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REPORTS FROM OFFICER

TURIN

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Feb. 6, 1946 - Jan. 31, 1947

Subject:- C.C. Reports

1 British Liaison Unit.
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29 Oct 46.

To:- HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AG.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

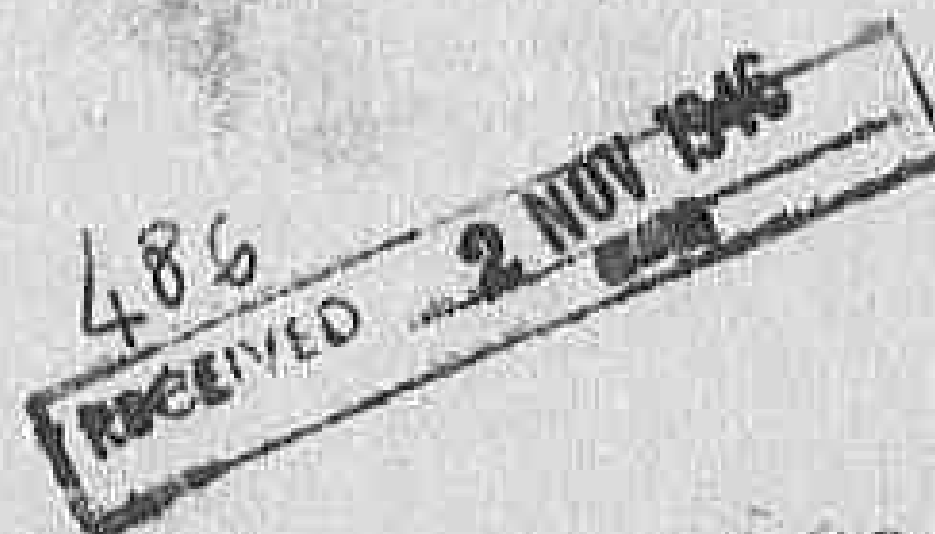
Ref your letter CGRR/G/6/2/14 dated 22 Oct 46.

Attached herewith monthly reports for Sept of the Turin and Genoa Carabinieri.

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(H. FERRO) Major
GSO II



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Carabinieri Territorial Turin

Subject:- Progress report.

Turin 25 Sept. '46

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To:- 1 B.L.U.1 STRENGTH

<u>Authorised</u>	<u>effective</u>	<u>present</u>
2416	2678	1832

On leave- 524 (including 190 on sick leave)

Increases 18 - Decreases 14.

Mobile Bn.

<u>Authorised</u>	<u>effective</u>	<u>present</u>
537	496	401

On leave 65 (including 5 on sick leave)

Increases 5 - Decreases 4.

School Bn Moncalieri

<u>Authorised</u>	<u>effective</u>	<u>present</u>
905	874	834

On leave - 18.

Increases 19 - Decreases 5.

2. TRANSPORT.a) Vehicles, number and type held.

Fiat 1100.....	6
Lancia Artens.....	1
Mercedes.....	1
Auto- Union.....	1
Fiat 500.....	1
Fiat 508.....	1
Fiat 1500.....	2
Lancia Ardea.....	1
Jeep.....	26
Lorries-Spa 38.....	23
" Spa 39.....	2
" Adam Opel.....	1

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" Adam Opel.....	2
" Spa G.L.I.....	1
" Fiat 626.....	1
" G.M.C.....	1
Light lorry-Fiat 508.....	4
m/c lorry-Lancia Ardena.....	1
" Fiat 1100.....	1
Auto tractor Stabbound.....	1
" Spa Laggere.....	2
Motorsidecar Arley Dawson.....	2
" D.M.W. 285.....	1
Motorcar Guzzi 500.....	1
	3

present

401

present

834

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m/cycles Gilera 500.....	5
" Guzzi 500.....	21
" Bianchi 500.....	1
" Benelli 500.....	2
" Guzzi 250.....	1
" D.K.W. 350.....	3
" Gilera 500.....	3
" Guzzi 500.....	21
" Benelli 500.....	2
" Bianchi 500.....	1
" Guzzi 250.....	1
" D.K.W. 350.....	3
Auto-tractors T.M. 40.....	1
" T.M. 37.....	3

Vehicles in dotation to Mobile Bn.

Jeep.....	2
G.M.C.....	16
Dodge.....	5
Ford.....	1
Bedford.....	2
Austin.....	1
Spa 38 R.A.....	9
Staghound.....	12
m/cycle Ariel.....	13
" Norton.....	39
" Matchless.....	8

Vehicles being repaired - Nil -

b) Number of vehicles received during month - Nil -

c) Number of vehicles transferred elsewhere - Nil -

3. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT & ARMS.

The clothing situation is always critical, the quantity of winter clothing is insufficient and does not even consent to fulfill the necessary renewals. While with the cotton uniforms, assigned previously we have only been able to completely dress the soldiers that are on duty in the city of Turin, not including the Mobile Bn. which are still in need of 70 uniforms.

