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FROM : HQ ALCOM CITE ACEXC
 TO : G (SD) GHQ., CMF
 REF : 8375

15 Nov 45

SECRET
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 REFERENCE YOUR FX 51827 OF 4 NOVEMBER (.) CALL-UP
 OF 1923 - 1924 CLASSES INTO ITALIAN NAVY IN AMG
 TERRITORY POSTPONED UNTIL HANDOVER OF TERRITORY TO
 ITALIAN GOVERNMENT (.) CALL-UP OF THESE CLASSES IN
 ITALIAN CONTROLLED TERRITORY TOOK PLACE IN JUNE 1945 (.)
 NEW CALL-UP IN 1946

Copy to: Land Forces S/C (MMIA)

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AC (Examination Dept.)

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Army at all! See 49.

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Please check with AC

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : AFHQ
 TO : ALCOM
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IMPORTANT

FROM G(SD) CMF (.) REFERENCE OUR FX 51827 OF
 4 NOVEMBER (.) PRESENT RATE OF CALL UP ITALIANS
 IN ITALY TO THE THREE ARMED FORCES (.) PLEASE
 EXPEDITE REPLY FOR 9 NOVEMBER (.) INFORMATION
 REQUIRED URGENTLY BY TROOPERS

Action taken.

see HQ

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SUBJECT: Call-up Policy

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC (LMIA)

SD/71 ✓

7 Nov 45

TO : Executive Commissioner,
HQ Allied Commission.

Reference G(SD) GHQ CMF signal FX 51827 (copy attached)
of 4 Nov.

No call-up of Italians into the Italian Army is taking place
in ITALY at the present time. The next call-up is planned to take
place early in 1946. Will you please so inform GHQ.

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Amey. [Signature]
Major-General,
LMIA.

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Air Forces Sub-Com, A.C.

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 TO : ALLIED COMMISSION 1311A
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FOLLOWING INFORMATION URGENTLY REQUIRED (.)

PRESENT RATE OF CALL UP OF ITALIANS IN ITALY TO THE THREE ARMED FORCES (.)

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To: Joint Commission

Info: Navy S/C // Air Force S/C

Re: GSO GHP GHF signal

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(copy of) A New

No call

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From : Ministry of War

To : M.M.I.A.

Translation.

Ref:- 24034/Mob/I

Date :- 24th Oct. 45.

Subject:- Call-up of young classes.

Ref. your A 016 dated 10/10/45.

1. The laws in force in Italy for the recruiting for peace time, lay down :-

- conscription operations (the Communes revise and bring up to date the recruiting list. Personal examination and enlistment of men conscripted by Recruiting Councils) for young men of 20 years of age.

- Call-up of these young men, enlistment by Recruiting Councils, on completion of their 21st year of age.

Consequently, conscription operations for the classes 1926 and younger have not yet been carried out nor is it possible to carry them out in the near future and cannot be in any event completed before the end of 1946.

The necessity of conscripting young men who have reached their 20th birthday, has been brought about by the fact that (as noted in statistics) the percentage of young men between the ages of 18 and 19, physically unfit, is larger than that of young men who are 20 years old. Moreover, the incorporation into the army of men who are 21 years old, allows young students to complete their studies at High Secondary Schools. However, a change in the present laws would need the approval of the Legal Organisations of the State and hence, a considerable time for the study, discussion, and approval, of the new law.

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At present, we only know that for the classes 1924 (2nd. and 3rd; four months) and 1925, but not that for the classes 1926, 27 and 28, which can only be calculated approximately according to the results obtained for the classes 1925 and older.

Consequently:

- (a) the enclosed table shows data in respect of the estimated total number of men (265,000) of the classes 1924 (2nd and 3rd four months) and 1925

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(distributed in regions), that can be recruited in districts where the call up has still not been carried out

(b) the approximate number of men of the classes 1926, 27 and 28, that can be called up, may be inferior on account of the events of the recent war: i.e. approx. 200 to 210 thousand men of each class.

However, from the total number of men that may be incorporated as in (a) and (b) above, it is necessary to subtract (from each class) 5 to 10 thousand men (number calculated for the time being) to be transferred to the Air Force (the Air Force has no recruiting system of its own) as well as various other losses which may occur after conscripting operations. These losses cannot be estimated exactly.

It is understood that, should the strength that can be incorporated, be more than that fixed for our army, the contingent could be reduced to the number required by granting extensions in larger numbers than that fixed for the present.

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3. Owing to the necessity of having complete rulings in connection with the present situation of many Districts, it is advisable to have the call-up postponed to the last decade in February.

It would be desirable to have your decision on the matter in the near future so that the necessary instructions can be issued in time.

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G-5 AFHQ RPTD AMG VENEZIA GIULIA

1917

16 July 45

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL PD

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER OF FIFTH JULY SUBJECT YUGOSLAV CALL UP OF ITALIANS
IN VENEZIA GIULIA AND YOUR SIGNAL FOX ONE EIGHT FIVE ZERO SIX PD
PAREN TO GEORGE FIVE AFHQ RPTD AMG VENEZIA GIULIA FOR SCAD FROM HQ ALCOM
CITE ACEXC PAREN

FOLLOWING IS REPLY RECEIVED FROM AMG VENEZIA GIULIA TO OUR SIGNAL TO THEM
ON THIS SUBJECT

QUOTE CONSCRIPTION ORDER WAS ISSUED IN POLA ON TWENTY SECOND MAY CALLING
UP ITALIAN CLASSES NINETEEN HUNDRED AND ONE TO NINETEEN HUNDRED AND
TWENTY SEVEN PD IN GORIZIA CONSCRIPTION ORDER WAS ISSUED FOR CLASSES
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SIX TO NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHT ABOUT
FIFTH MAY PD IN TRIESTE NO ORDER WAS POSTED IN CITY BUT SIMILAR ORDERS
WERE POSTED IN SUBURBS OF CITY PD DATES NOT KNOWN PD RECORDS ARE NOT
AVAILABLE BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT FEW CONSCRIPTS OBEYED THE ORDERS PD
UNQUOTE PD THE LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AND ITALIAN MINISTRY OF WAR
HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY ORDER CALLING UP ITALIAN CIVILIANS IN ANY PART
OF VENEZIA GIULIA PD

Copy to: Land Forces S/C (MMIA)

Office of Executive Commissioner

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/s/ E. Talbot
Lt. Col.

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DATE:	18/7

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JUL 10 1945
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HQ ALCON ROMB

Both in TITO area

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Reference your 1406 of 7 July. Conscription order was issued in POLA on 22 May calling up Italian classes 1901 to 1927. In GORIZIA conscription order was issued for classes 1896 to 1928 about 5 May. In TRIESTE no order was posted in city but similar orders were posted in suburbs of city. Dates not known. Records are not available but it is believed that few conscripts obeyed the orders

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15 JUL 1945

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SCAO VENEZIA GIULIA

REPEATED G - 5 AFHQ

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14 JULY 45

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CONFIDENTIAL PD

1406 of 7 July 1681
REFERENCE OUR SIGNAL ONE FOUR ZERO SIX OF SEVENTH JULY PDPAREN TO SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER VENEZIA GIULIA REPEATEDGEORGE FIVE AFHQ FROM HEADQUARTERS ALCOM CITE AEXCO PAREN

PLEASE REPLY URGENTLY PD

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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E. Talbot

Lieut Colonel.

MMIA - 'G'

FILE: 50/71

DATE: 16/7

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT: Conscription - VENEZIA GIULIA

Land Forces Sub-Com, AC (MIA)

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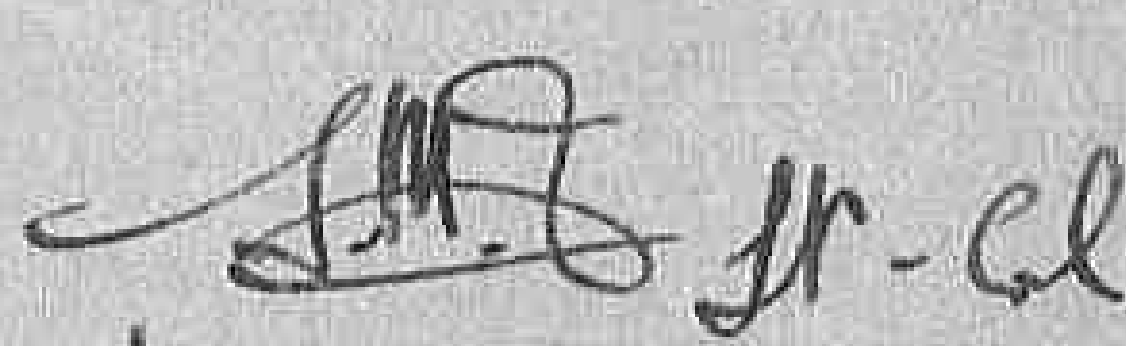
13 Jul 45

TO : Executive Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

Reference signal 1406 dated 7 Jul 45.

1. It is confirmed that this Sub-Commission and the Italian Ministry of War have no knowledge of any order being issued at FUME or in any part of VENEZIA GIULIA calling Italian civilians to the Armed Forces.

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Major-General,
MIA.

SCAO VENEZIA GIULIA
REPEATED G 5 AFHQ.

1406

7 July 45

CONFIDENTIAL PD

WE ARE INFORMED THAT A CONSCRIPTION ORDER WAS ISSUED AT FIUME ON
TENTH MAY CALLING UP ALL ITALIAN CITIZENS OF CLASS NINETEEN HUNDRED
AND ONE TO NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTYSEVEN PD
PAREN TO SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER VENEZIA GIULIA REPEATED GEORGE
FIVE AFHQ FROM HEADQUARTERS ALCOM CITE ACERC PAREN
SIMILAR ORDERS ARE STATED TO HAVE APPEARED IN GORIZIA OMA POLA OMA
AND OTHER PLACES IN VENEZIA GIULIA PD
PLEASE REPORT URGENTLY ON THIS MATTER PD

Copy to : Land Forces S/C

Office of Executive Commissioner

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Lieut. Col.

C/S 39A

I have told H-Cl
Fallot that we have
no knowledge of such
an order and neither
has the Italian Mob W

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ROUTINE

From : AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FIVEG
To : ALCOM

see 1043

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Matter ~~now~~ urgent. Please expedite.

