 2 (SD) ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~
- GSO 2 (WE) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 2 ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 3 ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 3 ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 3 ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Lombardi

*CO.S. 5150 m*  
*See p. 44*

*wish this expedited again*

*please*

*R 25/9*



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SUBJECT: Italian Military personnel  
in VENEZIA GIULIA

Land Forces Sub-Com, AO (MMIA)

SD / 34

10 Sep 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

See 4953

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter E19005/II of 5 Sep 45.

It appears that there is some mistake as in para 1 of the above letter you draw attention to "the problems regarding Italian Military Units in Venezia Giulia" while in 6385/Sit of 23 Aug 45 you state that "there are NO Italian Military units stationed in Venezia Giulia".

It is obvious, however, that you require permission to set up small detachments of Military Districts etc to handle former Italian Military personnel.

As this has a strong political as well as military aspect, the question was put to A.F.H.Q. and as soon as a reply is received you will be notified.

R 11/9.

*[Signature]* Lt. Col

Major-General,  
MMIA.

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recd  
12/9

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**SUBJECT: Italian Army personnel in  
N.E. ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA**

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C. (MIA)

SD/34  
10  
Sep 45

TO : AFHQ (thru HQ A.C.)

Ref this HQ letter SD/132/1 dated 15 Aug 45.

1. As correspondence on this subject goes back as far as July, it would be appreciated if a reply could be given as soon as possible, please.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Major General  
MIA

R 11/9.

B/F 20 Sep.

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TRANSLATION

FROM: MINISTRY OF WAR  
TO : MMIA

REF : 219005/II  
DATE: 5 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Italian Military Units in VENEZIA GIULIA

See 49

In letter 215406/II dated 13/7/45, I drew your attention to problems regarding Italian Military Units in VENEZIA GIULIA.

The solution of said problems (especially for units which are under the jurisdiction of the JUGOSLAV Government) is of permanent interest.

Therefore I beg you to kindly inform me of your decisions on the matter.

*Follow 42, 43, 44*  
*Ref.*

(Signed) The Minister

Translated by: WH  
Typed by : WS 07 Sep 45

- GSO 1
- GSO 2 (D)
- GSO 2 (S)
- GSO 2 (W)
- GSO 2 (L)
- GSO 3 (S)
- GSO 3 (Orbit)
- GSO 3 (I)

DATE: 8/7/9

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TRANSLATION

42

From: M.of.W.  
To: M.M.I.A.

Date: 23/8/45  
Ref: 6385/Sit.

Subject: Units of the Italian Army stationed in the Venezia-Giulia.

Answer to letter SD/34/2 dated 7/8/1945.

No unit of the Italian Army appears to be at present stationed in the Venezia Giulia and precisely in the territory ~~limited~~ <sup>ad</sup> to the west ~~of~~ the following line referred to the map at 1:200.000: M. Mangart (C7461)- P.so del Predil (C6859)- M. Canin (C5752)- M. Guarda (C5758)- C 5246- C 5440- M.Mia (C 5937)- C 7532- Corso del T.Indrio sino a C 5404- C 5303- H 5598- H 5497- H 5695- H 5789- H 5585- H 5686- H 5784- H 5282-

The following Territorial organisations, have been foreseen ~~but~~ not yet formed:

- Trieste Military District
- Pola Military District
- Gorizia Military District
- 503 Artillery Directorate Trieste
- 504 Pola Artillery detached Section
- 616 Transport Delegation Trieste.

R. ERRERA. Cpl

(Sgd) Giorgio Liuzzi 5136

SD/34/2	DATE: 08/8/45
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2d Ind to I LFSC, AC (MMIA) SD/132/1, dtd August 1945, subj: Italian Army personnel in N.E. Italy and Jugoslavia

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2d Ind

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RHF/ljn

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, APO 512, 13 August 1945

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394  
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)

1441

- 1. No trace of subject letter can be found in this headquarters.
- 2. Request an additional copy be forwarded direct to this headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

*R. H. Frese*

R. H. FRESE  
Major, AGD  
Asst Adjutant General



F35

*Letter to  
Copies sent  
15/8 RHC*

- GSO 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 2 (Ops) *X*
- GSO 2 (SD) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 2 (W) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 2 (L) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 3 (SD) *X*
- GSO 3 (Orbat) \_\_\_\_\_
- GSO 3 (I) \_\_\_\_\_

MMIA - 'G'
FILE: SD/132/1
DATE: 11/15/6

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**SUBJECT: Italian Army Units - VENONIA GULIA**

**LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MILIA)**

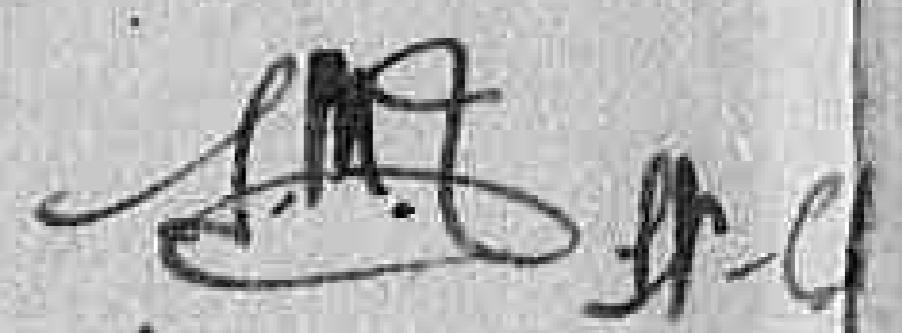
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7 AUG 45

**TO : MINISTER OF WAR**

**Will you please state what units of the presently constituted Italian Army are now in the Venonia Giulia area.**

*See F 40 + 42*



**Major General,  
MILIA.**

*JW*

*R/8/8*

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A.F.H.Q

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SUBJECT: Italian Army personnel in N.E. ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC (MMIA)

See to 58

SD/132/1

2 Aug. 45

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TO : AFHQ  
through HQ ALLIED COMMISSION

It would be appreciated if a reply could be given to MMIA letter SD/132/1, subject as above, dated 20 July 45.

*L.M. Ingledew*  
Major General  
MMIA

WS

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TO: AFHQ

8252/EC

3 August 1945

See F.39  
+ 41.

FROM: HQ Allied Commission.

Forwarded.

For the Chief Commissioner:

*[Signature]*  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Italian Army personnel in  
NE ITALY and JUGOSLAVIA

See to 53

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC (MCLA)

SD/152/1

20 July 45

TO : A.F.H.Q. (Two copies)  
through HQ Allied Commission.

1. Attached herewith is copy of letter received from Italian War Ministry.
2. This letter asks for entry of Italian Military personnel into
  - (a) ABE territory NE ITALY; and
  - (b) Jugoslav territory NE ITALY

I would be grateful for your decision on the manner in which I should reply to the War Ministry.

See 50. See F 34 + 41

*L. Browning*

Major-General,  
MCLA.

ra

*A/P S-1  
V Aug  
Michael  
Bryant*

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R20/7.

AFHQ (through HQ AC)  
It would be appreciated if a reply could be given to move letter F135.  
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Extract from Major BAUMANN's Log for 16 - 17 - 18 July

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Col LOMBARDI

13. Italian Units in VENEZIA GIULIA : discussed contents of War Minister's letter of 13 July, 215406/II. The situation may be briefly summed up as follows:
- (a) At the time of the Armistice there were a number of Italian Army ests and installations EAST of the ISONZO River. These included, mil districts, depots, hosps, commissariat stores, V&R depots etc. All these installations were staffed by mil and civilian personnel.
  - (b) It is not known now, either by the War Ministry or by Territorial HQ UDINE,
    - (i) whether above buildings are still standing or what they are being used for,
    - (ii) whether there are any Italian Army records, stores or materials still in the buildings,
    - (iii) what the situation is of the personnel, mil and civil, left behind at the time of the Armistice.
  - (c) War Ministry request :
    - (i) authority to make recce of above property to find out the present position;
    - (ii) decision as to future of the various ests and installations;
    - (iii) permission to regularise posn of personnel, i.e. pay arrears owing and transfer back to WEST of ISONZO personnel domiciled outside VENEZIA GIULIA.
  - (d) Problem is in two parts, as affecting
    - (i) Allied A.M.G. territory
    - (ii) Yugoslav controlled territory.

- G -

JW

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TRANSLATION

SD/132/1 (31)

FROM: MINISTRY OF WAR

REF: 215406 /II  
222-5-42

TO: MMIA

Date: 13 July 45

SUBJECT: Italian Units in VENEZIA GIULIA

See F.41. See to 53

As is known, the Military Territorial Command of UDINE has been able to re-establish the Military Territorial organisation only within the boundaries of the Province of UDINE.

There are, however, existing to the east of the said Province, numerous Italian Military Units, containing Italian Military and civilian personnel, who, after making great sacrifices during the period of German occupation, have waited in vain for their liberation and a termination of their sufferings.

Communications received from the Directorate of Artillery at TRIESTE and the conscription office at FIUME, request the intervention of this Ministry in defining the situation of the existing units and for a settling of the disposal of their personnel.