The same as above is the situation regarding rest of equipment. We have already written for what is still needed;

The following items are most urgently needed.

gray green uniforms (woolen).....	2000
K.D.	2500
boots new for marching.....	2500

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boots new for marching.....	2500
socks cotton.....	3000
drawers woolen.....	3500
hoversacks.....	1000
greatcoats.....	1000

ARMS

To complete arms and ammo. of the Units -with the exception of Mobile Bn. and keeping in mind the present organic strength; is needed-

pistols automat. BERETTA Mod. 34.....	3500
cartridges calibre 9 for pistol BERETTA 34.....	15000
" " 9 " rifle BERETTA.....	100000
Machineguns BERDA Mod. 30 calibre 6,5.....	172
cartridges for machine guns BERDA.....	16000
hand grenades for Baracks defence.....	712
cartridges calibre 6,5 for rifle Mod. 91 and 38 to complete	

dotation of soldiers (three cartridges for each arm and to keep a small stock in dump.

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To carry out target practice we would further need:- 15000 hand grenades (already requested to the Comando Generale dell' Arma with letter No. 2156/3-4 dated 16 April 1946) and granted, but not yet collected because 7862 are not available. (letter received from the Comando Generale C.A.M. No. 62/6-5 dated 1 September 1946).

4. TRAINING.

During the past month the following courses have continued:-

Commanding group. courses M/cyclist.

School Bn. Moncalieri Special courses for telephonist, telegraphist, pilots, marconists, armiere autotactors Stabound, topography, long distance signal "Morse alphabet", m/cyclists, drivers, cyclists, typists, steno., trumpeters and medical orderly.

Mobile Bn. Special courses in marconists, mechanics and mechanic repairing, electricians, solers, turners, at the Arsenal of Turin.

19 soldiers have taken Mod. 1 driving licence, and 16 have taken Mod. 2.

5. DISCIPLINE.

a) discipline- Nil.

b) wages- the cost of living is much higher than wages.

c) staff- no promotions.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Nil.

7. MORALE OF CARBINIERI

N.T.R. other than what has been previously reported.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY.

The conditions of Public Safety continue to be abnormal.

From the 15 of Aug. to the 15 of Sept. there has been 1 murder, 7 extorts 20 robberies, of which 10 in private habitations and 17 on the streets, in comparison with the 23 murders, extorts, and robberies that occurred from the 15 of July to the 15 of August.

Other crimes verified during this period have been examined and have been represented in the majority of cases to be more or less simple robberies.

The more accentuated criminal activity have occurred around Torino, Vercelli, Pallanza, Novara, Torino Citta, Pinerolo, Biella, Ivrea, Aosta and Susa,

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Of the above crimes, the persons responsible for the murder and for three extorts have been arrested, also for three robberies that occurred last month.

There have been no murders for political reasons.

9. GENERAL.

The 1st. Company Autotrasportata of the local Mobile Bn, consisting of 110 men, from the 27 of July on duty for reinforcement in Sicily, has rientered complete at the 6 of this month.

Carabinieri Territorial Legion Genova

Subject: Progress report.

Genova, 22 September '46.

To: :- 1 B.L.U.

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1. STRENGTH

<u>Authorised</u>	<u>effective</u>	<u>present</u>
3136	2662	2050

On leave - 385

Mobile Bn.

<u>Authorised</u>	<u>effective</u>	<u>present</u>
555	515	412

On leave - 69 - Decreases 29.

2. TRANSPORT.a) Vehicles, number and type held:

motor-car.....	1
motor-lorry.....	29
auto-tractor.....	2
armoured-car "Staghound".....	12
m/cycle.....	64
m/c lorry.....	1

Vehicles assigned to other Legion Commands

motor-cars.....	48
motor-lorry.....	30
auto-tractor.....	3
light-loadcarriers.....	3
m/c lorry.....	2
trailers.....	1
m/cycles.....	31
utility-car.....	1
Vehs. being repaired locally.....	12

b) Number of vehs. received during month - Nil.
The following vehs. have been recuperated from Parma:-

Motor-car - German type
m/cycle - Terrot 500
m/cycle - Guzzi 500

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On Leave - 385

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555	515	412

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c) Number of vehs. transferred elsewhere - 3.

3. ITEMS ISSUED TO PERSONNEL.

Unit signs for full dress Uniforms.....	100
Ornamented button holes of cloth.....	2550
black ties.....	1000
ornamented button holes in metal bought from private firms, machine-guns "Beretta" mod. 38/42 and 38/44 Cal. 9.....	1100 390
Magazines 20 shots for machine-gun "Beretta".....	780
" 40 " " "	390
Rods cleaning.....	390
leather straps with buckel.....	1500

The a/m machine guns have been distributed to the Mobile Bn.

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4. TRAINING.

Driving instruction is continuing, also courses of instruction for the constitution of the legion and Mobile Bn. repair Wkspas.

1 officer attending 3 week course on Armoured-cars, Rome.
1 carabinieri attending 8 week course on repairing of Armoured-cars, Rome.
10 soldiers attending 2 months course on m/cycle driving.

5. DISCIPLINE.

Nil.

6. COMMUNICATIONS.

No telephones have been fitted during the month.

7. MORALE OF CARABINIERI.

The usual complaints persist among the carabinieri:-that depend especially upon the delay of judgment, the non payment of allowances due to Apuntati and Carabinieri returned for service after disbandment; slowness of lodging indemnity; deficiency of bedding.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY.