(Ref our letter 5 July Yugoslav call up of Italians).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

see 643

G-5 :

5 July 1945

SUBJECT : Yugoslav call-up of Italians in Venezia Giulia.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Representations have been made by the Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs to His Majesty's Ambassador in Rome, that a conscription order had been issued at Fiume, on May 10 calling up all Italian citizens of class 1901-1927. Similar ^{orders} it was said, appeared in Gorizia, Pola and other places in Venezia Giulia.

2. This was denied in Belgrade.

3. As further action is contemplated, you are asked whether you have any first-hand information of the posting of call-up notices or similar evidence of conscription.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5 :

See folios

39A C.J. MACNAMARA
39B Major, P.C.

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Copy to : Land Forces S/C

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FILE 50/21
DATE 12/7

TRANSLATION.

FROM: Ministry of War
TO: MMIA

REF: 17359/Mob
DATE: 1 June 45

SUBJECT: Discharge from the Army of military personnel
belonging to the old classes.

1) I have seen letter SD/71 dated 26 May in which you point out that you cannot adhere to the "recruiting and call up" programme which was proposed to you in the early days of April last with the object of permitting the discharge from the Army of military personnel of old classes, because, in the near future, there will be a reduction of 3R-ITI and US-ITI units.

2) Certainly, the estimated reduction could help in solving the problem of returning to civilian life, part of the military personnel belonging to old classes. But, no matter how high these estimations may be, they will never be such, nor carried out fast enough to reach the object.

As it may be noted, the army has at present a strength

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9.000 men of the class 1914 (2nd and 3rd four months).	
14.000 men of the class 1915.	
71.000 men	
48.000 men of the classes 1916-1919.	

a total of 119.000 men which require gradual discharge starting by the oldest immediately.

3) Up to the present, you have recognised only the necessity to discharge from the Army military personnel belonging to the classes 1914 (1st four months) and older (48.000 men), but you have laid down that the military personnel to be discharged, be replaced by others.

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Since it would be unjust and not human to fail to recognise the right that military personnel belonging to old classes, have to be sent home, it is my duty to approach you once more for the immediate discharge from the Army of military personnel belonging to the whole of

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the class 1914 and older (57,000 men) without having to replace them. Units requirements would be filled in by adapting the following measures which will cover the decreases in strength to be decided upon:-

a) For the time being

a) Enlistment of volunteers (especially tradesmen). This source of recruiting will not give a large number of men, because of the small pay compelled by the country's financial condition;

Re-call up of men already trained and belonging to the classes 1920-24 (1st four months) in Umbria, Marche and Toscana.

Number estimated = 13,000 men approximately.

Recruiting of the remaining men belonging to the classes 1924-25 in Puglia, Lucania, Molise and Calabria.

Number estimated = 20,000 men approximately.

Total 33,000 men plus the volunteers.

b) Later on

Recruiting men belonging to the classes 1924-25 in Campania.

Number estimated = 34,000 men approximately.

Recruiting men belonging to the classes 1924-25 in Sicily.

Number estimated = 31,000 men approximately.

Total = 65,000 men.

c) After having proceeded with a) and b) above, recruiting of men belonging to the classes 1924-25 in the other regions should be carried out.

5) In carrying out the procedure detailed above, we would have in the army, together with soldiers of younger classes, a large number of recruits. This would improve the efficiency of the army since most of the men in the army would be those who are compelled to do their military service. Experience proved that the people understand such duty because the call up in Puglia, Lucania, Molise and Sardinia gave an excellent result since everybody reported for military services. Moreover, we would obtain the great advantage of eliminating differences in the treatment between the various classes and the various regions, differences in treatment which are still causes of more widespread and profounder discontent.

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I trust that you will consider carefully the requests which I feel it is my duty to put forward once more. The approval of these requests should be impelled by an incontrovertible fact: the troops who belong to older classes have the right to be discharged from the army. It is therefore much better to grant a legal discharge from the army rather than compel the military concerned to become A.W.L. as it is happening at present.

This is the real state of things and it must be met with accordingly.

(Sgá) E. ROMEO.

translated by: G.F.
typed by: jv

5 June 45

Pi/gr.

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

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N. 17359/Mob. di prot.

P.M. 3800, li 1^o giugno 45OGGETTO : congedamento militari classi anziane.SD
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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (MMIA)

ROMA

I) - Ho preso visione del foglio SD/71 in data 26 maggio col quale cotesta M.M.I.A. informa di non poter aderire al programma di chiamate e richiami proposto fin dai primi giorni dello scorso aprile, allo scopo di dar corso al congedamento dei militari delle classi più anziane, perché avrà luogo tra breve una riduzione del numero dei reparti delle categorie BR-ITI ed US-ITI.

II) - Le previste riduzioni potranno certamente contribuire alla soluzione del problema di restituire alla vita civile una parte dei militari di classe anziana, ma per forti che esse siano non saranno mai tali, né così sollecite, da raggiungere lo scopo.

Come è noto sono tuttora alle armi

48.000 militari classi
1914 (1^o quadr.)
e più anziane
9.000 militari classe
1914 (2^o e 3^o
quadr.)
14.000 militari classe
1915

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Totale

71.000

48.000 militari classi
1916 - 1919

In complesso 119.000 che occorre gradualmente congedare, cominciando subito dai più anziani.

III) - Cotesta M.M.I.A. ha finora riconosciuto tale necessità soltanto per i militari delle classi 1914 (1^o quadr.) e più anziane (48.000 uomini) ma ha vincolato il congedamento alla sostituzione.

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La facoltà concessa ai comandanti di reparto di congedare senza preventiva sostituzione purché al servizio resti completamente assicurato, ha avuto senza dubbio un benefico effetto morale, ma valore pratico molto limitato, perché la quasi totalità dei reparti ha già una forza effettiva inferiore a quella organica e per di più decurtata, in misura rilevante, dalle assenze per allontanamenti arbitrari, licenze, ricovero in ospedale ecc.. In conseguenza si rende necessaria la sostituzione, che però non potrà essere in alcun modo effettuata per assoluta indisponibilità di complementi.

IV) - Poiché sarebbe ingiusto e non umano disconoscere il diritto che hanno i militari anziani di tornare alle loro case, ho il dovere di interessare nuovamente cotesta M.M.I.A. per il congedamento immediato degli appartenenti all'intera classe 1914 e più anziane (57.000 uomini) senza vincoli di sostituzione. Alle necessità dei reparti si dovrebbe provvedere con i seguenti provvedimenti adeguabili alle successive riduzioni che verranno decise :

a)- in 1° tempo :

- arruolamento di volontari (in particolare specializzati). Questa fonte di reclutamento non darà prevedibilmente un gettito rilevante, dato anche il modesto trattamento economico imposto dalle difficoltà finanziarie del Paese;

- richiamo dei militari, già istruiti, cl. 1920-24 (1° quadr.) in Umbria, Marche e Toscana.

Gettito previsto :

circa 13.000 uo.

- chiamata alle armi delle rimanenti reclute cl. 1924-25 della Puglia, Lucania e Molise nonché quelle della Calabria.

Gettito previsto :

circa 20.000 uo.

Totale 33.000 uo.
(oltre i volontari)

b)- in 2° tempo :

- chiamata alle armi delle reclute cl. 1924-25 in Campania.

Gettito previsto :

circa 34.000 uo.

- chiamata alle armi delle reclute cl. 1924-25 in Sicilia.

Gettito previsto :

circa 31.000 uo.

Totale 65.000 uo.

c)- successivamente : dopo incorporati i due blocchi precedenti, dovrebbero essere chiamate alle armi le reclute delle classi 1924-25 nelle rimanenti regioni.

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v) - Con i provvedimenti suddetti verrebbe ad essere incorporato, insieme a militari delle classi più giovani, un notevole numero di reclute. Ciò gioverebbe sensibilmente all'efficienza dello Esercito, che sarebbe così costituito quasi totalmente da militari aventi obblighi di leva. L'esperienza ha dimostrato che il Paese ben comprende tale dovere, perché le chiamate in Puglia, Lucania, Molise e Sardegna hanno dato un ottimo risultato, con la presentazione totalitaria e disciplinata delle reclute alle armi. E si otterrebbe anche il vantaggio notevole di eliminare le troppo forti e dannose diversità di trattamento tra le varie classi e le varie regioni; diversità che sono causa di sempre più diffuso e profondo malcontento.

Confido che cotesta M.M.I.A. vorrà portare la sua particolare attenzione sulle richieste che qui rinnovo per adempiere ad un mio dovere. E l'accoglimento di esse dovrebbe scaturire da una constatazione incontrovertibile: i militari di classe più anziana hanno diritto di essere congedati; molto meglio perciò concederli legalmente anziché indurre gl'interessati ad allontanarsi arbitrariamente come sta già avvenendo.

La realtà è questa e va fronteggiata con i soli provvedimenti possibili.-



P. IL CAPO DI S.M.
SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(E. Ronco)

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CONFIDENTIAL.SUBJECT:- Call-up.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (WMIA)

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May 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR.

Reference S.M.R.E. letter 16516/Mob. of 22 May 45.

It is regretted that for the present, the call-up programme you propose cannot be entertained owing to the reduction in the number of units of BRI-ITI and UB-ITI categories shortly to take place.

See F. 38.

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Major-General,
WMIA.

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TRANSLATION

FROM: S.M.R.E.

TO: M.M.I.A.

REF: 16516/Mob.

DATE: 22 May 1945.

SUBJECT: Call-up and recall to the forces for a gradual demobilisation.

M.M.I.A. has given verbal instructions to put back the call-up of the recruits, class 1924 (11 echelon) - 1925, and to order instead the call-up of the troops of 1924 (1 echelon), and older classes, in the regions of Central Italy in which such recall has not yet been ~~effected~~ effected.

With regard to this I submit as follows:

- 1) Service in the Italian Army is based on conscription. This causes the application of the principle to demand of each citizen an equal contribution to military service in accordance with his physical condition, on the basis of the appropriate dictates of the law.

Youths of the 1924 and 1925 classes, having reached the age laid down for enlistment in the Army, are therefore held liable for military service. Consequently their call-up is a legitimate and natural measure, being one of the fundamental duties of each citizen. Naturally its application must be total.

- 2) Up till now, however, the call-up of the youths of the above mentioned classes has only been orderdin Sardinia, Puglia, Lucania, and Molise. In these last three regions the number which could be incorporated was limited to 20,000 while that expected was about 24,000; for this reason about 4000 youths were excluded from the call-up. In order to justify this exclusion, exemptions were granted to those who were in particular circumstances. This notwithstanding, there remained unjustifiably excluded from the call-up about 1300 - 2000 youths who reported to the districts with delay or were rounded up by the CC.RR after the required number of 20,000 men had been reached.