Regarding as necessary, a speedy conclusion of the critical situation in which the said personnel find themselves, I beg the MMIA to consider the possibility of:-

- Granting authority to the Military Territorial Command of UDINE, in accordance with the local Allied Command of providing for (in the most convenient manner) the said units, in the zone which comes under Allied Military Jurisdiction;
- Obtaining the consent of the JUGOSLAV authorities for the transfer (in accordance with orders to be laid down by the Military Territorial Command of UDINE) to the west of the ISONZO, of military and civilian personnel situated in Territory at present under the jurisdiction of the JUGOSLAV Government.

I attach herewith a list of Italian Military Territorial Units existing prior to the Armistice, and situated to the east of the ISONZO.

MMIA-C  
SD/132/1  
DATE 17/7

(Signed) S. JACINI  
The Minister

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650 2 (1)  
650 2 (2)  
650 2 (3)  
650 2 (4)  
650 2 (5)  
650 2 (6)

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Translated by: ?

Typed by : ws 17 July 45

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See 146  
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
Gabinetto - Ufficio II

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ELENCO ENTI MIL. TERR. ITALIANI DISLOCATI AD EST DELL'ISONZO

Distretto Mil. di Gorizia  
Distretto Mil. di Trieste  
Distretto Mil. di Pola  
Deposito 12° rgt. fanteria - Trieste  
Deposito 23° rgt. fanteria - Gorizia  
Deposito 9° rgt. alpini - Gorizia  
Deposito 10° rgt. art. G. a F. - Trieste  
Deposito 6° rgt. art. divis. - Gorizia  
Deposito 5° rgt. autieri - Trieste  
Ospedale Militare di - Trieste  
Ospedale Militare di - Gorizia  
Direzione artiglieria di - Trieste  
Sezione staccata art. di - Pola  
Panificio militare di - Gorizia  
Magazzino V.C.F. e Fr. - Trieste  
Magazzino V.C.F. - Fiume  
Centro rif. quadr. del Carso - Sesana  
Ufficio leva di - Fiume  
Ufficio leva di - Gorizia



Distretto Mil. di Pola

- Deposito 12° rgt. fanteria - Trieste
- Deposito 23° rgt. fanteria - Gorizia
- Deposito 9° rgt. alpini - Gorizia
- Deposito 10° rgt. art. G. a F. - Trieste
- Deposito 6° rgt. art. divis. - Gorizia
- Deposito 5° rgt. autieri - Trieste
- Ospedale Militare di - Trieste
- Ospedale Militare di - Gorizia
- Direzione artiglieria di - Trieste
- Sezione staccata art. di - Pola
- Panificio militare di - Gorizia
- Magazzino V.C.F. e Fr. - Trieste
- Magazzino V.C.F. - Fiume
- Centro rif. quadr. del Carso - Sesana
- Ufficio leva di - Fiume
- Ufficio leva di - Gorizia

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FROM : MINISTRY OF WAR  
TO : MMIA

REF : 215406  
222-5-42/II  
DATE : 13 July 45

SUBJECT: Italian Units in VENEZIA GIULIA

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As is known, the Military Territorial Command of UDINE has been able to re-establish the Military Territorial organization only within the boundaries of the Province of UDINE.

There are, however, existing to the East of the said Province, numerous Italian Military Units containing Italian military and civilian personnel who, after making great sacrifices during the period of German occupation, have waited in vain for their liberation and a termination of their sufferings.

Communications received from the Directorate of Military at TRIESTE and the conscription office at FRIESE request the intervention of this Ministry in defining the situation of the existing units and for a settling of the disposal of their personnel.

Regarding as necessary a speedy conclusion of the critical situation in which the said personnel find themselves, I beg MMIA to consider the possibility of:-

- Granting authority to the Military Territorial Command of UDINE, in accordance with the Local Allied command of providing for (in the most convenient manner) the said units, in the sense which comes under Allied Military Jurisdiction;
- Obtaining the consent of the Yugoslav authorities for the transfer (in accordance with orders to be laid down by the Military Territorial Command of UDINE) to the west of MONZO, of military and civilian personnel situated in territory at present under the jurisdiction of the Yugoslav Government.

I attach herewith a list of Italian Military Territorial Units existing prior to the Armistice, and situated to the East of the MONZO.

(Signed)

S. JACINI  
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The Minister

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Subject:- Progress Report.

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M.M.I.A. L.O.,  
N.W. Italy,  
MILAN.

S.D.

Phone: MILAN 13988.

NWI/3/G.

12th. July, 1945.

To:- Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

1. Herewith a progress report from 1 Territorial HQ TURIN.
2. There are many points of interest and concern, and as Capt CLARK is still in hospital, Capt O'DONNELL is proceeding to TURIN on 13 JULY to take over as M.M.I.A. L.O. TURIN. On his recovery, Capt CLARK will join this office for a period.

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Maj.  
Senior MMIA LO,  
N.W. Italy.

Copy to:- MMIA LO, TURIN.  
MMIA LO, o/o HQ 60 Sub Area.  
Capt O'DONNELL.

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Territorial H.Q., Turin.

P.M. 218, June 1944, and of Units

Ref. No 243/ord.  
Subject: Establishment of Turin Territorial H.Q. and of Units

under command.

TO: Military North West Italy.

The first elements of this H.Q. found, upon their arrival in Turin on May 7th, that the Piedmont Partisan Organizations had taken over all Military H.Q.s, Districts, Depots and Bases. They were reluctant to being substituted by elements coming from the South and to transfer to this H.Q. the Territorial Command.

The question was a delicate one, with complex political reflexes. Careful handling was essential in order to prevent friction and incidents; it was not possible to take over complete command at once, in antagonism with the Piedmont Partisan Formations. It was however possible to gradually place elements of this H.Q. into the corresponding offices run by the Partisans and so lead to a gradual taking over of authority.

The Partisan H.Q.s and Organizations officially ceased to function on June 7th; the only offices which continued to work were for the closing of the way and complicated matters relating to past activity of Partisans and the accommodation and welfare of the personnel.

At present the H.Q. has taken over completely all its attributes and functions in all the territory over which it has jurisdiction and everything is established quite normally.

The aforesaid facts have, however, brought about some serious difficulties: - the organization of the District H.Q.s, of the Depots and various Directorates has suffered a serious delay. Not all of them have as yet been able to begin to function; some of them are still being set up. The fact that some of the District and Depot Premises, having remained abandoned, were completely stripped by the Partisans and by Civilians, of material, furniture, and more serious still, of the files, contributed to the delay; - much of the military material, which was abandoned or left in the possession of Partisans or Civilians, has been lost, because it has been put to other uses, sold on the market, unlawfully taken away, etc.;

- the Partisan Organizations have occupied many of the Barracks that are at present efficient, and still occupy them with firing Offices ("stralcio"), Partisan Transport Cooperative units (of the People's Police (now a part of the Public Safety Guards)). Some of these Barracks are still opposed to returning the military depots occupied by them, with consequent difficulty.

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- the Partisan Organizations have taken over many Military Vehicles, with the firm intention of keeping them in the situation will have become normal again. In order to set up the Partisan Military Regional Command, the authorities them to set up Civilian Transport Cooperatives with the vehicles in their possession. Consequently nearly all the efficient Military Lorries existent in this area cannot be salvaged or reclaimed.

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The ~~am~~ drawbacks badly influence the salvage operations of the Military Material to be found in the area under the jurisdiction of this H.Q. This includes large quantities of material, spread and dispersed in many places which, amongst other things, spread or less under no surveillance. The material includes, are more large quantities of ammunitions and explosives, of types as yet unidentified;

- Engineers and Artillery stores in large quantities and mostly in good conditions;

- Large quantities of Barracks stores and clothing, the value of which totals several hundreds of millions lire. It should be necessary to reconnoitre this material, set it into order, collect it in places where it can be easily looked after; and pilfering and stealing.

Units under our command are doing everything possible in this direction, with the slender means at their disposal. But they run into great difficulties; shortage of guard personnel and consequent necessity of having to use Sworn Guards (Civilian), shortage of proper premises, opposition by the present keepers (Fascist Organizations, Civilian), firms which had been given the raw materials for work for which they had been contracted), and above all shortage of means of transport.

Because of the fact that the motorvehicles have not been reclaimed, and whilst awaiting the arrival of the M/T Transport Units foreseen by the H.Q., this H.Q. is almost completely without motorvehicles which can count on a few lorries, more or less in running order, operations but also for the absolute necessities of dependent Units (amongst other things, the rationing of Units located outside Turin).

It therefore appears necessary to obtain the help of the Allied authorities for:  
- decisive action against present holders,  
- temporary allotment to this H.Q. of at least 10 Lorries and 6 Passenger Vehicles.

As for the salvage of motorvehicles it would be opportune that:  
- the necessities of the Partisan Transport Cooperatives be subordinated to Military necessities;

- some break-down trucks (carri goni) be made available to this H.Q. and, above all, an allotment of tyres and inner tubes be made or authority be granted for the direct purchase from the market, so as to place the few available vehicles into running order, some of them being off the road because of lack of Tyres, and the ones which will be salvaged in the future.

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- Territorial H.Q.