No matter how hard the carabinieri and other police forces try to stop or limitate criminal activity the conditions of Public Safety continue to be abnormal.

9. GENERAL.

The barracks of Imperia have not as yet been returned to us by the Questura.

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(signed) Lt. Col. Accongiagioco Giuseppe.

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SUBJECT : CC. Reports.LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
H. H. I. A. ROSS.

OCS/3/6/2/14

22 October 1946H.H. I. B.L.U.

1. It would be appreciated if you could forward to this section the monthly report of the CC. Legions of 1 Bds. These reports were formerly forwarded by CC.H. L.O.
2. The reports have not been received for the month of September.

C. HAYES,
Major,
C.S.O. II, CC.H. Branch.

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CC.H. TO : B.B.L.U.

CARABINIERI TERRITORIAL REGION OF LIGURIA
PIACENZA GROUP126/8 div. I
1st Sept. 46TO : A.O. I.O. I.S.T., BOLOGNA, and
Carabinieri Territorial Region I.O., GENOA, FOR INFO.RETURN on strength of Piacenza Prov., on 31st August 1946.GSO I
GSO II (F)
GSO II (S)
GSO III (F)
DAA & ON

PROVINCE of:	Authorized Strength:			Effective Strength:			A b s e n t							
							Officers				C. R. s.			
PIACENZA	Officers	C. R. s.	TOTAL	Officers	C. R. s.	TOTAL	In Hospital	On convalescent leave	On leave	For other reasons	In Hospital	On convalescent leave	On leave	For other reasons.
	5	264	269	4	224	228	-	-	-	-	3	6	33	10

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Gianni Francesco Bozzi
Group Commr.

CARABINIERI TERRITORIAL LEGION OF GENOA
PIACENZA GROUP

(TRANSLATION)

S E E N		Date
1st Lt.		
2nd Lt.		
GSO II (P)		
GSO II (S)		
GSO III (TSS)		
DAA & QMC		

I.T., BOLOGNA, and
 erri Territorial Legion I.T., GENOA, FOR I.T.O.
 length of Piacenza Prov., on 31st August 1946.

Effective Strength:		A b s e n t									Effective present strength less absents:		
		Officers				O. R. s.							
O. R. s.	TOTAL	In Hospital	On convalescent leave	On leave	For other reasons	In Hospital	On convalescent leave	On leave	For other reasons.	TOTAL	Officers	O. R. s.	TOTAL
324	328	1	1	1	1	3	6	35	10	54	3	169	172

Counter Espionage Personnel:
TOTAL: 174

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TOTAL: 174

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 Giovanni Francesco Pozzini, Capt.
 Group Commr.

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Carroll
David Jones

N. 125/8 41 prot. div. I.

Risposto al foglio n. 107726, P.S. / 28 del 31-10-1945

ATTACHED COMMISSION LIAISON, OFFICE I.C.T.

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AL COMANDO REGIONE IRR. CARARINIBIT- OFFICIO COMANDO

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IL CAPITANO COMANDANTE IL T. DEL GRUPPO
SQUADRA. (L'ingegner Francesco Bossini)

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SUBJECT : Monthly Report July 1946.

1 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
G 3/13

HQ M. M. I. A.
Carabinieri Section
ROME

1 Aug 1946

CC.R.R.

1. STRENGTH :-

Turin Legion

<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
2,416	2,648	2,152	- 67
Soldiers on leave :- 335, 210 in convalescent leave.			

Turin Mobile Bn

<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
537	496	453	- 37
Soldiers on leave :- 33, 1 in convalescent leave.			

School Bn - MONCAGLIARI

<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
905	637	623	- 37

On 30th June 46, on orders from GHQ Carabinieri, the "Compagnia Speciale di Torino" composed of 150 ORs has been transferred to the Naples Legion.

Genoa Legion

<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
3,136	2,668	2,309	
Soldiers on leave :- 108			

1 Officer and 100 ORs have been sent to Sicily, as reinforcements.

Genoa Mobile Bn

<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
555	529	475	- 55
Soldiers on leave :- 24			

This Battalion is still on duty at MODENA.

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Alessandria Legion

<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
2,235	1,711	1,590	+ 18

Soldiers on leave :- 99 (including those on convalescent leave).

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2. TRANSPORT :-Turin LegionMobile Bn

a)

i) No. held :-	
37 - M/Cs	60 - M/Cs
14 - Motorcars	2 - Jeeps
3 - Light lorries	9 - Light lorries
25 - Trucks	25 - Trucks
2 - SPA Arm'd Cars	12 - Arm'd Cars
5 - Tractors	
26 - Jeeps	

ii) Vehicles under local repair :-

12 - M/Cs	} held by the Mobile Bn
1 - Truck	

iii) Vehicles awaiting spare parts :-

1 - SPA Truck 38	} held by the Legion
4 - SPA Tractors	
1 - Jeep, held by Mobile Bn, now under repair in Wsps at Venaria, Turin.	

iv) B.I.R. :-

1 - Truck "Dodge"	} held by Mobile Bn, and awaiting orders
1 - Truck "CIC"	

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b) Vehicles received during the last month :-

15 - M/Cs "Guzzi", allocated by Ministry of War, collected on 29 June 46, from 3 Terr Comd - Milan. Held by Turin Legion.

c) Vehicles transferred :-

1 - Arm'd Car "SPA 38 L 35" handed in to 1st Riparto Riparazioni, Terr Comd - Turin, on 22 June 46.