This reflected in a very unfavourable way on the morale of the mass of the youths who responded to the call-up in a disciplin-ary manner, and encouraged the most riotous elements to A.W.O.L. if already enrolled, or to fail to report if still at home. To limit, then, enlistment in the Army to recruits of some regions, inevitably provokes discontent in the youths incorporated and resistance in those who must respond to the call-up in other regions

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- 3) - M.M.I.A. appears to consider as an obstacle to the call-up of the recruits, the time required for their training before being usefully employed. This period could be reduced by placing the ~~the~~ recruits in units after only four weeks of instruction and permitting that one or two days of the week be dedicated to the completion of essential training.
- 4) - The expected number to be gained of recalled troops of the 1924 (1st. quarter), and older, classes, in the regions in which the recall has still not been carried out (Umbria - Marche - Toscana and Emilia), is calculated to be about 20,000 men.

This outcome is insufficient for the replacement of the troops to be discharged (about 48,000) and to be sent on leave (about 65,000), resident in Northern Italy, without taking into account the discharge of the 1914 (I and III quarters) and 1915 classes.

Furthermore, such troops, because of having already served a long period of military service in the war, and having practically the whole of their families with them and concerned with their welfare, will not willingly respond to this new recall to the forces now that hostilities are over. It is therefore to be expected that an appreciable number of them will fail to report cutting down still more the small number expected and very ~~damagingly affecting~~ harmfully damaging the prestige of the State.

- 5) - As I have already pointed out, also the troops of the older classes, who are still in the Army, are eagerly looking forward to their return to their own homes as soon as possible and too much delay in their ^{de} mobilisation will cause them to go absent from their units.

In any event it is to be expected that a prolonged stay in the army would dash the hopes of these who have already served for a long time, creating a state of mind that would cause very scarce attention to their duties on the part of those who refrained from going absent from their units.

- 6) - It is considered that little value can be attached to voluntary enlistment now that a state of war no longer exists, unless some special financial attraction is offered which, however, would cause a controversy which the State needs to avoid.

- 7) - For the reasons set out above, in order to avoid an irreparable crisis in the ranks of the Army, I beg of M.M.I.A. to kindly re-examine the problem, which, in the opinion of this S.M., could find an adequate solution only with the putting into effect of the following measures, in order of precedence:
- a) - callup of the remaining recruits of the 1924 - 1925 class in Puglia, Lucania, and Molise;
 - b) - call - up of all the recruits of the 1924 - 1925 class in Calabria;
 - c) - recall of all the troops of the 1920 to 1924 (1st quarter) classes in Umbria and Marche;
 - d) - recall of the troops of the 1920 to 1924 (1st quarter) classes in Toscana and Emilia;
 - e) - call-up of the recruits of the 1925 - 1925 classes in Campania - Lazio and Abruzzi - Sicily - Umbria and Marche - Toscana - Emilia.
- 8) - I do not now consider it possible to subordinate the demobilisation of the troops of the older classes in the Army, to the said operations of call-up and recall. This for obvious reasons submitted as above.

I submit, therefore, the necessity for the immediate discharge regardless of the place of residence, of the troops of the 1914 and older, classes, following that up, without any delay, with the ~~discharge~~ discharge of the troops of the 1915 class and then gradually, but in periods as close together as possible, with the demobilisation, 1916 to 1919 classes (inclusive).

Sgd. RONCO

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

URGENTISSIMO

N. 16516 Mob. di prot.
TRANSLATION

P.M. 3800, li 22 maggio 45

OGGETTO: chiamate e richiami alle armi per una graduale smobilitazione.

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.T.A.) ROMA

Codesta M.M.T.A. ha comunicato, via breve, di rimandare la chiamata alle armi delle reclute classe 1924 (II scaglione) - 1925 e di disporre invece il richiamo alle armi dei militari cl. 1924 (I scaglione) e più anziane nelle regioni dell'Italia centro-meridionale in cui non sia stato già effettuato tale richiamo.

In merito rappresento:

- 1°) Il servizio nell'Esercito italiano è basato sulla coscrizione. Ciò comporta l'applicazione del principio di richiedere a tutti i cittadini un equo contributo al servizio militare secondo le proprie possibilità fisiche, in base ad apposite disposizioni di legge.

I giovani delle cl. 1924 e 1925, avendo già raggiunta l'età stabilita per l'arruolamento nell'Esercito sono perciò tenuti a prestare servizio militare. In conseguenza la loro chiamata è provvedimento legittimo e naturale perchè rientra tra i doveri fondamentali di ogni cittadino. Naturalmente l'applicazione deve essere totalitaria.

- 2°) Finora è stata invece disposta la chiamata dei giovani delle suddette classi soltanto in Sardegna e nella Puglia, Lucania e Molise. In queste tre ultime regioni il gettito incorporabile è stato limitato a 20.000 unità, mentre quello previsto era di circa 24.000; per cui circa 4000 giovani sono rimasti esclusi dalla chiamata. Per giustificare tale esclusione sono stati esentati coloro che si trovano in particolari condizioni. Ciononostante sono rimasti ingiustificatamente esclusi dalla chiamata circa 1500+ 2000 giovani, che si sono presentati ai distretti con ritardo o sono stati rastrellati dai CC.RR. dopo che il gettito delle 20.000 unità richiesto era stato raggiunto.

Ciò si riflette in modo molto sfavorevole sul morale della massa dei giovani che hanno risposto con disciplina alla chiamata, ed incoraggia gli elementi più riottoosi ad assentarsi arbitrariamente.

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te dal servizio, se già arruolati o a non presentarsi alle armi, se ancora a casa. Limitare poi l'arruolamento alle armi alle reclute di alcune regioni provoca inevitabile malumore nei giovani incorporati e resistenza in quelli che devono rispondere alla chiamata in altre regioni.

- 3°)- Codesta M.M.I.A. sembra consideri uno ostacolo alla chiamata delle reclute il tempo richiesto per il loro addestramento prima dell'utilizzazione nei lavori. Tale periodo può essere ridotto immettendo le reclute nei reparti, solo dopo quattro settimane di istruzione e consentendo che uno o due giorni della settimana siano dedicati al completamento della indispensabile preparazione.

- 4°)- Il gettito prevedibile dei richiami alle armi dei militari classe 1924 (I quadrimestre) e più anziane nelle regioni in cui non sono stati ancora effettuati (Umbria - Marche - Toscana ed Emilia) si calcola in circa 20.000 unità.

Tale gettito è insufficiente per la sostituzione dei militari da congedare (circa 48.000) e da inviare in licenza (circa 65.000) residenti nell'Italia settentrionale, senza tener conto del congedamento delle classi 1914 (II e III quadrimestre) e 1915.

Inoltre tali militari per aver già prestato in guerra un lungo servizio militare e per avere nella quasi totalità famiglia propria e interessi da curare, mal volentieri risponderanno a questo nuovo richiamo alle armi, ora che le ostilità sono terminate. E' perciò da prevedere che un notevole numero di essi non si presenterà assottigliando ancora più il già scarso contingente previsto e incidendo molto dannosamente sul prestigio dell'autorità dello Stato.

- 5°)- Come ho già proiettato anche i militari alle armi delle classi anziane anelano a ritornare al più presto alle proprie case e una troppo ritardata mobilitazione li spingerà ad allontanarsi arbitrariamente dal reparto.

Comunque è da prevedere che una prolungata permanenza alle armi deluderebbe l'aspettativa di chi ha lungamente servito, creando uno stato d'animo che porterebbe ad un rendimento assai scarso anche da parte di quei militari che non si allontanassero arbitrariamente dal proprio reparto.

- 6°)- Poco assegnamento è da ritenere si possa fare sul reclutamento volontario, ora che è cessato lo stato di guerra a meno che non si ricorra a speciali allettamenti economici che si risolverebbero però in un aggravio, che lo Stato ha bisogno di evitare.

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7°)- Per le ragioni sopra esposte, allo scopo di evitare una crisi irreparabile nella compagine dell'Esercito, prego codesta M.M.I.A. di voler riesaminare il problema che, a parere di questo Stato Maggiore potrà trovare adeguata soluzione soltanto con l'attuazione dei seguenti provvedimenti, in ordine di precedenza:

- a) - chiamata alle armi delle rimanenti reclute cl. 1924-25 in Puglia, Lucania e Molise;
- b) - chiamata alle armi di tutte le reclute classi 1924-1925 in Calabria;
- c) - richiamo alle armi dei militari classi dal 1920 al 1924 (I quadrimestre) in Umbria e Marche;
- d) - richiamo alle armi dei militari classi dal 1920 al 1924 (I quadrimestre) in Toscana ed Emilia;
- e) - chiamata alle armi reclute classi 1924-1925 in: Campania-Lazio ed Abruzzi - Sicilia - Umbria e Marche - Toscana - Emilia.

8°)- Non ritengo sia ormai possibile subordinare alle predette operazioni di chiamate e richiami la smobilitazione dei militari delle classi anziane alle armi. Ciò per gli evidenti motivi precedentemente esposti.

Prospetto pertanto la necessità dell'immediato congedamento, qualunque sia la località di residenza dei militari della classe 1914 e più anziane, facendolo seguire, senza soluzione di continuità, da quello dei militari del 1915 e gradualmente, ma a tempi il più possibile serrati, dalla smobilitazione delle classi dal 1916 al 1919 (compresa).

p; IL CAPO DI S.M.
IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
(E. Ronca)



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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 324

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FILE 571

DATE: 15/4

MSG/2152
16 April 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
Subject: Italian Navy Call-up of 1923 and 1924 Class Recruits.
Enclosure: (A) Copy Translation Ministry of Marine ltr 6406/2 of 24 March 1945.
(B) Copy Translation Ministry of Marine ltr 7490/2 of 10 April 1945.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B), with references to the call-up by the Italian Navy of the subject classes, are forwarded herewith for information.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.
For CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER, A.C.
LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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Herewith details
of the call-ups being
carried out by the Ministry
of Marine.
B. 18/4.

FROM: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
 TO: P.O.L. - Rome
 Date: 10 April 1945
 Ref: 7480/2

Subject: Calling-up of 1923 and previous Class
Recruits and 1924 Class

Further to letter #6403/2 of 24th ult., I give you the following additional information in regard to calling-up men for I.R.F.