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It therefore appears necessary to obtain the help of the Allied authorities for:

- decisive action against present holders,
- temporary allotment to this H. of at least 4 Lorries and 6 Passenger Vehicles.

As for the salvage of Motorvehicles it would be opportune that:

- the necessities of the Partisan Transport Cooperatives be subordinated to military necessities;
- some breakdown trucks (carri gru) be made available to this H. for the movement of non-travelable vehicles;
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As for the situation of the single Units we point out the following:

- Territorial H.Q.  
has no appropriate premises. It is at present located in three privately owned villas, unsuitable for converting into offices. Its natural location, the "Palazza Ili Comandi", is at present occupied by Allied H.Q.s. Amongst the various solutions possible we point out: the smaller of the two "Ili Comandi" buildings, at present the location of 151 Sub Area which could perhaps also be accommodated in the larger building; the two villas located on the corner of Via Confienza and Corso Operte, at present the location of the Allied Police, and, at least a section of, the nearby Artillery square or the Artillery and Engineers "Quadrangle d'applicazione".

is without Staff Cars, the ones that have existed it not having as yet arrived; impossibility therefore of carrying out communications and inspections, which are nevertheless important to out efficient-ly and with speed all command operations in the sector.

- Military Districts: have already begun to function.  
- Depots: the H. Unit has been formed; they are not however yet in a position to function.

Medical Corps Establishments:

- all working almost normally.
- the Hospitals are crowded by patients coming from various sources, which causes difficulty in functioning and discipline:
  - regular Military
  - regular Partisans
  - Prisoners of War (German and Republican Military); in certain areas they have to be kept in Military Rationed Hospitals because there are no Civilian Rationed Hospitals, and also because the Allied authorities have not moved them to the premises made or destined especially to house such personnel.
  - the Arti, Novara, Baveno and the Novara Convalescent Home are without motor ambulances.
  - there is difficulty in taking care of the Civilian Rationed Hospitals as far as rations are concerned; causes: insufficient allotments are being made by the Provincial Supply (Alimentazione) Sections, difficulties are being encountered in buying straight from source of production, also because of the lack of transportation. Results: difficulty in feeding the patients, disciplinary consequences.

Commissary Corps Establishments:

- Some of them are still being realized: the 1st Supply Unit, the Military Bakery, the Special Baracks Stores Depot, the Italian Material Salvage Depot, the Rep Ir Shop.
- the Establishments foreseen by the present instructions for the Issue of Rations to Italian Units have still to be set up: the Bulk Depot, the regional Food and Storage Distributing Depots; for this purpose the Allied authorities should supply the necessary lorries to transport the rations necessary to set up and supply the Bulk Depot from some unloading port;
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Artillery Establishments:

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- Turin Arsenal: already working; it would be opportune that the Allied authorities also considered some work so that it could put all its equipment and stores in order.



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Engineers Establishments:

- Engineers Works Directorate and Services: working.
- the Turin Engineers Stores Depot: is occupied directly by the Allied Authorities; it should be necessary to have the Depot run by the Italian Military authorities.
- Allied Military authorities often directly employ civilian firms with repair work to be done to Barracks now being repaired and swindling, it should be necessary that all work to be carried out in the Barracks be done so through the Engineers Works and Services Section. This Establishment would see to the immediate allotment of the necessary work, stimulating regular contracts with honest and trusted firms and would also check the actual work.
- instances have cropped up of Allied authorities, in certain localities in Piedmont, releasing Barracks to various Establishments, including civilian ones, on their own initiative. It would be opportune that such use of Military Premises be first arranged with the Engineers Works Directorate, giving precedence to military necessities.
- the carrying out of repair work to Barracks is delayed because of the difficulty of finding the necessary materials.

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AF Establishments:

the AF Repair Directorate and the 6th Efficient Vehicle Park has  
so far been formed; for their accommodation it is necessary that the  
Cavalli Barracks in Corso Vittorio Emanuele II be completely evacuated,  
it being at present partially occupied by Partisan Organizations;  
the Administrative Transport Company and the Repairs Unit have not  
yet arrived.

Sgt E. Di Palermo, G.O.C.,

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Subject:- Establishment of Territorial Layout

LAND FORCES SUB COMM, AC (MILIA)

SD/34

4 July 45

TO: MILIA IO N.W. ITALY,  
C/o. 2 District.

Reference your 2D IO/1/SD/2 dated 21 June enclosing a progress report by G.O.C. Territorial HQ.

1. Gen. MARRAS' report has been carefully studied and his difficulties are appreciated.
2. The four questions raised for MILIA attention in the final paragraph of the report may be answered as follows:-

(a) Issue of vehicles and fuels and increase of WE as regards Vehicles.

It is not proposed to consider an increase in the vehicle WE at least until units are made up to present vehicle entitlement, which depends on the progress of recovery of Italian Army vehicles in the North. Any increase in authorised WE would be accompanied by a similar increase in fuel entitlement. Also see MILIA letter Q 5 dated 27 June 45.

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Lt-Col. G.S.  
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SUBJECT: Functions and Responsibilities of Italian Territorial HQs and Italian Adm Div HQs

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C. (MMLA)

SN/Y

29 June 45

TO : (SEE DISTRIBUTION)

1. The object of this letter is to restate and clarify the functions and responsibilities of Italian Army Territorial HQs and Adm Division HQs with reference to MFA letter TS/C/12 of 26 Dec 44.

2. The layout of Territorial HQs is attached at Appx "A", Appx "B" shows the org and allotment of Adm Div HQs.

3. Adm Division HQs were formed in the first instance to maintain and administer on the Italian side, US-ITI, BR-ITI and ITI-ITI under command of British and American Armies, Base Sections and Districts to whom they were directly responsible and part of whose staff they may be said to be. When Combat Groups were formed and arrived in Army Areas Adm Div HQs allotted to Armies also administered them on the Italian side. The channel of command on the Italian side is normally - Unit - Adm Div HQ - Territorial HQ - War Ministry, ROME, but in actual fact since Territorial HQs did not function in Army Areas before the cessation of hostilities, Adm Div HQs with Armies often dealt direct with HQMT. For the above reason also they maintained and administered ITI-ITI Units in forward areas.

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Since the Commanding General of a Territorial HQ is the equivalent of a Corps Commander he is delegated certain powers (especially of disciplinary matters) that are not accorded to a Divisional Commander.

5. Whilst Appx WE<sup>5119</sup> and WP<sup>5119</sup> which are attached for ease of reference to MMTA letter TS/G/12 of 26 Dec 44 are in no way altered or affected by the cessation of operations it should be noted that Adm Div HQs with Armies are now for the first time located in areas where Territorial Div HQs are installed and have started into full function. The channel of Command - Unit - Adm Div - Territorial HQ - War Ministry, ROME - is now the correct one for them on all purely Italian adm matters and especially A/GI matters.

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6. When the need for Adm Div HQ ceases owing to a considerable reduction or disbandment of service tps (US-ITI, ER-ITI categories) Adm Div HQs will most likely first become an incr to Terr. HQs and then in a later phase be dissolved and their functions for all matters will pass over to Italian Territorial HQs. Until such time Adm Div HQs must continue to administer Italian Service Tps under Comd US or Br Formations.

*H.A.C. Howard*  
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 for Major General  
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TERRITORIAL HQ LAYOUT

DESIGNATION	REGION	MILITARY DISTRICT HQ's
Terr. HQ No. 1 TURIN	PIEMONTE less CUNEO and MONDOVI	TURIN, IVREA, NOVARA, VERCELLI, ..... CHIVASSO, PINEROLO, CASALE, ALESSANDRIA, TORTONA
Terr. HQ No. 2 GENOA	LIGURIA plus CUNEO and MONDOVI	GENOA, CUNEO, MONDOVI, SAVON. ....
Terr. HQ No. 3 MILAN	LOMBARDY	MILAN, SONDRIO, COMO, VARESE, ..... BERGAMO, MONZA, TREVIGLIO, BRESCIA, LODI, PAVIA, CREMONA, MANTOVA
Terr. HQ No. 4 BOLZANO	VENEZIA TRIENTINA	BOLZANO, TRENTO, BELLUNO, VICENZA, ..... VERONA
Terr. HQ No. 5 UDINE	VENEZIA	UDINE, SACTLE, GORIZIA, TREVISO, PADOVA, TRIESTE, VENEZIA, ROVIGO, POLA, .....
Terr. HQ No. 6 BOLOGNA	EMILIA - MARCHE	BOLOGNA, PIACENZA, PARMA, REGGIO-EMILIA, FERRAR MODENA, RAVENNA, FORLI, PESARO, ANCONA
Terr. HQ No. 7 FLORENCE	TUSCANY	FLORENCE, APUANIA, LUCCA, PISTOLA, PISA, ..... AREZZO, SIENA, GROSSETO
Terr. HQ No. 8 ROME	LAZIO - UMBRIA ABRUZZI - SARDINIA	ROME, PERUGIA, MACERATA, ORVIETO, SPOLETO, ASCOLI PICENO, TERAMO, VITERBO, AQUILA, CHIETI, SULMONA, FROSINONE, LITTORIA, CAGLIARI, ORISTANO, SASSARI, .....
Terr. HQ No. 9 BARI	APULIA - LUCANIA	BARI, CAMPOBASSO, FOGGIA, BARLETTA, POTENZA, TARANTO, LECCE, .....
Terr. HQ No. 10 NAPLES	CAMPANIA - CALABRIA	NAPLES, CASERTA, BENEVENTO, AVERSA, NOLA, AVELLINO, SALERNO, COSENZA, CATANZARO, REGGIO CALABRIA, .....
Terr. HQ No. 11 PALERMO	SICILY	PALERMO, TRAPANI, MESSINA, ENNA, CATANIA, CAITANISSETTA, AGRIGENTO, RAGUSA, SIRACUSA, ..