Genoa LegionMobile Bn

a)

i) No. held :-	
25 - M/Cs	65 - M/Cs
36 - Motorcars	1 - Motorcar
30 - Trucks	30 - Trucks
3 - Light lorries	2 - Tractors
3 - Tractors	12 - Arm'd Cars
2 - Trailers	

26 - Jeeps

ii) Vehicles under local repair :-

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 at Venaria, Turin.

iv) B.L.R. :-

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 1 - Truck "GEO" } from Terr Comd, Turin.

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Mobile BnGenoa Legion

a)

i) No. held :-

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 36 - Motorcars
 30 - Trucks
 3 - Light lorries
 3 - Tractors
 2 - Trailers
 2 - Vans
 6 - Horse Drawn Carts.

65 - M/Cs
 1 - Motorcar
 30 - Trucks
 2 - Tractors
 12 - Arm'd Cars

ii) Under local repair :-

11 - M/Cs
 4 - Motorcars
 9 - Trucks.

iii) B.L.R. :-

NIL

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2. TRANSPORT

Genoa Legion (Cont'd)

- b) Vehicles received during the last month :-
6 - Jeeps, collected from 7 EYP - Florence. The following distribution has been made :-

- 1 - to Imperia Coy
- 1 - to Finale Ligure Section
- 1 - to Borgo Val di Taro Section
- 1 - to Cairo Montenotte Section
- 1 - to Bobbio Section
- 1 - to Trionza Station.

The following vehicles have been recovered :-

- 1 - Motorcar Fiat 508 by Imperia Tenenza
- 1 - Motorcar Fiat 1100 by La Spezia Group.

c) Vehicles Transferred :-

- 1 - Truck, handed in to 2nd Repart Riparazioni - Genoa.
- 1 - Van } derequisitioned and returned to the owners.
- 3 - M/Cs }

c) Alessandria Legion

a)

i) No. held :-

- 39 - M/Cs
- 144 - Bicycles
- 28 - Vans
- 11 - Motorcars
- 26 - Light lorries
- 3 - Trucks.

- ii) V.O.R :- Under local repair :-
13

Awaiting spares :-
2

iii) B.L.R. :-

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B) Vehicles received during the last month :-

- 12 - Bicycles, recovered.
- 4 - Jeeps, collected from 7 EYP - Florence during June 1946.

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The following vehicles have been recovered :-

- 1 - Motorcar Fiat 508 by Imperia Tenenza
- 1 - Motorcar Fiat 1100 by La Spezia Group.

c) Vehicles transferred :-

- 1 - Truck, handed in to 2nd Repart Riparazioni - Genoa.
- 1 - Van } derequisitioned and returned to the owners.
- 5 - M/Cs }

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Alessandria Legion

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3	-	Trucks.

ii) V.O.R :- Under local repair :-

13

Awaiting spares :-

2

iii) B.L.R. :-

N I L

b) Vehicles received during the last month :-

- 12 - Bicycles, recovered.
- 4 - Jeeps, collected from 7 MVP - Florence during June 1946.

The following distribution has been made :-

- 1 - to Ceva Section
- 1 - to Dronero Section
- 1 - to San Dalmazio di Tenda Station
- 1 - to Canale Station.

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3. CLOTHING EQUIPMENT AND ARMS :-

The following clothing ^{has} ~~has~~ been received :-

Turin Legion

250 khaki uniforms.

Genoa Legion

Allocated from CHQ Carabinieri :-

250	bags kit,
350	trousers, khaki, riding type,
1,000	shirts, grey-green, cotton
1,300	caps, grey-green
150	uniforms, khaki, cotton
2,670	metres, grey-green cloth for manufacture of trousers.
200	metres of grey-green cloth for manufacture of uniforms
2,498	metres of khaki cotton material for manufacture uniforms.

Locally purchased :-

2,000 shirts, grey-green

Alessandria Legion

From "Direzione Commissariato" - Bari :-

200 towels

1,446 caps grey-green

Local purchase :-

2,000 shirts, cotton grey-green
1,500 drawers, cotton.

ARMS and AMMUNITION :-

Turin Legion

From Arty Directorate :-

474,069 rounds Cal 9 for automatic arms
36,612 rounds cal 6,5 for training purposes.

From Milan Arty Section :-

14,000 rounds cal 9 for pistol mod 34.

1.500 caps, khaki, cotton
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Genoa Legion

From Arty Directorate - Albenga :-

3.000 rounds for mod 91 arms Cal 6,5

From Milan Legion :- 1.000 rounds AP } for Staghound
 520 rounds HE } Armoured Cars.

Local purchase

500 slings, cotton for rifles.

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4. TRAINING :-

In the Turin Legion the following courses have been held :-

- 1) Telephonist
- 2) M/Cyclist
- 3) Sanitation
- 4) Driving, M/Vehicles
- 5) W/T and mechanical for Mobile Bn personnel.