1. Number of Lieut. of the Realm's Corresponding Decree.
 Royal Decree #01305 of 28th July 1938. Art. 15 of same empowers Ministry of Marine to take care of all matters concerning recruits for the Navy.

2. Contingents Concerned.

Remnants of 1923-24 Class youths are concerned, who were sent on indefinite leave to await calling-up. A total of 20217 individuals is involved belonging to the following Captaincies of the port in liberated territory: Bari, Brindisi, Taranto, Reggio Calabria, Vibo Valentia, Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia, Torre del Greco, Naples and to the Captaincies in Sicily and Sardinia.

The contingent for the time being numbers 4580 bodies as this is the number of Service Kits available.

We are not aware of the numbers to be called by the ~~1600~~ ¹⁶⁰⁰ and the Air Force as they call-up recruits independently and as required.

3. When Recruits are to be Called-up.

1923 (and previous) classes as from 10th May, 1924 class from 15th June, in accordance existing transport and communications.

4. How they are Called-up.

The classes are called-up in the year when youths reach their 20th year; but preparation of lists, medical exams and selection can be carried out in advance, so that men reaching twenty in a given year may be called-up in the first month or two of same. (Art. 5 of Decree).

Therefore Recruits can be called-up in mass once a year or in batches as desired.

5. If calling-up covers the whole of Italy including Sardinia

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The contingent for the time being numbers 4550 bodies and this is the number of Service kits available.

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Therefore Recruits can be called-up in mass once a year or in batches as desired.

5. If calling-up covers the whole of Italy including Sicily and Sardinia.

The call-up does not cover all regions in liberated Italy, but only Puglia, Calabria, Campania, Sicily and Sardinia, excluding therefore: Marche, Lazio, Tuscany and Romagna. As a result, practically all territory south of Maritime Departments of Bari and Naples (inclusive) and the two larger islands are covered.

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6. If any special criterion governs subdivision of personnel between the different bases.

This is governed by R.Decree 243 of 3rd March, 1938 concerning territorial jurisdiction of the Captaincies of the Port in regard to I.R.N. Recruits, and distribution is effected with due regard to place of origin and traditional characteristics.

- Messina covers personnel attached to Sicilian Captaincies of the Port.
- La Maddalena; the same as above for Sardinia.
- Taranto; includes personnel attached to Captaincies of Port At Naples, Castellammare di Stabia, Torre del Greco, Salerno, Taranto.
- Brindisi; covers Bari, Brindisi, Vibo Valentia, Reggio Calabria.

6. If this is the first Call-up since the Armistice.

It is confirmed that no other Call-up or Recall to arms has been made since the Armistice.

6. If any difficulties are foreseen in regard to this Call-up, as occurred in Sicily with the Army.

Difficulties mainly exist in connection with communications and transport. For this reason instructions have been issued sufficiently in advance and there will be a bi-monthly meeting of Recruits.

As to cases of non-fulfilment, there are reasons to believe that such only would be sporadic in nature.

It is not considered that disturbances will occur as this is not a mass recall of men who have served in peace or wartime but Recruits who still have to carry out their Service Obligations and who should have been called-up some time ago. The delay has been caused only by conditions in being since the Armistice.

9. Information in regard to I.R.N. plans and directives re. use of personnel.

The following principles are involved:-

- a) Regularise the Service position of Recruits, taking into account the calling-up of 1928 Class which is overdue.
- b) To allow the demobilization of older time-expired Classes (especially 1919 Class which is the oldest at present serving).
- c) To allow changes in personnel afloat in favour of those who have done considerable sea-time.

Chief of Cabinet

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Chief of Cabinet

DATE: 15 April 1945.
FROM: POTENTIAL HOME.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, IN, AC.

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FROM: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
 To : P.O.L.I. - Rome
 Date: 24.3.45
 Ref.: 6403/2

Subject: Calling-up of 1923 and 1924 Cl. Recruits.

1. On 10th May and 15th June next two drafts of 1923 and 1924 Class recruits will be called up. They will be drafted as follows :-

a) 10th May 1945 : recruits of 1923 Cl. (and previous classes), about 1350 in no. will be distributed amongst the recruiting centres as :-

- La Maddalena	100
- Taranto and Brindisi (distributed evenly)	500
- Messina-Augusta	500
<u>Total :-</u>	<u>1350</u>

These numbers are subject to slight variations.

b) 15th June 1945 : First draft of 3000 recruits of 1924 Cl., as follows :-

- La Maddalena	300
- Taranto	1200
- Brindisi	300
- Messina - Augusta	700
<u>Total :-</u>	<u>3000</u>

2. Transfer will be effected in accordance with transport available, in drafts of 150 in no on alternate days, as from 10th May and 15th June, respectively.

3. Total personnel strength will not vary as, simultaneously, time-expired men will be released.

(Sgd) THE MINISTER

DATE: 26 March 1945
 FROM: VOTALE, ROMA.
 TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, Bd. 40.

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

a) 10th May 1945: Recruits of 1925 Cl. (and previous classes), about 1550 in no. will be distributed amongst the recruiting centres as:-

- La Madalena	150
- Puerto and Prindisi (distributed evenly)	500
- Montserrat-Augusta	900
Total :-	1550

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- Prindisi	900
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(Sgd) THE MINISTER

DATE: 20 March 1945
FROM: POLAR, RMG.
TO: NAVY SECRETARIAT, HQ, AG.

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

SEAL ADMIRAL.

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By Authority of

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Date 29 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Demobilization, Italian Army

TO: President
Allied Commission
For: Land Forces Sub-Commission

1. Reference is made to letter MMIA SD/71 of 21 March 1945.
2. Recommendations contained in paragraph 3 of the above letter are accepted subject to the following conditions:
 - a. that replacements of the correct trade or specialist qualifications are provided before demobilization takes place.
 - b. that no personnel are demobilized under paragraph 3 (d) of letter under reference whose homes are NOT in liberated territory at that time.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

R. H. Freese
R. H. FRESE
Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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FILE: SD/71
DATE: 3/4

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GP has seen
and written w/plan for
plan against North Italy.

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SUBJECT: Manpower Situation - Italian Army.

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Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

SD/71

21 Mar 45.

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1. The manpower situation in the Italian Army is now such that all units are virtually up to strength (less of course certain specialists) and the only outstanding portion of the ceiling is approx 20,000 BR-ITI service personnel.

2. The intake during the months of April and May is estimated at 38,000 and even allowing for wastage the action recommended in para 3 below is more than covered.

3. In view of this satisfactory state of affairs I recommend the undermentioned:

(a) 1-15 Apr demobilise 1913 and older classes whose homes are in liberated Italy and who are due for demobilisation under present regulations..... 2000

(b) suspend 1914 and 15 classes in SICILY call-up phase III 3000

suspend 1914 and 15 class in SARDINIA call-up phase II 4000.

but estimate that a deficiency of 2000 Sardinians will be made up by volunteers 5000

(c) 15-30 Apr demobilise first four months of 1914 class whose homes are in liberated ITALY 2300

(d) 1-15 May demobilise 1913 and older classes and first four months of 1914 class as soon as BOLOGNA area is liberated. 1000

TOTAL 13,300

4. There will be no loss of clothing vide para 3(b) above. Although every endeavour will be made to recover clothing from demobilised personnel it would be advisable to plan for a loss of 8,300 up to 30 April, being a total of para 3 less para 3 (b).

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5. The older classes have been serving for many years and are therefore less keen and energetic than the younger ones. They also have greater civil responsibilities, including family ones. It is politically desirable to demobilise these older classes. In fact the Ministry of War have been pressing this for some time and are now more insistent, in view of the very satisfactory and successful results of their efforts to produce adequate manpower.

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6. I therefore strongly recommend the programme outlined in para 3. Will you please say urgently if you agree, in order that the Italian Ministry of War may have sufficient time to implement the scheme.

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Major General.
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Recommend that credit balance of 30,400 be accounted for as under:

(a)	1-15 Apr demobilise 1913 and older classes whose homes are in liberated Italy and who are <u>due</u> for demobilisation under present regulations.	2000
(b)	Suspend 1914-15 classes in SICILY call-up	 3,000
	" 1914-15 " " SARDINIA " "	 4,000
	but estimate that a deficiency of 2,000 Sardinians will be made up by volunteers	 5,000
(c)	15-31 Apr demobilise first four months of 1914 class at present in liberated Italy	 2,300
(d)	15 Apr - 15 May demobilise 1913 and older classes and first four months as soon as BOLOGNA area is liberated incl first four months <i>of 1914 class.</i>	 4,000
(e)	Available in Depots (as 1 Apr) as reinforcements and as replacements for further demobilisable personnel as Allies advance	17,100
		<u>30,400</u>

Cancel 12000 credits out on left side.

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SUGGESTED DEMOBILISATION PLAN FOR APR AND MAY 45.

Commitments for APR and MAY.

Formation of Units on new BR-ITI Priority List (incl two new BR-ITI gd bns)	....	8,000
Five new tpt coys BR-ITI for A.C.	....	2,500
Three new gd bns ITI-ITI	....	2,400
Five new patriot recco bns	....	2,500
Wastage for two months, 45,000 combat in line at 3.75%	....	3,360
240,000 service tps at 1.37%	....	6,440
Credit bal.		30,400
		<u>55,500</u>

Availability for

Personnel in camps as at 1

AFRAGOLA	.....	4
TRANI	.....	4
ORVIETO	.....	4
FROSINONE	.....	3
ASTRONI	.....	2

Apr call ups : SICILY III 1
SARDINIA YS

" " " II 2
" " " CALABRIA YS 1
GARIBALDI Div and repatriate
Volunteers : Recce Bns 2
Combat 1
Service 1

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SUGGESTED DEMOBILISATION PLAN FOR APR AND MAY 45.

1 MAY.

new BR-ITI Priority List (bns)		8,000
TI for A.C.	....	2,500
TI	....	2,400
bns	....	2,500
45,000 combat in line	....	3,360
240,000 service tps at	....	6,440
		30,400
		<u>55,500</u>

Availability for APR and MAY.

Personnel in camps as at 1 Apr

AFRAGOLA	.....	4,000	
TRANI	.....	4,500	
ORVIETO	.....	4,500	
FROSINONE	.....	3,000	
ASTRONI	.....	2,000	18,000

Apr call ups :	SICILY III	1911/24-6000	16,000
	SARDINIA YS	1924/25-2000	
	"	II 1915/178000	1,000
	"	"	
	CALABRIA YS	1924/5 14,000	14,000
GARIBALDI Div and repatriates			3,500
Volunteers :	Recco Bns	2,500	
	Combat	1,000	
	Service	500	4,000
			<u>55,500</u>

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SUBJECT: Manpower Situation - Italian Army

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (AMIA)
SD/71

Mar 45

A.F.H.Q. (3)

1. The manpower situation in the Italian Army is now such that all units are virtually up to strength (less of course certain specialists) and the only outstanding portion of the ceiling is approx 20,000 ER-ITI service personnel.