PENDIX "A" MIA Letter  
 SE/34 dated 29 Jun 45

TERRITORIAL HQ LAYOUT

	MILITARY DISTRICT HQ's	TOTAL (99)	NUMBER OF REGIMENTAL DEPOTS (RECORD CENTRES)
MONDOVI	TURIN, IVREA, NOVARA, VERCELLI, ..... CHIVASSO, PINEROLO, CASALE, ALESSANDRIA, TORTONA	9	10
MONDOVI	GENOA, CUNEO, MONDOVI, SAVON. ....	4	4
	MILAN, SCNDRIO, COMO, VARESE, ..... BERGAMO, MONZA, TREVIGLIO, BRESCIA, LODI, PAVIA, CREMONA, MANTOVA	12	6
TRINIA	BOLZANO, TRENTO, BELLUNO, VICENZA, ..... VERONA	5	6
	UDINE, SACILE, GORIZIA, TREVISO, PADOVA, TRIESTE, VENEZIA, ROVIGO, FOLA, .....	9	4
	BOLOGNA, PIACENZA, PARMA, REGGIO-EMILIA, FERRARA.. MODENA, RAVENNA, FORLI, PESARO, ANCONA	10	9
	FLORENCE, APUANIA, LUCCA, PISTOIA, PISA, ..... AREZZO, SIENA, GROSSETO	8	4
TRINIA	ROME, FERUGIA, MACERATA, ORVIETO, SPOLETO, ASCOLI PICENO, TERAMO, VITERBO, AQUILA, CHIETI, SULMONA, FROSINONE, LITTORIA, CAGLIARI, ORISTANO, SASSARI, .....	16	20
IA	BARI, CAMPOBASSO, FOGGIA, BARIETTA, POTENZA, TARANTO, LECCE, .....	7	10
ABRIA	NAPLES, CASERTA, BENEVENTO, AVERSA, NOLA, AVELLINO, SALERNO, COSENZA, CATANZARO, REGGIO CALABRIA, .....	10	14
	PAIERMO, TRAPANI, MESSINA, ENNA, CATANIA, CALTANISSETTA, AGRIGENTO, RAGUSA, SIRACUSA, .....	9	3



ORG AND ALLOTMENT - ADM DIV HQ'S

DESIGNATION	LOCATION	FUNCTION	ALLIED HQ	ITALIAN HQ	ITALIA LO
HQ 205 Adm Div	NAPLES	US-ITIS under Comd	USAAFSC/MFO	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO (c/o PENS)
HQ 209 Adm Div	CESENA	BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTONE (A)	Terr HQ 6 BOLOGNA	LO DISTONE
HQ 210 Adm Div		US-ITIS under comd	FIFTH ARMY	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	Senior LO ARMY
HQ Italian Command 212	NAPLES	US-ITIS under Comd	P.B.S.	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES
{ HQ 227 Adm Div Eastern Det HQ 227 Div	NAPLES	BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTHREE (& RAAC)	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	LO DISTHREE
	BARI		" " "	DISTHREE (Eastern Territory)	Terr HQ 9 BARI
HQ 228 Adm Div	UDINE	" " "	EIGHTH ARMY	Terr HQ 5 UDINE	Senior LO EIGHTH AR
HQ 230 Adm Div	FLORENCE	" " "	DISTONE (B)	Terr HQ 7 FLORENCE	LO FLORENCE
HQ 231 Adm Div	LONATO (See Note C)	" " "	FIVE ARMY BR INCR (See Note D)	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	LO FIVE A BR INCR

(SEE NOTES ON NEXT PAGE)

ORG AND ALLOTMENT - ADM DIV HQ'SAPPENDIX "B" TO MMLA LETTER  
SD/34 DATED JUNE 1945

FUNCTION	ALLIED HQ	ITALIAN HQ	MMLA LO	REMARKS
US-ITIS under Comd	USAAFSC/MTO	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES (c/o FENSOUTH)	Deals with Adm of all Italian Air Force Personnel assigned to USAAFSC/MTO.
BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTONE (A)	Terr HQ 6 BOLOGNA	LO DISTONE	This is one of two HQs under comd DISTONE. See note (A)
US-ITIS under comd	FIFTH ARMY	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	Senior LO FIFTH ARMY	All US-ITIS in FIVE ARMY. Terr HQs 1, 2, 3, and 6 may also be concerned.
US-ITIS under Comd	P.B.S.	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES	This Hq has three Zone HQs and ten Group HQs. MMLA has LO's at P.NBASE (LEGHORN), FLORENCE and GENOA.
BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTHREE (& RAAC)	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	LO DISTHREE	} There are no BR-ITIS in SARDINIA or SICILY.
"	" DISTHREE (Eastern Territory)	Terr HQ 9 BARI	Senior LO BARI (c/o 54 Area)	
"	" EIGHTH ARMY	Terr HQ 5 UDINE	Senior LO EIGHTH ARMY	Terr. HQs 4 and 6 would be concerned regarding this area.
"	" DISTONE (B)	Terr HQ 7 FLORENCE	LO FLORENCE	See Note (B) at foot.
"	" FIVE ARMY BR INCR (See Note D)	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	LO FIVE ARMY BR INCR	It has been agreed by AFHQ that this HQ pass to comd 2 DIST together with a proportion of the units it administers. The Senior MMLA LO N.W. ITALY is at MILAN and has offices at TURIN and GENOA. He works with 2 DIST and IV Corps on the Allied side and Terr. HQs 1, 2, and 3 at TURIN, GENOA and MILAN.

APPENDIX "B" (CONT'D)

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NOTES:

- (A) 209 Adm Div HQ administers all BR-ITI Units in that part of DISTONE Area in the Province of MANTOVA.
- (B) 230 Adm Div HQ administers the remaining BR-ITI Units in DISTONE Area (i.e.
- (C) It has been recommended by MMIA that 231 Adm Div HQ moves to a location near
- (D) Br Incr 5 Army ceased to exist w.e.f. 23 June 45. BR-ITI Units formerly under control of 231 Div (which passes to comd 2 DIST) if West of the Western bdy of the Province of MANTOVA, REGGIO EMILIA, and North of the Northern bdy of TOSCANA; and by either comd 1 DIST) if East and South of that boundary.

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APPENDIX "E" to MMIA  
letter IS/G/12 of 26  
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FUNCTIONS OF TERRITORIAL HQ'S, DISTRICTS AND DEPOTS

1. Territorial HQs

- (a) represent authority of War Ministry and General Staff throughout area of responsibility.
- (b) A Branch/G-1 matters and discipline beyond the scope of lower fmHQs (incl tps under Allied operational comd.)
- (c) responsibility for safe custody and accounting of all Italian mil stores.
- (d) reps of services attached to the staff are responsible for org of services in the area.
- (e) Org and op of Districts, Depots, hosps and other mil ests.
- (f) Supervision and org of call-up and demobilization.
- (g) Administration and discipline of Italian I.S.Tps.

2. Districts constitute the mil documentation and adm centres through which the citizen enters or leaves the Army. Essential functions are: -

- (a) machinery of conscription on calling up of classes
- (b) demobilization and recall of reserves
- (c) assistance to families of men killed, wounded or taken prisoner
- (d) payments of allowances to dependants of offr and Ors **5114**
- (e) records of junior reserve offr

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(b) Clothing and arming the soldier when he is first called up; vice versa on demobilization

(c) forming personnel into units when required, incl units for Allies

(d) records of all arms and eqpt issued to units

(e) holding stocks of clothing, unit and personal eqpt etc

(f) regimental adm and records

NOTE  
functions at 3 (b) & (c) are being performed by the Allies under present circumstances. The clothing referred to in serial 3 (c) is known as ITI clothing.



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ALPHADIX "F" to MMIA letter  
TS/G/12 of 26 Dec 44

FUNCTIONS OF ITALIAN ADM DIV HQ'S

- (a) Org of sups of all kinds (rations, clothing, POL, and sups, accn stores) for all Italian tps under command of the parent Allied fmn, with the assistance of MMIA LO and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA. In all such matters the Adm Div HQ will deal direct with the Italian War Ministry, keeping the MMIA LO informed, or direct with parent Allied fmn, through MMIA LO.
- (b) Distributions of sups of all kinds to all Italian tps under command of the parent Allied fmn under the direction of MMIA LO, and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA.
- (c) Discipline and welfare and all purely Italian Army Adm matters for all tps placed under its command. On all such matters the Adm HQ will deal with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ and NOT direct with the War Ministry.
- (d) Maintenance of all ITI-ITI tps under its command by arrangement with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ when directed by MMIA.
- (e) Function as the recognised Italian Mil Authority with whom the parent Allied fmn will deal on all local matters concerning the Italian tps under its comd.
- (f) COC Italian Adm HQ is the rep of the War Ministry in the area under his command and is there to be consulted on and give every assistance in all matters of major issue.