In the Genoa Legion the following courses have been held :-

- 1) Driving courses at Piacenza
- 2) Military Police courses at Rome, for 1 Officer and 3 ORs
- 3) At Tor di Quinto, Arm'd Car driving course, attended by 4 ORs.

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Generally speaking, little change in the past conditions.

Alessandria Legion reports that 120 Stations are still without telephone communications.

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9. GENERAL :-

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W.A. Lacey, Major,
GSO II (L) Carabinieri.

SUBJECT : Carabinieri Progress Report No. 8, August 1946.

TO :- HQ M. M. I. A.
Carabinieri Section
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1 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
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1. STRENGTH :-

Turin Legion

<u>W. E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
2,416	2,674	1,839	+ 26

Soldiers on leave :- 504 of which 202 on sick leave.

Turin Mobile Bn

<u>W. E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
537	495	408	- 1

Soldiers on leave :- 60

School Bn Moncalieri

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905	859	821	+ 22383

Soldiers on leave :- 30

Genova Legion

<u>W. E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Variation</u>
3,136	2,666	2,122	+ 9

The Effective Strength includes 1 Officer and 100 soldiers on duty in Sicily.

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2.235	1.712	1.554	+ 1

Soldiers on leave :- 130

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2. TRANSPORT :-

The present situation for each Legion of the Brigade is as follows :-

Turin Legion and Mobile Bn

Mobile Battalion

Legion

a) i) No held :-

33 M/Cs	60 M/Cs
14 Motorcars	2 Jeeps
26 Jeeps	9 Lorries
5 Vans	25 Trucks
30 Trucks	12 Arm'd Cars
2 Light Arm'd Cars	
2 Arm'd Cars	

ii) Under local repair :-

Legion

N I L

Mobile Battalion

1 Truck
1 Jeep
7 M/Cs

Awaiting spare parts :-

1 Truck, SPA 38
1 Tractor, "TM 40"
1 Tractor, "TM 37"

iii) B.L.R. :-

N I L

b) Vehicles received during the month :-

Legion

3 - Trucks, SPA 38
2 - Trucks, SPA 38

Mobile Battalion

N I L

c) Vehicles transferred :-

Legion

1 Tractor SPA

Mobile Battalion

N I L

Genova Legion and Mobile Bn

14 Motorcars
9 Lorries
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1 Jeep
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Genova Legion and Mobile Bn

Legion

a) i) No. held:-

24 M/Cs
49 Motorcars
5 Vans
3 Tractors
29 Trucks

Mobile Battalion

65 M/Cs
1 Motorcar
30 Trucks
2 Tractors
12 Arm'd Cars

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2. TRANSPORTGenova Legion and Mobile Bn (Cont'd)

ii) Under local repair :-

Mobile BattalionLegion

3 M/Cs
2 Motorcars
2 Trucks

N I L

iii) B.L.R. :-

N I L

b) Vehicles received during the month :-

3 - Jeeps, collected from 7 EVP, Florence. The following distribution has been made :-

1 to ALBENGA Tenenza,
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1 to Finale Ligure Section.

1 - Truck, collected from 2 EVP, Genoa; and assigned to PIACENZA Internal Coy.

8 - M/Cs, collected from 8 EVP, Rome, and assigned to LA SPEZIA Group.

1 - M/C with sidecar, recovered by PARMA Group.

c) Vehicles transferred :-

10 Arm'd Cars, HUMBER, handed in to 12 Vehicle Park, 38 Veh Coy - FORLI.

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2 Jeeps, handed in to 2 Reparto Riparazioni Auto, GENOVA.

1 Truck } handed in to O.A.R.E. - PIACENZA.
1 M/C }

Alessandria Legion

a)

i) No. held :-

144 Bicycles
11 Motorcars
39 M/Cs
28 Vans
29 Trucks

ii) Under local repair :- N I L

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3. CLOTHING EQUIPMENT AND ARMS :-

The following has been received during the month by the Legions concerned. The necessary distribution is being made.

Turin Legion

800 metres, greygreen Cloth, for 350 uniforms	} Allocated from GHQ Carabinieri
1.000 Uniforms, cotton khaki	

Genova Legion

1.000 pairs of new Boots	} allocated from GHQ Carabinieri
800 pairs of repaired Boots	
170 pairs of Leggings	
1.820 Uniforms, Cotton khaki	
900 Caps, greygreen	
2.000 Patches } local purchase	}
400 Frogs }	
1.000 pairs of Socks	
5.000 Rounds Cal 6,5	"
	"

Alessandria Legion

193 Trousers, cloth greygreen	} Distributed to the dependent units.
186 Jackets, " "	
115 Caps " "	
249 Drawers, cotton	
378 Shirts "	
111 pairs of Socks	
42 Greatcoats, cloth greygreen	
2 Pullovers	
202 pairs of Boots	

Alessandria Legion reports a continuing deficiency of Beretta pistols and fucili mitragliatori BREDA 30 with appropriate ammunition.

4. TRAINING :-

In the Turin Legion a number of Carabinieri have been engaged in specialist courses i.e. W/T, driving, armourers.

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 6 men on motor-mechanical course
 50 men on monthly course of instruction at each group HQ.