2. The intake during the months of April and May is estimated at 36,000 and even allowing for wastage the action recommended in para 3 below is more than covered.

3. In view of this satisfactory state of affairs I recommend the undermentioned:

(a) I-15 Apr demobilise 1913 and older classes whose homes are in liberated Italy and who are due for demobilisation under present regulations 2000

(b) suspend 1914 and 15 class in Sicily call-up phase III 3000

suspend 1914 and 15 class in Sardinia call-up phase II 4000

but estimate that a deficiency of 2000 Sardinians will be made up by volunteers 5000

(c) 15-30 Apr demobilise first four months of 1914 class whose homes are in liberated Italy 2300

(d) I-15 May demobilise 1913 and older classes and first four months of 1914 class as soon as BOLCONA area is liberated 4000

TOTAL 13300

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2. The intake during the months of April and May is estimated at 38,000 and even allowing for wastage the action recommended in para 3 below is more than covered.

3. In view of this satisfactory state of affairs I recommend the undermentioned:

(a) I-15 Apr demobilise I9I3 and older classes whose homes are in liberated Italy and who are due for demobilisation under present regulations 2000

(b) suspend I9I4 and I5 class in Sicily call-up phase III 3000

suspend I9I4 and I5 class in Sardinia call-up phase II 4000

but estimate that a deficiency of 2000 Sardinians will be made up by volunteers 5000

(c) I5-30 Apr demobilise first four months of I9I4 class whose homes are in liberated Italy 2300

(d) I-15 May demobilise I9I3 and older classes and first four months of I9I4 class as soon as BOLOGNA area is liberated 4000

TOTAL 13300

4. There will be no loss of clothing vide para 3(b) above. Although every endeavour will be made to recover clothing from demobilised personnel it would be advisable to plan for a loss of 8,300 up to 30 April, being a total of para 3 less para 3 (b).

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Sheet 2.

5. I am particularly anxious that these older classes should in fact be demobilised and so ~~in some small measure~~ show our appreciation to the Italian Ministry of War for the recent efforts they have made to popularise the Italian Army.

6. Will you please say as soon as possible if you agree to the programme as proposed in para 3.

tvs.

Major General
E. M. I. A.

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M. I. A.

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B.

G.I. (4)

SUBJECT: Call-up situation

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LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

File No. SD/71 ←

March 45

File

TO	:	G.O.C.	ST
		2 1/0	ORD
		Q (3)	MED
		<u>Cen. FIDLEY</u>	<u>REAR</u>

Ats for your information is Call-up situation as at 1 March.

Lt. Col.
O. S.

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SECRETC A L L S - U P

DATES	DISTRICT & CLASSIFICATION	TARGET	OBTAINED	PERCENTAGE
<u>1944</u>				
5 Oct - 15 Oct	LAZIO - 1914-24 Classes	14,000	4,000	28.5
25 Oct - 7 Nov	CAMPANIA - 1914-24 Classes	10,000	3,740	37.4
27 Oct - 2 Nov	FOGGIANA - 1914-24 Classes	5,000	200	4.0
1 Dec - 15 Dec	ABRUZZI - 1914-24 Classes	6,000	2,000	33.3
15 Dec - 5 Jan	SICILY - 1922-24 Classes (Phase I)	8,000	To date 11,683	To date 83.4
6 Jan - to date	SICILY - 1914-21 Classes (Phase II)	6,000		
20 Jan - 31 Jan	LAZIO - 1914-24 (Exemptions)	5,000	To date 4,131	To date 82.6
20 Jan - 31 Jan	CAMPANIA - 1914-24 (Exemptions)	6,400	To date 4,639	To date 72.5
1 Feb - 14 Feb	SARDINIA - 1914-24 Classes (Phase I)	10,000	10,000	100.0
10 Feb - 25 Feb	APULIA - (1924(2) - 25 Classes (1919 - 25 Hebrew Classes)	20,000	To date 18,206	To date 91.0

F U T U R E C A L L S

15 Mar - 31 Mar	SARDINIA - 1924-25 Classes (Phase III)	6,000
1 Apr - 15 Apr	SICILY - 1914-21 Classes (Phase III)	6,000
1 Apr - 15 Apr	SARDINIA - 1914-24 Classes (Phase II)	10,000

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TRANSLATION

SUBJECT:- Call up and Recruiting Operations

S M R E
13865/MOB
9 Mar 45

MMIA

INFO: MIN OF WAR (Cabinet)
MIN OF WAR (General Directorate)

1. As it may be noted, a large number of military under arms (approx 50% of the strength) has its own civilian residence on territory not yet liberated. Many of these soldiers belong to older classes; and for whom the discharge from the Army has been arranged. Most of them are without news from their families since Sept 43.
2. Gradually as the regions of occupied ITALY become liberated and become accessible, it will be necessary, for obvious moral reasons, to adopt measures that allow these soldiers to go back to their families as soon as possible :- to be discharged from the Army if (belonging to class 1914) or sent on leave in order to avoid having absentees. and previous to
3. The strength of the Army in consequence will undergo continuous and considerable reductions (in addition to the normal ones) and this will affect seriously the efficiency of the units.

Also, it is well to bear in mind, that occupied ITALY may be liberated, partly or as a whole, in a short space of time. In this case, the reduction of strength would assume such proportions as to cause difficult problems.

4. Considering the above, it is thought necessary and urgent to complete a start in time, call up and recruiting operations in liberated ITALY, with a view to allow to make good actual deficiencies of units and obtain men of younger classes, which would fill the inevitable reductions of strength referred to above.

This is mentioned mostly because of the call up and recruiting programme, laid down for March and April, to which amendments have been made, which will delay the presentation for army services, of a large number of military personnel.

The above is forwarded to you for whatever action you may consider necessary to take in order not to be taken by surprise by such events.

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signed

Chief of the General Staff

Under
ALP
SAF

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

SEGRETO
IN

N° 48865 / Mob. di prot.

P.M. 3800, 11 9 marzo 1945

OGGETTO : operazioni richiamo e chiamata alle armi.

→ ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.) ROMA
e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - Gabinetto
- Uff. Coordinamento -

P.M. 3800

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - Direzione Generale
Leva Sottufficiali e Truppa

P.M. 3800

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- 1°) - Come é noto, un considerevole numero dei militari alle armi (circa il 50% della forza) ha la propria residenza civile nel territorio ancora occupato. Molti di questi militari appartengono a classi anziane, di cui é stato già disposto il ricollocamento in congedo. Quasi tutti sono privi di notizie dei propri congiunti dal settembre 1943.
- 2°) - Man mano che le regioni dell'Italia occupata verranno liberate e saranno rese accessibili, occorrerà, per evidenti ragioni di natura morale, adottare provvedimenti che consentano ai suddetti militari di recarsi in famiglia al più presto possibile per congedo (se di classi anteriori al 1914) od in licenza onde evitare l'arbitrario allontanamento dei militari stessi.
- 3°) - La forza alle armi subirà in conseguenza continue e notevoli decurtazioni (in aggiunta a quelle normali), che incideranno seriamente sull'efficienza dei reparti.
E' anche da tener presente che l'Italia occupata potrebbe essere liberata, in gran parte o tutta, in breve tempo. In tal caso la diminuzione della forza assumerebbe proporzioni preoccupanti.
- 4°) - Per quanto sopra si ritiene necessario ed urgente predisporre tempestivamente il completamento o l'inizio delle operazioni di richiamo e di chiamata alle armi, nelle regioni dell'Italia liberata, allo scopo di ripianare le deficienze in atto nei reparti ed ottenere elementi di classi giovani, tali da poter compensare le inevitabili riduzioni di forza di cui sopra.

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Ciò tanto più che il programma di richiami e chiamate, previsto per i mesi di marzo e di aprile, ha già subito varianti, che ritarderanno la presentazione alle armi di un sensibile numero di militari.

Tanto si rappresenta a codesta M.M.I.A. per quei provve^udimenti, soprattutto di carattere logistico, che crederà opportuno adottare per non essere sorpresi dagli avvenimenti.



IL CAPO DI S.M. DELL'ESERCITO

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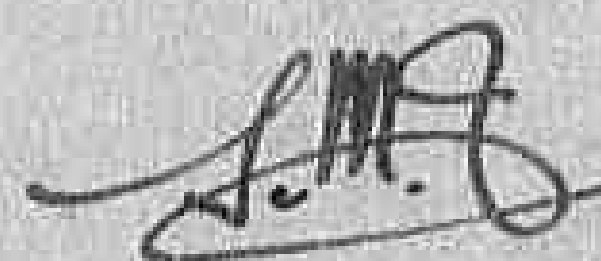
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Q (3)
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Att at Appx "A" is chart showing projected call-ups
for MAR, APR and MAY.

This is subject to alteration when it is known how
many personnel are due for demobilization.

10/11/71

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Lt. Col.
G.S.
M.M.I.