NOTE:--For purely Italian Adm matters, the channel of comd is :

Unit - Adm Div HQ - Territorial HQ - War Ministry. The Territorial HQ is particularly concerned in this case with all A/GI matters; Adm and discipline of personnel and control of funds and stores. It will NOT interfere with the org of sups to tps under Allied comd not move or transfer such personnel without prior agreement of the parent Allied fmn and/or MMIA. Should tps of an Adm Div HQ be spread over more than one region, the channel of comd will be :

Adm Div HQ to Territorial HQ in which the HQ of the Adm Div is situated.

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SUBJECT : Territorial Hqs

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MMIA)

SD/34

27 June 45

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TO : MMIA LO No. 2 District

*folio 23A*

Ref your 2 DIG/1/SD/2 of 21 June 45.

Attached herewith, is HQ Territorial's (MILANO) letter 03/73 di prot dated 18 June 45, returned as requested.

*[Signature]*  
Lt. Col. GS,  
MMIA.

jm/ 27/6/45

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Subject :- Establishment of Territorial Lay Out.

MMIA L.O.

o/o 2 District.

21 Jun. 45.

H.Q. M.M.I.A.

*Johns 25 refers*  
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1. 3 Territorial H.Q. progress report is forwarded herewith for information. Please return after perusal, as no second copy is held in this office.
2. Our present policy in N.W.Italy is first to establish the full machinery of a Territorial H.Q. bearing in mind that 5th Army still commands and that as the area has not been handed back to the Italian Government, the War Ministry can only give orders on 'A' matters, and on policy agreed with Fifth Army; for instance the publication of proclamations has to be agreed by Fifth Army etc..
3. Meanwhile storage space for future recovery and Commissariat stores is being assigned and prepared - and increasingly used.

*in F. 28.*

*J. Bird*

Maj.

Senior MMIA L.O.

N.W.Italy.

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REF: SD/34
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TRANSLATION

FROM: Milan Military Territorial Command

REF: 03/73

TO: Major Bird, M.M.I.A., L.O.

DATE: 18 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Situation state.

The III Military Territorial Command, which reached Milan about a month ago, has commenced functioning.

The H.Q.s of the Military Districts under command and the Depot H.Q.s have reached their locations and commenced their activities, mainly in respect of the operations of:-

- sending to concentration camps the regular army officers and NCOs who belonged to the republican army;
- screening of troops under arms at the time of the armistice, ascertaining their behaviour, and regularising their military position;
- reconstruction and bringing up to date of the rolls of all personnel of the various classes who have obligation to armed service;
- enlistment of partisans in the Army;
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SITUATION OF THE DISTRICTS AND DEPOTS UNDER COMMAND:

Milan Military District: losses in horses, mules, stores, armouries, and part of the service record documents, the latter being looked after at Abbiategrasso and now taken back to the H.Q.;

The District's premises are in good condition; the service personnel have been screened.

Pavia Military District: nothing to report.

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Varese Military District: functioning in the part of the building not occupied by the English Red Cross Mission.

Monza Military District: a political prisoner camp is functioning at the old location (Pastrengo Barracks - Via Lecco) H.Q. and some of the offices are functioning in the Villa Redaelli (Via Azzone Visconti); the remainder in the "Asilo Umberto 1st. Barracks" (Vicolo Corrobiolo).

Como Military District: files found in good order.

Sondrio Military District: functioning in other location, its former location, the "Gucciardi" barracks, being used as a prison for internees.

Bergamo Military District: is in billeting difficulties as the "dei Mille Barracks" where it is at present functioning is largely used as a salvaged material park. The former H.Q. of the District, the "Colleoni" Barracks, is occupied by the "Legnano" Group H.Q. Materials have been stolen, all service records have been destroyed, files in a serious state of disorder.

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✓ Treviglio Military District: building in disorder and without equipment, water or light. No files or documents exist. The local authorities have advanced half a million for renovation of the premises.

✓ Cremona Military District: documents and materials tampered with and partly destroyed. Two offices transferred to Casalbuttano in July 1944 are in working order and will return to H.Q.

✓ Mantova Military District: functioning in "Randazzo" barracks in good order.

✓ Brescia Military District: returned in the early days of the current month from Sarezzo to Brescia ("Goito" Barracks, its location).



Files and equipment in order. Part of the Barracks is occupied by a battalion of the 68th. Infantry which will be transferred to Bergamo.

67th. Infantry Regiment Depot - Como: (S. Chiara Barracks) (includes also 77th. and 78th. Infantry Depots). The files and materials formerly existent in said depot and that of Chiari (77th. Infantry) have been destroyed and taken away. At Bergamo (78th. Infantry) the files have been partly destroyed; 7000 weapons and barracks stores materials have been salvaged.

27th. Field Artillery Regiment Depot - Milan: the files and documents have been taken away and a small quantity recovered from inside Milan. (has absorbed the depots of: 30th. Field Arty., Brescia - 58th. Field Arty., Milan - 17th. Field Arty., Novara - and 59th. Field Arty., Vercelli, about which we are still not in possession of concrete data).

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Savonia Cavalleria Regiment Depot - Somma Lombardo: has been absorbed by the "Genova Cavalleria" Regiment Depot, Rome. We have recovered saddlery materials, documents, relics, and "Officers Club" equipment, materials of the museum for the veterinary and farriery officers school, taken from Pinerolo by the fascists, ~~are~~ stored in the stores and guarded by patriot elements.

3rd. Bersaglieri Regiment Depot - Lodi (Fanfulla Barracks): the barracks has been ransacked at some time in the past; no furniture, water, or light, files and documents have been taken away. There is a very small quantity of artillery and barracks stores materials.

7th. Infantry Regiment Milan, Depot: building, furnishings, files, etc., destroyed by enemy action.

A battalion of the "Legnano" Group is still billeted in the barracks. The depot is being reformed in the premises of the 8th. Infantry (S. Ambrogio).

The practically total lack of means of transport is causing serious difficulties in the functioning of this Command and all the departments under command. The III Military Territorial Command should have on war establishment 10 cars, 60 medium and heavy trucks, and 30 motorcycles. Up to now, however, it has at disposal only 5 serviceable cars, 2 unserviceable cars, 7 trucks and 1 motorcycle.

In view of the really most important needs of transport, salvage, supplies, movements, surveys, inspections, enquiries, etc., of the numerous, widely spread out, and most distant depots, of materials which have been salvaged or are to be salvaged, explosives, etc., I have submitted to the Ministry the necessity of temporarily increasing the vehicle war establishment, bringing it up to at least 30 cars and 120 trucks, and consequently also increasing the petrol allotment from 11,500 kilos to 75,000; the diesel allotment from 4,680 kilos to 30,000; and the oil allotment from 770 kilos to 5,250.

I shall also point out the great scarcity of CC.RR units assigned for the duties of guarding and surveillance, as a result of which the larger part of the existing materials depots cannot be garrisoned by said units, while the III Military Territorial Command, not having other troops at its disposal, is arranging, in part, to employ civilian personnel.



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Another source of trouble is the smallness of the salary (averaging 1,500 - 2000 lire monthly) which is permitted for civilian personnel, which, as is known, forms the larger part of the war establishment allowed for each unit by M.M.I.A. Much larger salaries, with less responsibilities and encumbrances, are offered in civilian life, thus rendering fruitless the search for the required civilian personnel.

In order to obviate the above I have proposed to the War Ministry the concession to such personnel of a cash ration allowance of about 66 lire net daily as is done in Central and Southern Italy.

I would request the kind and urgent attention of M.M.I.A. to eliminate, or at least reduce, the above noted difficulties which obstruct the normal functioning of my command, and to put into effect, as soon as possible, the following measures in favour of this H.Q.:-

- (1) -- issue of the vehicles and fuels to the extent which I have proposed to the Ministry of War;
- (2) -- authorisation to request, when necessary, gummed personnel direct from the I.S. Divisions, the Combat Groups, the Pioneer Regiments where existent, or the M.P.s, in order to ensure the observation of the prohibition of illegal drawing from the various depots and stores
- (3) -- increase of salary in the form indicated for the enlistment of urgently required civilian personnel, taking into consideration also the continually increasing cost of living;
- (4) -- explanations regarding the ex republican troops, bearing in mind the contrasting news and communique which appears in the newspapers of the various centres and do not permit of a common and unified viewpoint.

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Sgd. MARRAS

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O. Danin Cpl.



SUBJECT:- 5 Territorial HQ - Org & Comd

Liaison Officer,  
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.),  
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

5 Territorial HQ,  
UDINE.

MM/129  
20 June 45

Ref my MM/129 dated 12 June, para 4.

1. I am to inform you on behalf of HQ Eighth Army that 5 Territorial HQ may implement ~~at~~ full strength and functions for the remainder of UDINE Province w.e.f. 25 June, i.e., up to the WESTERN Boundary of VENEZIA GIULIA.