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5. ADMINISTRATION :-

- (a) Discipline - Good, no important disciplinary action to report
- (b) Pay - Nothing further to report, upon the comments on previous monthly reports.
- (c) Personnel - N.T.R.

6. COMMUNICATION :-

No change, except for one station, Pieve di Teco, of the Genoa Legion which has been reconnected to the telephone system.

7. CARABINIERI MORALE :-

Generally speaking their morale is fairly satisfactory, but the following factors are having an adverse effect:-

- (a) Pay and allowances - The complete inadequacy of both these items, particularly in relation to married personnel.
- (b) Evolution - The unfairness of the recent amnesty in that it did not apply to the Carabinieri, but did apply to civilians, the latter in many cases having committed real offences against the Italian State whereas the Carabinieri quite often committed only the offence of sticking to their posts, in the interests of Public Safety. What is most required is a decision to forget past events, or compulsorily retire those concerned. The present delay is neither in the interests of morale nor efficiency.
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Little change in the month by month situation. Figures given by the Carabinieri are as follows :-

	<u>Serious Crimes</u>	<u>Arrests</u>
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The serious crimes consists mostly of murder, armed robbery, and extortion.

9. GENERAL :-

In the figures of Transport for Turin Legion in this report, it will be observed that the Legion (other than the Mobile Bn) report holding 2 light SPA Armored Cars, and 2 STAMAGGIO Armored Cars. Is the information for these vehicles?

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To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(MCLA), Rome (Carabinieri Section)

29th June 1946

1. STRENGTH:-

No important changes have been effected. The position in the various Legions is as shown on appendix 'A' attached.

2. TRANSPORT:-

As already stated the following vehs. have been received by each Legion during the previous month:-

	Cars	Jeeps	Load Carriers	M/c's.	Arm. cars
Turin Legion	-	4	16	-	-
Genoa Legion	-	9	17	-	-
Alessandria Legion	-	7	13	16	-

Mobile Bns:-

Turin	-	2	-	-	-
Genoa	-	-	5	-	-
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The total number of vehs. held by each Legion are as follows:-

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Alessandria Legion	24	18	35	41	-

Mobile Bns:-

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Genoa	1	-	28	65	12

Of the vehs. shown above the following are in need of repair:-

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3. CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT:-

The following articles of clothing and equipment have been received:-

Turin's Legion received sufficient material to make 256 cotton uniforms, which however, are insufficient for the Legion's requirements.

276,000 rounds - cal.9 were recently collected and distributed to the various Units of Turin's Legion

14,000 rounds - cal 9 - for mod.34 pistol have been collected ex Arty Detached Section, Milan.

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Genoa Legion was issued:- 110 american coats, 91 P.T. shorts, 143 woollen jackets, 2,000 grey-green blouses, 1,000 grey-green caps.

Genoa also received the following ammunition:-

6,000 cartridges -cal 6.5 - for mod 91 arms.
60,000 " " for Berretta m/g - cal 9.
6,000 " " mod.89 pistol " 10.35
3,000 " " " " "
100,500 " " Browning m/g on arm. cars.

Alessandria Legion received:-

1,500 field blankets, 400 boots, 1,100 grey-green pants, 1,000 grey-green shirts, 500 towels, 1,500 locks, 1,300 handcuffs, 60 american coats. 51,563 Berretta rounds - cal 9., 38,215 rounds cal.6.5.

4. TRAINING:-

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From the Alessandria Legion:-

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15	"	"	a driving course.
6	"	"	armourer course
50	"	"	monthly training courses at the Legion's HQ.

All the personnel of the HQ Coy are attending - in shifts- a training course re the use of automatic weapons.

Target-practice training will begin shortly.

5. DISCIPLINE:-

Good.

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ALTEROCCA has taken over as Commander of Turin's Legion.

Major PETTINARI has been released.

Genoa- Major MARTORANA has been released and Lt.Col. AGUECI is now the Commander of Genoa's External Group. Major ALESSANDRI has been appointed President of the local 'Eputation Centre'.

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6. COMMUNICATIONS:-

Turin - There is no change in the situation.

Genoa - ditto.

Alessandria - 119 telephones have been installed at the various CC.RR. stations of this Legion, during May, and 4 in June.

7. MORALE OF CARABINIERI:-

The morale of Carabinieri continues to be satisfactory notwithstanding the many difficulties, mostly economical, they have to cope with.

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8. PUBLIC SAFETY:-

The situation remains unchanged. The following crimes were committed during the period 15 May - 15 June -: 10 murders, 6 attempted murders, 65 robberies.

9. GENERAL :-

The arms supplied are still insufficient to cope with the situation; there is a great shortage of Berretta automatic pistols mod. 34, Breda L.M.G.s mod. 30 and relative ammunition. The Somaschini Eks., Imperia have not yet been handed back to the Carabinieri.

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Special Coy Turin	150	150	146	4	4	4
<u>Mobile Ens.</u>						
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Turin, 29th June 1946.

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Subject : Progress Report No. 6

1 British Liaison Unit

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To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC
(MIA), Rome (CCRR Section)

27th May 1946

CC.R.R.