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See folio 25

CALLS and RECALLS MAR. APR. MAY

DATE	REGION	CLASS	TOTAL	A L L O C A T I O N						
				ASTRONI	AFRAG	TRIANI	ORV	GESANO	FROSINO	III direct.
<u>MARCH</u>										
1-14	SARDINIA	I	1920/24	8000	5000	2000	1000			1000
15-18	"	II	1919	2000	1000					
18-31	"	III YS	1924/5	4000			3400++		600++	4000
1-31	SICILY	II	1918/24	1500	850	250				
	roundup									
4-19	APULIA	YS	(dispersal)	10000	4400	2100	2600(-)		1400	
			<u>MAR</u>	25500	9400	3050	3350	6000	2000	1400
<u>APRIL</u>										
1-15	SICILY	III	1914/24	6000		2500				1000
1-4	SARDINIA	YS	1924/25	2000			1000		1000	
5-15	"	II	1915/17	2000	3000	3000				2000
			<u>APR</u>	16000	NIL	5500	5500	1000	1000	3000
<u>MAY</u>										
1-15	CALABRIA	YS	1924/5	14000	4000		4000	4000	2000	

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CALLS and RECALLS MAR. APR. MAY

CLASS	TOTAL	A L L O C A T I O N						
		ASTRONI	AFRAG	TRANI	ORV	CESANO	FROSINO	ITI direct.
10/24	8000	5000	2000					1000
19	2000		1000	1000				
24/5	4000				3400++		600++	
18/24	1500		850	250				400/
dispersal)	10000	4400		2100	2600(--)		1400	
<u>MAR</u>	25500	9400	3850	3350	6000		2000	1400
24/24	6000		2500	2500				1000
24/25	2000				1000		1000	
25/17	8000		3000	3000				2000
<u>APR</u>	16000	NIL	5500	5500	1000		1000	3000
24/5	14000	4000			4000	4000	2000	

++ Neither camp can accept
until first April week
Guard Bns FBS
(--) This incl 500 switch
from TRANI

CALLE and RECALLS MAR. APR. MAY

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<u>MARCH</u>				ASTRONI	AFRAG	TRIANI	ORV	CESANO	FROSINO	ITI direct.
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15-18	"	II	1919	2000	1000	1000				
18-31	"	III YS	1924/5	4000			3400++		600++	
3-31	SICILY	II	1918/24	1500	250	250				400p
	roundup									
1-19	APULIA	YS	(dispersal)	10000	4400	2100	2600(-)		1400	
			<u>MAR</u>	25500	9400	3850	6000		2000	1400
<u>APRIL</u>										
1-15	SICILY	III	1914/24	6000		2500				1000
1-4	SARDINIA	YS	1924/25	2000			1000		1000	
5-15	"	II	1915/17	8000	3000	3000				2000
			<u>APR</u>	16000	NIL	5500	1000		1000	3000
<u>MAY</u>										
1-15	CALABRIA	YS	1924/5	14000	4000		4000	4000	2000	

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CALLS and RECALLS MAR. APR. MAY

CLASS	TOTAL	A L L O C A T I O N						
		ASTRONI	AFRAG	TRANI	ORV	CESANO	FROSINO	ITI direct.
0/24	8000	5000	2000					1000
2/5	2000		1000	1000				
2/5	4000				3400++		600++	
3/24	1500		850	250				400p
Special)	10000	4400		2100	2600(—)		1400	
<u>MAR</u>	25500	9400	3850	3350	6000		2000	1400
1/21	6000		2500	2500				1000
4/25	2000				1000		1600	
5/17	8000		3000	3000				2000
<u>APR</u>	16000	NIL	5500	5500	1000		1000	3000
4/5	14000	4000			4000	4000	2000	

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until first April week
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SUBJECT: Calls-in-Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)30/72
10 Mar 45.20 : Executive Commissioner,
A.C.copy to: Civil Affairs Sec, A.C.
Public Safety Sub Com, A.C.Attached hereto for information is copy of schedule
of projected calls and re-calls for period MAR/APR/MAY.

tvs.

Major General
M.M.I.A.

INTERNAL:

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SUBJECT: Calls-up - Correspondence.

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

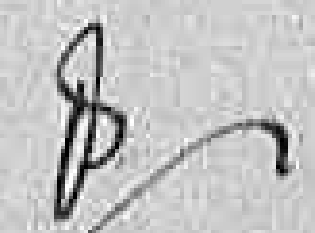
8 SD/71
Mar 45

TO : Executive Commissioner,
A.C.

Reference your 8270/65/EC of 5 Mar 45, para 3, second sentence.

Please see distribution of this H. SD 2378 of 2 Mar, copy
attached for easy reference.

tvb.


Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT: Call-Up FiguresLand Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.W.I.A.)

SD/71

6 Mar 45

TO : Deputy Head P.W.E.
Information and Censorship Section
U.S.M.F.O. 512Copy to: P.R.O. A.C.Ref your letter of 1 March addressed to
Colonel Kerr MMIA.

1. The information contained in the attached state gives figures of the Sardinia and Apulia call-ups, showing targets and results obtained. It will be seen that both call-ups reached the target figure which is an excellent indication that the Italian people are responding to the call of their country.
2. These figures may be published if desired.

cgl.

J. H. Selby Kapu
Major General
M.W.I.A.

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R-2

Call-up SARDINIA (Phase I)

1914 - 24 classes

Period of call-up 1 Feb - 14 Feb

Target 10,000

Obtained 10,000 slight excess being carried to
next phase of call-up.Call-up APULIA

1924 (2) - 25 classes and 1919 - 25 Hebrew classes

Period of call-up 10 Feb - 25 Feb

Target 20,000

Obtained :-

to 25 Feb	15,397
to 2 Mar	19,427

to date	figures not to hand but informed target has been reached.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 INFORMATION AND CENSORSHIP SECTION
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
 ITALIAN THEATRE HEADQUARTERS
 P.W.B. UNIT No. 12 U.S.A.P.O. 512

CONFIDENTIAL

Colonel C.P. Kerr,
 M.M.I.A.
 A.C.

1st March 1945.

Dear Colonel Kerr,

We have received the following cable from P.I.D. Foreign Office:

"Macmillan according to Sprigge referred in press statement February 25th to excellent recruiting figures under new call-up showing real enthusiasm. Can you quote these figures and can they be released for propaganda?"

I understand that the recruiting figures referred to, cannot on security grounds, be released for propaganda. P.I.D. are also concerned with supplying background information to various Government departments in London, and it will be much appreciated if you could let us know what the recruiting figures are, on the strict understanding that they will not be released for propaganda in any form, unless we have authorisation from you.

This information will also be valuable as a background for our propaganda treatment of the Italian Army and the call-up.

W. S. H. H. H.

Deputy Head,
 PWB (Liberated Italy) H.Q.

Capt. Maxwell

M.M.I.A.	1/3
FILE REF	50/41
Date Recd	1/1

*Could you please let me have
 copies of any "States" showing recent
 call-up figures in Sardinia-Sicily &
 Apulia - I will send on to PWB. 2/3*

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Subject : Italian Call-ups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
A/30

5 Mar.45.

HQ I District
CMT .

Ref : Your ID/I35/A of 2 March 45.

1. Whilst this HQ is able to state that it is not intended, under present arrangements, to organise Call-ups in I District during April or May, it is not possible to forecast with any degree of accuracy what the call-up situation is likely to be over the next six months.

2. It is therefore regretted that it is not possible to say that a civilian employee now working for an Allied Unit will be free from liability for Military Service for longer than two months.

[Signature]
P.J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Date Recd	<i>[Handwritten: 11]</i>

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 735

5 March 1945

Ref: 8270/65/EC

SUBJECT: Call-up.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)

1. With reference to your signals SD 2376 and SD 2378 dated 2 Mar 45, your attention is drawn to the Regional Data from which Appendix "A" to your SD/71 dated 5 Feb 45 was compiled. Also Office Memorandum No.1 dated 12 Jan 45, Appendix "B".
2. Distribution of SD 2376 will need to be amended from Regional Commissioner CALABRIA to Regional Commissioner SOUTHERN Region.
3. As regards SD 2378 you will note the Region concerned is known as SICILIA Region. Has a copy of this signal been sent to Public Safety Sub-Commission?

See memo (21)

E. Shorden
Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Commissioner

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M.M.I.A.	19/6/3
FILE REF	SD/41
Date Recd	1/1

SECRET

TO : O.C.G.

file 5871

Ref your note att.

CALL-UPS & AFM

1. The call-up situation is set out in simple form at Appendix "A". This shows that the big improvement took place in Jan, after the various methods enumerated in AFM 15/0/4 of 1 Jan had taken effect. The present situation of the combat groups is set out at Appx "B".
2. Owing to the fact that in the early days call-ups only yielded 50% of their target figure, we arranged twice the number of call-ups in order to reach the figures desired by AFM. As will be seen from Appx "A", the call-up figures for Feb have reached about 100% and AFM has given us permission to regulate the call-ups according to:-
 - (a) requirements for Rfts and for formation of units, and
 - (b) capacity of Base Depots.
3. All units authorized to be formed are either up to strength or will be up to strength within the next 5 to 10 days (when they will have functioned) less, of course, certain specialists. This is a good achievement as two months ago units were 15 to 20 thousand understrength and there were urgently requiring more personnel.
4. All categories are complete less 21,000 AFM service personnel. A month ago we knew we should have the required personnel by now and on 4 Feb we asked AFM to revise the priority list (which had inevitably lagged during the difficult period Oct to Jan). I understand from AFM over the phone, that in response to a reminder from us, they have written to say they are still undecided but do not think they will require the sum of units for the full 21,000. This is considered bad AFM planning as AFM has:-
 - (a) repeatedly instructed us to obtain personnel to fill the ceiling
 - (b) approved our call-up arrangements for so doing.

It is considered bad AFM staff work not to be able to say within a month the formation of what new units should be started upon. However, Brig A.M. knows the position.

PATRIOTS

5. The undermentioned patriots have been absorbed into the Italian Army during months as specified:-

Oct	650
Nov	290
Dec	204
Jan	450
Feb	2500
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- (a) requirements for rifle and for formation of units, and
- (b) capacity of Base Depots.

3. All units authorized to be formed are either up to strength or will be up to strength within the next 8 to 10 days (when they will have functioned) less, of course, certain specialists. This is a good achievement as two months ago units were 15 to 20 thousand understrength and there were urgently requiring more personnel.

4. All categories are complete less 21,000 BA-III service personnel. A month ago we knew we should have the required personnel by now and on 4 Feb we asked AMH to revise the priority list (which had inevitably lapsed during the difficult period Oct to Jan). I understood from AMH over the phone, that, in response to a reminder from us, they have written to say they are still undecided but do not think they will require the sum of units for the full 21,000. This is considered bad AMH planning as AMH has:-

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- (b) approved our call-up arrangements for so doing.

It is considered bad AMH staff work not to be able to say within a month the formation of what new units should be started upon. However, Brig AMH knows the position.

PATRIOTS

5. The undermentioned patriots have been absorbed into the Italian Army during months as specified:-

Oct	658
Nov	590
Dec	506
Jan	480
Feb	2800
	<u>4506</u>

6. We are enrolling up to approx 500 patriots per month direct into the forward Combat Groups as required. We plan to take in 500 patriot volunteers during March, into COMB-40. We are planning to absorb approx 2,500 patriots into patriot bases and vide file 10/26 of 1 March 47.

7. There are 6 screening agencies (15 all ranks) operating in the field under Patriot Branch 10. 5 additional screening agencies are being formed from within the existing screening agency calling for duty in screening the 5 patriot bands about to be incorporated into the Army as Reserve Base vide para 6.