2. Personnel of HQ Staff now waiting in PADOVA may therefore arrive in UDINE on 25 June.

*Copies by hand 6/4 Bglawentzen  
to M of W.  
ABC 26/6*

Major,  
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comd. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.  
HQ 201 Sub Area.  
MMIA LO att HQ No.1 District.  
MMIA LO att HQ 226 Div.

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*M of W informed by phone*

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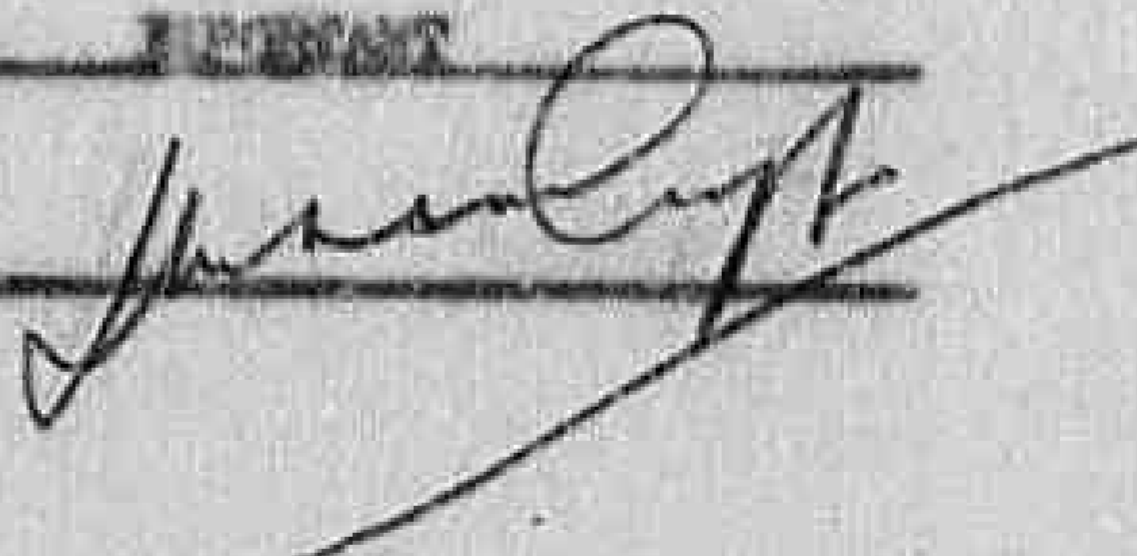
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FOR DIA LO (\*)

IN VIEW OF S ARMY LETTER M/129 DATED 12 JUNE NO FURTHER  
 ACTION ENQUIRED ON OUR SD 2765 OF 14 JUNE (\*) AFTER  
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SUBJECT:- Responsibilities of Italian IV Territorial HQ.

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British Increment, G(SD) Branch,  
HQ FIFTH ARMY.  
Tel : Lightning 98  
177/G(SD)  
14 June 45.

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MMIA.

The following is an extract from a report received from  
50 BIU.

"Finally, there are several dumps in which the ammunition contents are not always safe. In this connection we have again come across the Italian IV Territorial HQ which appears to have an AMGOT Charter by which they may collect Italian arms and ammunition in the area. The latest development in this matter is that the VERONA Section of the IV Territorial HQ has formed a Board of Artillery Officers to inspect ammunition in various dumps at present guarded by FRIULI ICG. This of course would be very useful but as they seem to be working without your authority it would assist FRIULI ICG if you could state exactly what function the IV Territorial HQ has, and what it is permitted to do. AMG FIFTH ARMY probably know some of the answers to this. Messages have been passed at various times to IV Territorial HQ instructing them to get their orders through AMGOT from FIFTH ARMY but up to date they appear not to have done so."

Will you please investigate the responsibilities of IV Territorial HQ.

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Brigadier,  
Deputy Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT: - 5 Territorial HQ - Org and Comd

Liaison Officer,  
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.),  
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/129  
12 June 45

5 Territorial HQ,  
UDINE.

See to. 24-22

1. The Security Control Line NORTH to SOUTH is now as follows :-

AUSTRO-ITALIAN FRONTIER at B 9087 - C 3776 - C 4766 -  
excl Route 13 - C 400250 - C 450220 - C 440150 - C 400150 -  
C 400020 - thence SOUTHWEST to R. TAGLIAMENTO at H 2294 -  
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2. Italian personnel and units may move freely WEST of this line but will NOT cross without authority from HQ Eighth Army.

3. There is no security objection to 5 Territorial HQ implementing full strength and assuming its full powers up to R. TAGLIAMENTO w.e.f. 14 June, provided that the TOIMEZZO Valley is not administered until after 16 June.

4. It is anticipated that w.e.f. 22 June the remainder of UDINE Province will revert to your administration and that after that date the balance of your HQ staff may enter UDINE, and remaining vacancies filled locally.

This will be notified to you as soon as a final decision has been made.

Bj. Cav. 5100

Major,  
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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*By Ca. 15100*

Major,  
MMIA IO, Rear Eighth Army.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comm. AG,  
(M.M.I.A.), R O M B. ✓

HQ 201 Sub Area.

MMIA IO, att HQ 1 District (ref MMIA signal attached).

MMIA IO, att HQ 228 Div.

MMIA IO  
FILE: 10/24  
DATE: 15/6

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15/6.*

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Subject: No. 5 Territorial Command.

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Land Forces Sub Com. AC.

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11 Jun 45.

FO-2A

Reference your letter under SD/34 dated 31 May 45.

see FO-17A

1. Already a large number of civilians in PADUA have had to be displaced to make room for the large number of troops already stationed in the town. Therefore it is not considered desirable that another Italian HQ should be accommodated in the town.

2. It would appear that with part of the HQ in UDINE, no useful purpose would be served in moving the remainder of the HQ to PADUA and it is suggested that it remains in its present location until called forward to UDINE.

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*C. J. Tranter*  
Major-General.  
Commanding.  
No. 1 District.

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SUBJECT: - UDINE Territorial HQ

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MMIA)

SD/34

11 Jun 45

Senior MMIA LO  
Rear HQ EIGHTH Army (three)

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Ref your letter MM/129 of 5 Jun.

The functions and duties of Territorial HQ's, Military Districts and Depots are set out in MMIA letter TS/G/12 dated 26 Dec 44.

Ref your para 3(a) the authority for the Military Districts at SACILE, ROVIGO, POLA and GORIZIA will be found in Appx "A" (Cat 1B Serials 18 - 22) to MMIA letter SD/94 dated 12 Mar. *no cover/self + H.F. 17*

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Ref your para 3(c) a copy is att of this HQ letter G/2 of 17 Mar. Two thirds of the WE strength of Terr HQ's Military Districts and Depots will in each case be recruited locally.

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5. Ref your para 3(d). 24 Recovery Commission is operating under No 4 Territorial HQ BOLZANO with whom arrangements should be made for the provision of vehicles essential to the requirements of No 5 Territorial HQ from time to time.  
It is proposed to form No 5 Adm Tpt Coy (strength 60 load carriers) and further instructions will be issued regarding this Coy and the repair unit to which it will be affiliated.  
Any vehicles now obtained and operated by No 5 Territorial HQ will be brought eventually on charge of No 5 Adm Tpt Coy which is intended for the exclusive use of UDINE Terr. HQ.
6. Ref your para 3(e). It is agreed that a Tribunale Militare would improve the standard of discipline in the area and if one is required application should be made by 5 Terr. HQ to the Ministry of War through Italian Staff channels. Meanwhile, 5 Terr HQ should liaise with 228 Adm Div and the CREMONA Gp in order to share existing facilities.



7. Ref your para 3(f). The responsibility for dealing with repatriates is that of AMG acting under the instrs of the Disposed Persons and Repatriation Sub Com A.C. Working in conjunction with DP and R Sub Com the War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners Sub Com deal specifically with returning PW. No responsibility for this work devolves on Terr HQ.

8. Ref your para 4 the Ministry of War has told General ARMELLINI to maintain a watching brief pending authority to establish his organisation. The balance of his HQ is waiting to be called fwd. at SENEGALLIA, see copy of Ministry of War letter 13994/Ord II of 7 Jun att.

All other Terr HQ are now established and functioning.

To MR

*Major General*  
Major General  
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Copy to:- MMIA LO HQ 1 District - MMIA signal SD2753 of 11 Jun refers.

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Att to MMIA letter SD/34 of 11 Jun 45

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COPY TRANSLATION

FROM : MINISTRY OF WAR  
TO : MMIA  
SUBJECT: UDINE (V) Mil Terr Comd  
Ref : 13994/Ord II  
Date : 7 Jun 1945

Reply to letter SD/34 dated 29 May 1945.