1. The CC.RR of the 1st Brigade are in good spirits, mainly due to supply of equipment and the obvious attention that this service is receiving.
The Turin Legion is now commanded by Lt.Col. ALTEROCCA, and as Col. BUTTI has been relieved of this responsibility he will be able to concentrate more fully on his duties as Brigade Commander. This was a very welcomed move.

2. STRENGTH:-

Little changes have been effected, the position being as shown on appendix "A" attached.

3. TRANSPORT:-

Improvement has been made during the past month and the transport situation can almost be described as good. To date Turin has received 18 Jeeps, Alessandria 17 Jeeps and 10 Load Carriers and Genoa 11 Jeeps and 5 Load Carriers. These figures are in accordance with the CC.RR. Bulletin, except in one case; Genoa is apparently one Jeep short allotment, as on 11 Apr 46 only 974 one jeep was received whereas it is believed two should have been delivered.

The total numbers of vehicles held by each Legion are as follows:-

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Turin Legion (x)	14	18	17	21
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(xx) Genoa's Mobile Bn. holds also 12 Staghound Armoured cars. (xxx) Turin's " " " 12 " "

Of the vehicles shown above there are the following vehs in need of repair:-

Legions:-

	<u>Minor Repairs</u>	<u>B.L.R.</u>
Turin	21	5
Genoa	11	25 (no spares)
Alessandria	25	2

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4. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT:-

The following articles of clothing and equipment have been received:-

Turin's Legion received 2,000 grey-green linen shirts, 3,000 linen pants, 2,000 pairs of cotton socks which will be withdrawn ex Direzione Commissariato Militare of Turin and Milan.

172,740 rounds - cal.9 - were recently distributed to the various Units of Turin's Legion.

Only 71,040 rounds cal.9 were distributed instead of 100,000 as requested on 15 Mar 46 to the CC.RR. General HQ.

Genoa Legion was issued:- 100 uniforms, 100 carabinieri caps, 600 pairs of boots, 4300 towels, 3500 grey-green caps, 300 grey-green great-coats, 1,000 woollen coats, 1,000 woollen trousers, 1,000 woollen caps, 1500 pants, 470 linen blue overalls, 100 rifle slings and 200 grey-green shirts.

Genoa also received the following ammunition and arms:-

Cartridges cal.9 for Berretta automatic rifle.....	35,063
Cartridges " " (Parabellum) for Berretta m/g.....	300,000
Rifles, Berretta automatic cal.9 mod. 38/42.....	160
Bandoleers, for magazines mod.91	1,860
Pistol-cases mod.1889 (leather)	1,000
Leather rifle-cases	50
saddle-blankets	50

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5. TRAINING:-

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Also, trg courses for D.R.s were held at the various units; 65 men attended.

The personnel sent to Tor di Quinto in order to attend a driving course for armoured cars obtained the following classifications:-

1 NCO excellent, 4 CC.RR good, 5 CC.RR fairly good, 1 NCO and 1 Carabinieri unfit.

1 Subaltern Officer, 1 NCO, 2 CCRR have attended at Cesano di Roma the 8th Military Police course: classification:- fit.

As on the 27th May the Mobile Bn. has to move to Modena for duty purposes, the examinations which should have taken place on that day have been postponed. For the same reason the 3rd

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course for drivers which was to be held at the Mobile Bn. has been postponed. It will be held after the elections.

From the Alessandria Legion:-

8 soldiers are attending the NCO course at the Scuola Centrale, Florence.

12 " " " riding course at the Caserma Montebello, Milan.

10 " " " driving course at the Legion's HQ.

3 NCOs are attending a course on the Wien magnetic detector at the Legion's HQ.

60 soldiers are attending monthly trg courses at the Legion's HQ. Satisfactory results.

6. DISCIPLINE:-

Discipline is good.

Only one change in officer personnel was effected during the month and that was when Major MARONE Enrico assumed the command of the Cuneo Group in place of Major SCHEJOLA Renato.

7. COMMUNICATIONS:-

There is no change in the situation. Many Casermas are still without telephones.

8. MORALE OF CARABINIERI:-

In view of the forthcoming elections the Carabinieri are quite concerned as to the possibility of disturbances. In certain areas pamphlets have been distributed by the communist party urging the Carabinieri to be of high morale and to remain in service, adding that if the Communist are successful in the elections the CC.RR will continue to be essential for the welfare of the country, although it is reasonable to surmise that if the left party are successful in the forthcoming elections many Carabinieri will discontinue service.

9. PUBLIC SAFETY:-

The situation as regards crimes has improved. The following crimes were committed during the period 15 April - 15 May:-
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GENERAL:-

The Caserma of Imperia has not yet been handed back to the Carabinieri.
Generally speaking, the people seem to be looking upon the CC.RR. with increasing esteem.

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APPENDIX "A"

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STRENGTH

	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>On Leave</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>
Turin Legion	2416	2658	2148	232	44	60
Alessandria Legion	2235	1698	1628	70	76	18
Genoa	3127	2696	2474	184	74	-
Cadet Bn Moncalieri	800	645	635	5	303	220
Special Coy Turin	150	150	144	2	-	-

Mobile Bns

Turin	552	531	491	6	142	11
Genoa	552	543	520	16	-	-

Turin, 28th May 1946

Subject : Progress Report No.5

To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC
(MMIA) Rome (CCRR Section).