March 1948

Lt. Col.
D. S.

Copy to: 2 1/3; AM: 5/20/48

Appendix "A" to letter of
Lt. Col. S. M. INGLEDEN to
G.C.O., MIA, March 45

CALLS - U P

DATE	DISTRICT & CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	OBTAINED	PERCENTAGE
<u>1944</u>				
5 Oct - 15 Oct	LAZIO - 1914-24 Classes	14,000	4,000	28.6
25 Oct - 7 Nov	CAMPANIA - 1914-24 Classes	10,000	5,740	57.4
27 Oct - 2 Nov	PUGLIA - 1914-24 Classes	5,000	200	4.0
1 Dec - 15 Dec	ABRUZZI - 1914-24 Classes	6,000	2,000	33.3
15 Dec - 5 Jan	SICILY - 1922-24 Classes (Phase I)	6,000	11,885	To date 85.4
6 Jan - to date	SICILY - 1914-21 Classes (Phase II)	6,000		
20 Jan - 31 Jan	LAZIO - 1914-24 (Exemptions)	5,000	To date 4,151	To date 83.0
20 Jan - 31 Jan	CAMPANIA - 1914-24 (Exemptions)	6,400	To date 4,639	To date 72.5
1 Feb - 14 Feb	SARDINIA - 1914-24 Classes (Phase I)	10,000	10,000	100.0
10 Feb - 25 Feb	APULIA - (1924-25) - 25 Classes (1919 - 25 Hebrew Classes)	20,000	To date 18,206	To date 91.0

FUTURE CALLS

15 Mar - 31 Mar	SARDINIA - 1924-25 Classes (Phase III)	6,000		
1 Apr - 15 Apr	SICILY - 1914-21 Classes (Phase III)	6,000		
1 Apr - 15 Apr	SARDINIA - 1914-24 Classes (Phase II)	10,000		

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Appendix "B" to letter of
Lt. Col. E. M. INGLETON to
G.O.C., NMIA, March 45

STRENGTH RETURNS
as at 1800 hrs 04 Feb 1945

GRUPPO	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENCY	FIGHTING STRENGTH	DEFICIENCY	TAKEN ON STRENGTH	STUCK OFF STRENGTH
FRIULI	466) 9167 8889)	157 Surplus	466) 9017 8881)	47 Surplus	2) 390 888)	58 ORS
CHENONA	451) 9035 8847)	38 Surplus	504) 8995 8495)	4	16) 495 477)	8) 108 98)
LIONARO	501) 9452 9147)	656 Surplus	488) 8968 8488)	32	9) 65 56)	8) 81 75)
FULGORE	501) 9409 8998)	499 Surplus	497) 9098 8611)	98 Surplus	8) 275 867)	8) 258 868)
MANIOVA	484) 9812 8883)	312 Surplus	484) 9977 7543)	1025	86) 110 86)	15) 212 197)

	TOTAL REFS HELD	TOTAL AVAILABLE	TOTAL UNAVAILABLE	INTAKE	OUT
RTG	391) 11061	58) 888	536) 10173	10509	1199
ICF					

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FROM : AFHQ

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TO : NMIA

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YOUR SD 2364 OF 28 FEBRUARY (SIGNED SACRED CITE PHOCT) AGREED

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FROM: M M I A
TO : A F H Q
REF : SD 2364

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Further to last sentence my SD 2300 of 16 Feb (.) As high
figures for call-ups continue to be maintained recommend postponement
CALABRIA call-up 24/25 class until position warrants

PRECEDENCE :

AUTHENTICATED:

L. M. Ingledew.
*J. F. Cl.*SD Distribution

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SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA

Date 16 1745 Time

TO : AFHQ

SD 2300SECURITY CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL

CALL UPS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED BASED ON FACT THAT ONLY
 50% OF ITALIAN ESTIMATE EVER ARRIVED (.) OWING TO
 STEPS TAKEN TO IMPROVE MATTERS MORE LIKE 85% TO 90%
 ARE NOW ARRIVING VIDE APU LIA AND SARDINIA
 CALL UPS (.) MOV AND ACCOMMODATION CAN NOT COMPLETE
 WITH DOUBLE CALL-UPS ON ABOVE BASIS WHICH MEANS PERSONNEL
 WILL BE INEFFECTIVE UNTIL AIR MACHINERY CAN REPEAT CAN
 COMPLETE (.) THEREFORE AS REQUIRED TOTALS ARE BEING
 REACHED RECOMMEND POSTPONEMENT OF SARDINIA
 RE-CALL PHASE II (1914 TO 24 CLASS) FOR ONE MONTH TO
 APR 1 (.) IF HIGH FIGURES CONTINUE MAY HAVE TO RECOMMEND
 POSTPONEMENT OF CALABRIA CALL-UP 24/26 CLASS TO
 APRIL ALSO

PRECEDENCE Important 16:11AUTHENTICATED S.M. J. (S.M.)
H. G. L.

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see G.O.C.

Originator's Reference; R/203

Message Centre No; D/2222

Date/ Time of Origin; FEB

Date Time Rec'd FEB 171230 A

FROM: HQ AMG REAR 8 ARMY

Precedence; IMMEDIATE

TO: HQ ALCON MMIA AMG 5 ARMY OSI(C) OSI(B) 'A' BRANCH 'Q' BRANCH

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GOC 8th ARMY has no objection to recruiting parades taking place Sunday next. Carabinieri will be instructed to ensure that military traffic is not impeded by parades.

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L Forces SC

Info - A/President

Chief Commissioner

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: R/203
 Date/Time of Origin: FEB

Message Centre No: D/2222
 Date Time Rec'd: FEB 17 1230A
 Precedence: IMMEDIATE

FROM: HQ AMG REAR 8 ARMY
 TO: HQ ALCOM NIAA AMG 5 ARMY GSI(C) GSI (B) 'A' BRANCH 'Q' BRANCH

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

DATE - TIME

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FROM: MMIA

TO: DISTONE - DISTORSE - 52 AREA - 54 AREA

AQ 2803

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FOR MMIA LO (*) SUBJECT IS CALL UP 10 - 25 FEB (*)

CALL UP OF EMPLOYERS OF ITALIAN BR AND SUD EST RAILWAY WILL BE
 DEFERRED TO SAME DATES IN MARCH CMA PENDING CONSIDERATION OF
 EXEMPTION FROM MILITARY SERVICE OF SKILLED PERSONNEL (*)

MEANWHILE ENSURE THAT SUCH EMPLOYEES ARE NOT CALLED UP AND THAT
 ANY WHO MAY ALREADY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED FOR FAILURE TO REPORT
 FOR SERVICE ARE RELEASED FORTHWITH

PRECEDENCE

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 on C.I. request

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FOR ACTION EIGHTH ARMY FOR AMG

1718

14 Feb 1945

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PARA ONE PD YOUR ^{M 762} [MONKEY SEVEN SIX TWO] OF THIRTEEN FEBRUARY PD

PARA TWO FOR ACTION EIGHTH ARMY FOR AMG FROM HE ALGOM CITE
ACPAT PAREN

PARA TWO PD NO PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED TO HOLD RECRUITING
PARADES IN EIGHTH ARMY AREA PD DECISION RESTS ENTIRELY WITH
GOC EIGHTH ARMY

Patriota Branch

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P. Craig, Lt. Col.

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IMPORTANT

MAIN AMG 8TH ARMY

HQ ALCOM FOR PATRIOT BRANCH, INFO: 5TH ARMY FOR AMG. 8TH ARMY

REAR FOR MMIA

RESTRICTED

UNDERSTAND RECRUITING PARADES BEING ORGANISED ON THE
18 FEBRUARY UNDER INSTRUCTIONS OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT (*) HAS THIS
BEEN APPROVED FOR ARMY AREA IF SO BY WHOM (*) NO KNOWN ORGANISATION
AVAILABLE HERE TO DEAL WITH LARGE NUMBERS OF RECRUITS (*) PARADES IN
ARMY AREA UNDESIRABLE

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Action: PATRIOTS BR
Info: A/PRESIDENT
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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Soldiers & Patriots Day Sunday 18th
Bonomi asked Stone for permission to
hold demonstrations. I presume Allies
can say "NO" to parades in Army & AMG
territory. Otherwise rest of Italy will
celebrate according to papers 5 15/2

NFA - Patriots Day
Gen (1) P 1636
get copy of P 16/2
Patriots
reply from file
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FOR INFORMATION ONLY

2/12/45

FEB 14/0700

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MAIN ARMS 3TH ARMY

NO ALCON FOR PATRIOT BRANCH, INFO: 5TH ARMY FOR ARMS. 3TH
ARMY HEAD FOR NMIA.

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Understand recruiting parades being organized on the 18 February
under instructions of Italian Government. Has this been approved for
Army Area if so by whom. No known organization available here to deal
with large numbers of recruits. Parades in Army area undesirable.

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SUBJECT: Regional Data

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SP/71
Feb 45

TO : ALL OFFICERS
HQ MMIA

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is list showing A.C. Regions, location of HQs, and Regional Commissioners.
2. Copies of correspondence on subjects affecting Regions (i.e. Call-up notices etc) will in future be sent to the Regional Commissioner concerned.

L.M. England

Lt. Col.
G. S.

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SD/71 of February 1945REGIONAL DATA

REGION	FORMERLY	2675 REGT COY	R.C. or S.C.A.O.	LOCATION
SICILIA	I	A	Brig. M. CARR, GEN., MC	PALESTRO, SICILY
SARDEGNA	VI	F	Col. J.A.C. PENNYQUICK, DSO	CAGLIARI, SARDINIA
SOUTHERN	II, III & VII	C	Brig. J. K. DUNLOP, GEN., MC., TD	NAPLES, ITALY
LAZIO	IV	D	Col. C. POLETTI	ROME, ITALY
ABRUZZI-MARCHE	V	E	Col. C.H.A. FRENCH, MC	AQUILA, ITALY
TOSCANA	VIII	H	Col. R.G. KIRKWOOD	MONTECATINI, ITALY
EMILIA	IX	I	Col. Alfred C. BOWMAN	RICCIONE, ITALY
LIGURIA	X	N	Col. G.C. FEASEY (A/RC)	CHIANGIANO, ITALY
PIEMONTE		S	Col. Robert P. MARSHALL	" "
LOMBARDIA	XI	R	Lt. Col. A.S. GILES (A/RC)	" "
VENEZIA	XII	M	Lt. Col. N. PAIGE	MONDAINO, ITALY
AMG 5TH ARMY	—	G	Brig. Gen E.E. HUME	—
AMG 8TH ARMY	—	G	Group Capt. C.E. HENSON, DSO	—

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SUBJECT: Call - up Italian ArmyLAND FORCES SUB - COM.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/71
28 Jan 45.To : C.O.S.
A.C.