The organisation of the UDINE Mil Terr Command is as follows:

1) Units already functioning: *to 6*

- (a) EAST of the PLAVE (with the limitations mentioned in MMIA LO with Rear HQ 8 Army's letter MM101/5 dated 23 May 45):
- UDINE Mil Terr Command nucleus (offices of the Command and men from the services directorates);
  - 96th Mil District nucleus - UDINE;
  - 30th " " - SACILE; *to 4*
  - 58th Depot nucleus (2nd Inf Regt - UDINE);

(b) WEST of the PLAVE

- 29th Mil District - PADOVA (being completed);
- 63rd " " - ROVIGO " " " " 5096
- 51st " " - VENEZIA " " " " " "
- 28th " " - TREVISO " " " " " "
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- 60th " (20th Arty Regt - PADOVA);
- 61st " (11th Engr Regt - PADOVA);

- 2) Units that will be formed when the 2nd Group of the Command (which is inactive and which is at SENIGALLIA today) arrives at PADOVA;

1) Units already functioning: 70.6

- (a) EAST of the PIAVE (with the limitations mentioned in MMIA LO with Rear HQ 8 Army's letter MM101/5 dated 23 May 45):
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- 61st " (11th Engr Regt - PADOVA);

2) Units that will be formed when the 2nd Group of the Command (which is inactive and which is at SENIGALLIA today) arrives at PADOVA;

- detachment of the 5th Mil Terr Command - PADOVA;
- Engineer Command;
- Artillery Command;
- Service personnel;

A return in detail could be supplied by the command in question after the arrival in PADOVA of the a/m 2nd Group. We beg MMIA to authorize the movement of said Group from SENIGALLIA to PADOVA.

signed LIUZZI

Gen

Cpl VDC

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

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 TO : DISTONE  
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OUTGOING SIGNAL

FROM : MMIA  
TO : DISTWO FOR MMIA LO  
REF : SD 2754

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From : MOW  
 To : MMIA  
 Subject : Udine (V) Mil. Terr. Command.

Ref. : 13994/Ord./II  
 Date : June 7, 1945

Reply to letter SD/34 dated May 29, 1945

The organization of the Udine Mil. Terr. Command is as follows:

1) units already functioning:

a) east of the Piave (with the limitations mentioned in MMIA LG with Rear Hq. 8th Army's letter MM101/5 dated May 23, 1945):

- Udine Mil. Terr. Command nucleus (offices of the Command and men from the services directorates);
- 96th Mil. District Nucleus - Udine;
- 30th Mil. District Nucleus - Sacile;
- 58th Depot Nucleus (2nd Inf. Regt. - Udine );
- ~~61st Depot (11th Engineer Regt. - Udine)~~

b) west of the Piave:

- 29th Mil. District - Padova (being completed);
- 63rd Mil. District - Rovigo (being completed);
- 51st Mil. District - Venezia (being completed);
- 28th Mil. District - Treviso (being completed);
- 59th Depot ~~XXXXXX~~ (55th Inf. Regt. - Treviso);
- 60th Depot (20th Arty Regt. - Padova);
- ~~61st Depot (11th Engineer Regt. - Padova);~~

2) units that will be formed when the 2nd Group of the Command (which is inactive and which is at Senigallia today) arrives at Padova;

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- Engineer command;
- Artillery command;
- Service personnel.

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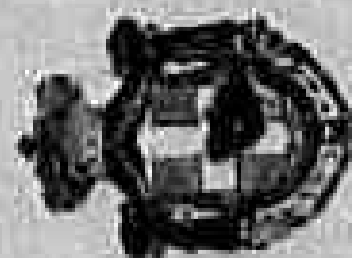
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO  
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE

SEGRETO

N. 13994/Ord./II

Allegati

P.M. 3800, H 7 giugno 1945

OGGETTO: Comando militare territoriale di Udine (V).

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

Risposta foglio SD/34 del 29/5/45.-

L'organizzazione del comando militare territoriale di Udine è

la seguente:

- 1) enti già in funzione:
  - a) ad est del Piave (con le limitazioni di cui al foglio MM101/5, data 23/5/45, dell'ufficio collegamento della M.M.I.A. presso il comando arretrato 8<sup>a</sup> Armata):
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    - nucleo distretto militare n° 96 - Udine;
    - " " " 30 - Sacile;
    - nucleo deposito n° 58 (2° rgt.ftr. - Udine);
    - " " " 61 (11<sup>a</sup> rgt. genio - Udine)
  - b) ad ovest del Piave:
    - distretto militare n. 29 - Padova (in corso di completamento);
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- " " " 28 - Treviso ( " " );

- deposito n. 59 (55° rgt. ftr. - Treviso);

- " " " 60 (20° rgt. art. - Padova);

- " " " ~~41° rgt. genio - Padova~~

2) enti che saranno costituiti con l'arrivo a Padova del 2° scaglione del comando (alla data odierna ferma <sup>ed in attesa</sup> alla Senigallia):

- distaccamento del V comando militare territoriale - Padova;

- comando genio;

./././.

- comando artiglieria;
- elementi dei servizi.

Una situazione particolareggiata del comando in oggetto potrà essere fornita dopo l'arrivo a Padova del 2° scaglione sopra detto. Si interessa vivamente codesta MMIA perchè sia autorizzato il proseguimento da Senigallia a Padova dello scaglione stesso.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
(Giorgio Liuzzi)

*Chiabbi*

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SUBJECT: - Territorial Organisation

Land Forces Sub Comd. AG,  
(M.M.I.A.), R O H E.

Liaison Officer,  
Land Forces Sub Comd. AG,  
(M.M.I.A.),  
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

Copy to: LMIA IO,  
att HQ 228 Div.

MM/129  
5 June 45

See 70.14A

1. There is no doubt that the entry of 5 Italian Territorial HQ into this Area has caused considerable embarrassment to all parties concerned; Gen ARMELLINI finds himself necessarily powerless to act. EAST of R. PIAVE and his activities are extremely limited in his territory outside Eighth Army Area.

2. The reasons for this are mainly that  
(a) the Patriots are legally still in possession of a quantity of Italian Military property, both barracks, weapons and eqpt, for they have NOT yet been disbanded.

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(d) His conception of his W.E. and responsibilities is at variance with that laid down in your SD/94 dated 12 Mar.

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(c) Gen ARMELLINI tells me that he was instructed in ROME to recruit two thirds of his WE locally from amongst regular officers and volunteers from the Patriots: is this confirmed?

(d) No efficient Veh Parks appear to be visualised for inclusion in his set-up. One is essential as it is virtually impossible for units to draw vehs from ROME, BARI or NAPLES. Equally it is impracticable to rely on a Repair Org in FLORENCE. What plans exist for NE ITALY?

(e) A Tribunale Militare in this area would go far to impress discipline upon all ranks. I have asked for one in my MM/112 para 8 dated 1 Mar 45 (Liaison Log No.16); what is the sitn?

(f) What responsibility, if any, for dealing with Repetristes has been delegated to 5 Territorial IQ from ROME? AMG here has the whole matter in hand already.

15/12/17  
TS  
to MG

MMIA  
FILE: 50/36  
DATE: 7/6

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4. We are all most anxious to help Gen ARBELLINI and his staff through what is obviously an embarrassing and difficult period for them. I would therefore welcome clarification of the above points as early as possible, together with all other relevant information that you can furnish us with.

*Capt.*  
*W. J. Cox* *Capt.*  
Major,  
MMIA 10, Rear Eighth Army.

*Absent on duty.*

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*LO info*

SECRET

9.

SUBJECT: - Italian Army - Org & Comd

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.

Liaison Officer,  
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.),  
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

Copy to: 86 (Army) Area.  
228 Div.

MM/100  
15 May 45

*SD/34/18/5*  
*F. 12.*

Ref your SD 2654 dated 4 May.

1. Under authority M 312/1 I(b) dated 13 May, HQ Eighth Army have granted permission for the u/m Military Districts to be established..

HQ 29 District	Padua	Str 6	offrs	
HQ 51 District	Venice	" 5	"	
60 Territorial Depot	Padua	" 5	"	

*17/5/45*  
*16/5/45*  
*19/5/45*

2. It is noted that adv party of 5 Territorial HQ (UDINE) left ROME on 10 May for 228 Div who are requested herewith to arrange billets for them in PADUA.

3. Owing to the present ban on any but specially authorised Italian personnel moving forward of the line PADUA - VENICE, it is unlikely that permission for the establishment of remaining HQs of VENEZIA GIULIA will be granted for some time.

MMIA  
FILE: *SD/34/18/5*  
DATE: *18/5*

*Lt Col. Sansone* *informed of above + Bgl Aristum*  
*held letter following*

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MMIA HQ, Rear Eighth Army.  
Major,

*SD-18/5*



SECRETSUBJECT: No. 5 Territorial Comd

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC, (MMA)

SD/34

31 May 45

TO : HQ 1 DISTRICTUDHEB TERRITORIAL HQ

1. Attached at Appx 'A' to this letter is a copy of MM/101/5 dated 2 May a letter written by MMA LO Rear 8 ARMY to HQ No. 5 Territorial Comd. UDHEB. This letter states that 8 ARMY has no objection to UDHEB Territorial HQ being implemented up to the Security Control Line. Also please refer to MMA letter TS/G/12 of 26 Dec which states that the Territorial HQ layout may be implemented up to the Rear Army Boundary, (having authy ARHQ with 15 Army Group concurrence.)