Ref your 212/101/COS of 23 Jan.

1. Att are copies of this HQ letter SD/44 of 19 Jan for distri-
bution to Regional Commissioners as under:-

- (1) APULIA and LUCANIA
- (2) ABRUZZI, MOLISE and MARCHE

2. A copy of MMIA letter SD/53/1 of 18 Jan subject "Recall SARDINIA
1914 - 24 Classes", was forwarded direct to Regional Commissioner SARDINIA
on 20 Jan 45.

3. A schedule covering all presently projected call - ups was sent
to you for information under ref SD/53/1 dated 18 Jan.

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CirculatorMajor General,
M. M. I. A.

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REGIONAL DATA

<u>REGION</u>	<u>ARMY</u>	<u>2675</u> <u>Regt Coy.</u>	<u>R.C. or E.C.A.D.</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
SICILIA	I	A	Brig. M. Carr, CBE., MC	Palermo, Sicily
SARDEGNA	VI	F	Col. J.A.C. Pennycook, DSO	Cagliari, Sardinia
SOUTHERN	II, III & VII	C	Brig. J. K. Dunlop, CBE., MC., TD	Naples, Italy
LAZIO	IV	D	Col. C. Poletti	Rome, Italy
ABRUZZI-MARCHI	V	E	Col. C.H.A. French, MC	Aquila, Italy
TOSCANA	VIII	H	Col. R.G. Kirkwood	Montecatini, Italy
EMILIA	IX	I	Col. Alfred C. Bennett	Modena, Italy
LIGURIA	X	M	Col. G.C. Pearson (A/MC)	Chiavari, Italy
PIEMONTE		S	Col. Robert B. Marshall	" "
LOMBARDIA	XI	R	Lt. Col. A.S. Giles (A/MC)	" "
VENETIA	XII	N	Lt. Col. M. Paige	Venezia, Italy
ARMY 5th ARMY	—	G	Brig. Gen. R.E. Hume	—
ARMY 8th ARMY	—	G	Group Capt. C.E. Benson, DSO	—

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25 January 1945.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 8270/37/COS.

31 January 1945.

Subject: Call-up for Military Service
in Italian Army.

To: Land Forces Sub Commission (LAFIA).

1. This is to confirm that in all matters affecting the call-up for military service in the Italian Army you will be the originating Sub Commission and will correspond direct with Regional Commissioners.
2. This, of course, includes advising Regional Commissioners of the dates on which the call-up will take place. I must emphasise that considerable advance warning needs to be given of these events to enable Regional Commissioners to consider any steps that may have to be taken and, if necessary, consult the Commission.

Chief Clerk

B/F to Lt. with list of Regional
Commissioners. Att.

For Lt.

Copies of our letters are going
to R. Comm.

B. 3/2.

E. A. D. R.
Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.Copy of list
showing all
Regional Commissioners
passed to all offices
M. A. R. on 5/2/45
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 8270/COS.

28th January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Army Recruiting in SIENA.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission.

1. This is to record in writing my telephone message from SIENA on 17 January.

2. Provincial Commissioner, SIENA informed me that an Italian Army recruiting officer had been to SIENA with a target figure of 1500 volunteers. He got his 1500 and reported that he could get a further 1500 but was told by the Land Forces Sub-Commission to stop recruiting as there was no clothing or equipment.

3. The Chief Commissioner would be glad to know the facts.

MSL/JG.

Chief Clerk.

Did this not receive action in the file some days ago? B. 2/2.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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Subject: Your 805/3/COS

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
SD/71 ←

29 January 1945

To : Chief of Staff,
Headquarters Allied Commission

1. With reference to your note I, immediately upon receipt of your telephone call, this matter was taken up with the Italian War Ministry; and the Italian Army Recruiting Officer was instructed to accept all volunteers, and this is being done throughout Italy. Just how this particular Italian Army Recruiting Officer figured he could only accept a certain number of volunteers is not known, but the War Ministry has issued sufficient instructions to clarify the matter.

2. With reference to your note II regarding Italian Army vehicles in Florence. This matter has been the subject of correspondence between Fifth Army, 15th Army Group and ourselves. In November, Fifth Army directed AMG to return these vehicles to the Italian Army, and in January, 15th Army Group directed Fifth Army to see that this was done. It appears that there are some 60 of these vehicles in the hands of civilians in Florence which Fifth Army is having returned to the Italian Army. Major Van Kirk, our liaison officer, Fifth Army Headquarters, is handling the matter for Fifth Army. The decision has been made by AFHQ and 15th Army Group that these vehicles belong to the Italian Army, and since the whole matter has been handled by the highest military authorities and the contentions of AMG that these vehicles should remain with civilians have been overruled, MMIA is complying with the orders which we have received.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for and in the absence of
Major General BROWNING
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

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26 January 45

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SUBJECT: Recent Inspection Tour of the Chief of Staff

TO : Director, Land Forces Subcommittee

The following notes and observations were made during the Chief of Staff's recent tour of inspection (Jan 17-23) of AMG Fifth Army. Northern provinces of Toscana Region, and Perugia area. They are submitted to you for information and such action as may be appropriate.

- I -

At Siena, 17 Jan 45

Colonel Nichols said that an Italian Army recruiting officer had been to Siena with a target figure of 1500 volunteers. He got his 1500 and reported that he could get a further 1500 but was told by the Land Forces Subcommittee to stop recruiting as there was no clothing or equipment. In view of the deficiency of 48,000 and the intensification of the call-up in the South, this defeats me.

- II -

Discussion with Brigadier General Hume, Florence, 18 Jan 45

Italian Army Lorries - MMIA (Major Van Kirk) came here and removed eight ten-ton lorries which were being used for feeding Florence City. It is doubtful as to whose title is correct over this. The lorries are said to have been sold to the civilian owners by the German Army. MMIA were apparently working on the AFHQ order directing that all Italian Army transport and materials should be taken over by the present Italian Army.

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Joseph C. Rively
Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

SD/53/1 22/3

Ref. 2/2 /101 /COS.

Tel. 478201

23 January 1945

SUBJECT: Procedure.

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA).

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1. With reference to telephone conversation (Lt Col Ingledew - Capt Morden speaking) on the subject of advising Regional Commissioners of matters affecting their territory it is requested that in future you will send them copies of any correspondence concerning which they should be informed.

2. If it is a question of issuing a directive, this Office should be notified and will take the executive action.

E. Morden
Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff.

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*cc. Copies of current Sardinia and Albania
bulletins to COS AC for respective
Regional ~~Commission~~ Commissioners
Done Dec 28/1 22/1.*

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT:- Call-up to Italian ArmyLAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(MIA)
ED/53/1

18 Jan 45

To : Chief of Staff,
HQ A.C.*

Reference your letter 3630/COS of 15 Jan 45.

1. Attached please find schedule of projected call-up.

Signed

S.M. TRIMMER - Lt Col

for

Major General
N M I ASent to :- 3 Cos, GA Section

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Projected Call-ups JAN/FEB/MAR

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Accommodation</u>
1	SICILY	1914-24	January	8,000	Direct to (a) Leon ordered for Miletour (b) CESSANO for Combat, 2nd pr
2	ROME and LATIO	1914-24 (exceptions)	20 Jan - 31 Jan	5,000	1,000 ex VITERBO to CESSANO for combat 4,000 ex rest of region to ASTRONI for
3	CAMPANIA	1914-24 (exceptions)	20 Jan - 31 Jan	6,000	1,000 to IPI-ITI units 5,000 to ABRAGOLA
4	APULIA	1924/25	February	20,000	6,000 US-ITI to ASTRONI, N/W making arrar Div in NAPLES for good accommodation. 6,000 BR-ITI to CIVITANO covered accommo by then have moved to FROSINONE 6,000 combat to CESSANO. Improvements to 2,000 IPI-ITI to IPI Barracks, FROSINONE.
5	SARDINIA	1914-24	February	10,000	3,000 US-ITI to ASTRONI 1,800 BR-ITI to ABRAGOLA 1,200 BR-ITI to ABRAGOLA (against miletour 3,000 combat to CESSANO 1,000 IPI-ITI to FROSINONE
6	SARDINIA	1914-24	March	10,000	Allocation not yet made
7	SARDINIA	1924/25	March 15-31	6,400	Allocation not yet made
8	CALABRIA	1924-24	March	16,000	Allocation not yet made

Projected Call-ans JAN/FEB/MAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Accommodation</u>
January	8,000	Direct to (a) Loan ordered for Miloteur Programme, 1st priority (b) CESANO for Combat, 2nd priority
20 Jan - 31 Jan	5,000	1,000 ex VITERBO to CESANO for combat 4,000 ex rest of region to ASTRONI for FBI
20 Jan - 31 Jan	6,000	1,000 to ITI-ITI units 5,000 to ATRIACOLA
February	20,000	6,000 US-ITI to ASTRONI, N/W making arrangement direct with GOC 212 Div in NAPLES for good accommodation. 6,000 BR-ITI to CIVITANO covered accommodation. Miloteur Cays will by then have moved to MURCHERONE 6,000 combat to CESANO. Improvements being made rapidly. 2,000 ITI-ITI to ITI Barracks, FROSINONE.
February	10,000	3,000 US-ITI to ASTRONI 1,000 BR-ITI to ATRIACOLA 1,200 BR-ITI to ARREZO (against miloteur programme) 3,000 combat to CESANO 1,000 ITI-ITI to FROSINONE
March	10,000	Allocation not yet made
March 15-31	6,400	Allocation not yet made
March	16,000	Allocation not yet made

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 3630/COS

15th January 1945.

SUBJECT: Call-up to Italian Army.

TO : GOC, Land Forces Sub-Com.

1. The call-up for the Italian Army has already given rise to violent disturbances in Sicily and must be regarded as having an effect on the administration and government of the country.
2. The Chief Commissioner therefore wishes that consultation should be made between Land Forces Sub-Commission and Civil Affairs Section before plans for future calls-up are made, in order that the effect on law and order may be taken into account.

MSL/JG.

M. S. Lusk
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: DCOS, CA Section.

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