2. Please state whether No. 5 Territorial HQ may be implemented to the Security Control Line. A copy of MMA LO Rear 8 ARMY Signal CI/1 dated 30 May, which requests that 5 Territorial HQ personnel be retained in their present location, is attached for reference at appx 'B', as it is stated therein that you are not in agreement with the move of the balance of the HQ to PADUA.

See FO. 17.

*[Signature]*  
for Major General *[Signature]*  
MMA

Copy to : MMA LO 8 ARMY REAR  
MMA LO 1 DISTRICT

Internal: GSI  
A (Two)  
Q (Two)  
MOV (Two)  
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COPY

Letter SD/34 dated 31 May

URGENT AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: HQ 5 Territorial Command

HQ 5 Territorial Command,  
UDINE

Copy to: Lan Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(L.A.I.A.), ROME  
HQ 248 Div, FANOVA

Liaison Officer  
Lan Forces Sub Comm. AC.  
(L.A.I.A.)  
c/o Rear Lt., Eighth Army

MM/101/5  
23 May 45

Ref Lt. Col. PIACENTINI's visit to HQ Eighth Army on 18 May 45.

1. I am instructed to inform you that HQ Eighth Army have decided that the adv pty of your HQ now in UDINE may remain in its present location on the following conditions which you are requested to observe most scrupulously.

- (a) HQ 5 Territorial Command will not increase its present numbers.
- (b) No attempt will be made locally to enroll any further personnel either to augment its present strength or that of any other Italian unit.
- (c) WEST of the Security Control Line, members of HQ 5 Territorial Command may function with full authority; the military Districts and Depots sited WEST of the Security Control Line may also be implemented to full strength and undertake their full role.

The Security Control Line is R. PIAVE to rd and river crossing G 6494 thence M.KEH to AUSTIDAN bdy.

- (d) Bearing in mind the present political situation, members of your HQ are to act with tact and in accordance with principles agreed at the conversation Lt. Cols. SAUTY - PUGLISI 18 May.

2. Members of Military Districts and Depots WEST of the Security Control Line may not cross to the EAST of the line; liaison with them must therefore be made by those members of your HQ now authorized to be in UDINE. All such personnel will require a pass to enable them to cross the Control Line; you are requested to furnish me as soon as possible with the follow-

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I am interested to know you must be a member of Army I.E.V. because that the Adv pty of your HQ now in UDINE may remain in its present location on the following conditions which you are requested to observe most scrupulously.

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The Security Control Line is R. FLAVI to rd and river crossing G 6/94 thence MARCH to AUSTRIA bdy.

(d) Bearing in mind the present political situation, all members of your HQ are to act with tact and in accordance with principles agreed at the conversation Lt. Cols. GUTS - PLAVI - TIM 18 May.

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- (a) Full name, rank and matricole.
- (b) Apt held.
- (c) Military class and district.

3. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

/s/

Major  
MIA LO, REAR EIGHTH ARMY



Appendix "P" to MIA letter  
SD/34 dated 31 May 1945

C O P Y

FROM: MMIA LO FEAR 8TH ARMY  
TO : MMIA ROME  
INFO: DISTONE FOR MMIA LO  
REF : CH/1

301210 B

SECRET

IMMEDIATE

UNDERSTAND 20 OFFRS 60 CRE BEING BALANCE OF STAFF  
COMILITER UDINE INTEND TO LEAVE  
FOR LAUA (.) DISTONE NOT RET  
NOT MET IN AGREEMENT (.) REQUEST YOU RETAIN  
PERSONNEL : PRESENT LOCATION

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ARMY FORM 02186 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 37/30.

Srl. No.	Priority <b>OP</b>	Transmission Instructions <b>CIPHER SECRET</b>
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) MMIALO	Originator Rear 8th Army	Date-Time of Origin 301210B
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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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For Action MMIA Rome
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TO (W) For Information (INFO) Distone for MMIALO
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Message Instructions QVR	GR
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3-5 BY DA 100 M 100/3-44

Originator's No. **CHP** Restricted **0** understand 20 offers 60 Ohs  
 being balance of staff COMILITER UDINE intend to leave  
 for PADUA? DISTONE NOT yet NOT yet in agreement  
 request you retain? personnel present location.

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WIRELESS BY ANY MEANS

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

IMMEDIATE

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Time cleared		

SIGNED

SIGNED *[Signature]*

CONFIDENTIAL

CT: No 5 Territorial Command

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (MIA)

SD/SA  
29 MAY 45

See Fol 146

4 to Rear Army HQ/101/5 by  
23 May 45 - info 4

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Att. at appendix A is copy of letter written on behalf of Eighth Army to No 5 Terr. HQ (UDINE)

2. Will you please give present layout of the above Terr. HQ incl. the Districts & Depots which it controls.

See F. 11.A.

*[Signature]*  
Major General,  
MIA.

Internal: A  
B. Copies of etc  
sent.

Jv

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Informed G.O.C.  
from 29 May.



SUBJECT: HQ 5 Territorial Command

URGENT & CONFIDENTIAL

SD/34

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Appx A to 20/54 g  
29 May 45

Liaison Officer,  
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.),  
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/101/5  
23 May 45

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HQ 5 Territorial Command,  
UDINE.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,  
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.  
HQ 228 Div, PADOVA.

See F 114. See for 14c

Ref Lt. Col. PIACENTINI's visit to HQ Eighth Army on 18 May 45.

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- (a) Full name, rank and matricola. *Sub*  **CSO 1**
- (b) Appt held.  **CSO 2 (C-4)**
- (c) Military class and district.  **CSO 2 (C-3)**
- 5. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.  **CSO 2 (W-3)**
- CSO 2 (L)**
- CSO 3 (S-3)**
- CSO 3 (C-3)**
- CSO 3 (L)**

*see p. 5*  
*R. Piacentini*

Major,  
 MMIA IO, Rear Eighth Army.

MMIA-10  
 FILE: 50/24/1  
 26/5

*G.I. on 22 May War Ministry assured us that the whole HQ had been authorized !!*

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*26/5*

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Implementation of Territorial Layout.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MMIA)

SD/54 ←

25 Apr 45.

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref 12749/ORD/II of 23 Apr 45.

1. This HQ has spoken on the phone to HQ 15th Army Gp and signified approval not only for the BOLOGNA Territorial HQ as requested by you but for the whole of the Territorial layout to be implemented as quickly as possible.
2. HQ 15 Army Gp is sympathetic. It points out however that operations take precedence, but goes on to say that as the Territorial HQ representatives are in close contact with 15 Army Gp Liaison Sec (Col NEGROMI) it will contact them direct if it is possible to hasten forward the layout.

*[Handwritten Signature]* J.C.

Major General,  
MMIA. 5082

Copy to: SA to GOC.  
GHI(L) M of W  
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Jv.



TRANSLATION

SD/34

FROM : S.M.R.E.  
TO : M.M.I.A.

REF: 12749/11  
DATE: 23/4/45

Subject: Transfer to BOLOGNA of the 6th Territorial Military HQ.

- 1) M.M.I.A. is perfectly aware of the absolute necessity (for obvious reasons) of the Territorial, Military HQ's functioning immediately in the regions that are gradually liberated.
- 2) Following the liberation of BOLOGNA, I approached Gen CERICA? and the Liason Mission with the 15th AA Group, to obtain from the competent Allied Authority, the authorisation for transferring into the a/m City, the 6th Terr Mil HQ, or a nucleus of same, immediately following the Allied Troops.
- 3) In view of the urgent nature of the matter, I earnestly beg M.M.I.A. to notify their approval to the 15th AA Group, and kindly render your assistance in granting the above request.

Chief of S.M.R.E.

Gen RONCO

G/D

*For reply see F.2.*

*Gl: Do you wish to speak Col Miller? B.24/4.*

MMIA - 'C'
FILE: <i>Sd/34</i>
DATE: <i>23/4</i>

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO  
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE  
- Sezione Ordinamento -

**SEGRETO**

N° 12749/Ord./II di prot.

P.M. 3800. <sup>78</sup> 23 aprile 1945

OGGETTO: Trasferimento a Bologna del VI comando militare territoriale.



ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC. (M.M.I.A.) ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

AL GABINETTO

SEDE

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SD 24/4

1. - Codesta M.M.I.A. si è già resa perfettamente conto dell'assoluta necessità, per evidenti motivi, che i comandi militari territoriali possano entrare in funzione con carattere di immediatezza nelle regioni che saranno a mano a mano liberate.-

2. - In conseguenza dell'avvenuta liberazione di Bologna, ho interessato il generale Cerica e la missione di collegamento presso il comando 15° gruppo di armate A.A., perchè ottengano dai comandi alleati competenti, l'autorizzazione a trasferire in tale città, ad immediato seguito delle truppe alleate, il VI comando militare territoriale od un nucleo di esso.-

3. - Data l'importanza e l'urgenza della questione prego vivamente codesta M.M.I.A. di voler comunicare al comando 15° gruppo armate il proprio benessere e voler interporre cortese interessamento per l'accoglimento di quanto richiesto

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IL CAPO DI S.M. DELL'ESERCITO

*[Handwritten signature]*