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1. Last month has been a successful one. The CC.RR are continually growing stronger and regaining the prestige they held years ago. The CC.RR themselves are better in spirits, which is due to a large extent to the supply of clothing, equipment, etc. The replacement of political Prefects with career men is also playing a great part in the building up of the CC.RR who, having confidence in the new Prefects, are taking bold action in cases which require their attention.

2. STRENGTH:-

No changes of importance have been effected. The position in the various Legions is as follows:-

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Turin Legion	2057	2712	2132
Alessandria	1533	1647	1459
Genoa	2702	2817	2458
Cadet Bn. Moncalieri	400	364	351
Spedal Coy Turin	150	150	53745

Mobile Bns:-

Turin	548	398	328
Genoa	548	412	374

Not more than 10% are on leave.

3. TRANSPORT :-

There has been no appreciable improvement. As reported by Signal the 4 jeeps and 12 Stagbouds each for the Mobile Battalions in Genoa and Turin have been received. In addition, 2 trucks from Florence to the Genoa Mobile Bn. attention and I

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See discussion with Col. Gali. Please

4. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT:-

The following articles have been received by the Genoa Legion:-
 250 woollen great-coats, 100 woollen trousers, 6648 handkerchiefs, 239 overalls, 661 motor-cyclist glasses, 191 pair of gloves with

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fur lining, 191 snow-caps. 500 pairs of braids with stars have been purchased locally, 300 of which have already been issued to the various units. In addition, quite a considerable amount of saddlery was delivered to Genoa from the Artillery Section, Cosenza.

Alessandria received 500 woollen trousers, 300 overalls and 4 quintals of black shoe polish; also 4000 rounds for mod. 89 pistol.

Turin received and distributed 101,700 cartridges cal.9 and 4,490 S.R.G.M. bombs are under way of distribution.

5. TRAINING:-

Good progress is being made in training but there is nothing special to report.

With the receipt of the horses it is found that there are more horses than riders and plans are in hand for the establishment of an open-air riding school in Turin; the old school building was destroyed during the war.

6. DISCIPLINE:-

Continues to be good. There have been no defaulters during the past month and no promotions.

7. COMMUNICATIONS:-

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To overcome present communication difficulties, it is recommended that special attention be paid to the supply of motorcycles at the earliest possible date to enable close contact to be made with outlying casermas. In this matter it is felt that the question of retaining 60 M/cs at each Mobile Bn be reconsidered. At present the majority of them are kept idle. If say 10 of

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8. MORALE OF CC.RR:-

The only feeling of dissatisfaction is amongst the married CC.RR, who consider that their allowances are too low, and the quarters allowance remains on the pre-war basis, whilst rents have recently been increased by 60%.

Generally speaking, the morale of the CC.RR is good.

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9. PUBLIC SECURITY:-

The CC.RR are doing their best and there is a general slight decrease in the number of crimes committed. One particular case which aroused interest in the press and the people was the arrest by the CC.RR of Venaria Reale of the murderers of the 10 persons of Villarbasse. This crime was committed on 20 Nov 45.

With minor crimes there has been quite a substantial decrease.

10. GENERAL INFORMATION:-

Last Thursday, celebrations and parades were held throughout the Brigade's area. No disorder was caused and amongst those taking part there was a predominance of red scarfs and shirts. The 'P. Somaschini' Bks. of Imperia have not yet been returned to the CC.ER by the Questura.

The public, generally, is not in a settled state of mind and there is definitely a feeling that amongst the political parties "something is brewing".

Another cause for people's uneasiness is the increasing number of unemployed and it is felt that the situation may get worse.

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Subject : Progress Report.

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To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC
(MMIA) Rome (CCRR Section)

29th March 1946

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1. STRENGTH:-

Very little change has been made during the past month and the strength of Turin Brigade is as follows:-

	<u>Authorised</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>
Turin Legion	2057	2738	2181
Alessandria	1533	1668	1437
Genoa	2702	2699	2360
Cadet Bn. Moncalieri	400	369	353
Special Coy Turin	150	77	46

Mobile Bns:-

Turin	548	394	329
Genoa	548	392	311
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Not more than 10% are on leave.

2. ORGANIZATION:-

Genoa has received 3 GMC trucks and 60 Triumph m/cs for use with the Mobile Bn. and from the Direction of Artillery 39,888 rounds of 6,5 ammunition for rifle mod 91. Alessandria has received 28 horses from R.A.V.C., Monza. At Turin 2 Humber armoured cars B.L.R. in accordance with your instructions will be evacuated to Forli. 2 others are under local repair, leaving 8 serviceable. The 10 armoured cars at Genoa are also serviceable.

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3. INFORMATION:-

The elections have been the main topic, and appreciation has been voiced for the efficient way in which the CORR were in control. Special mention was made by AC. L.G. Piemonte for the system adopted by Major VENCHI CC.RR who ensured his CC.RR were on duty at places other than where they normally serve.

4. TRAINING:-

Steady progress. The Turin Mobile Bn. have recently completed a course in firearms training and tactical and W/T courses are running.

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At Genoa a driving course ended and 35 men passed out of 56. General CC.RR instruction is given at Group HQ and 20 men are undergoing ski-ing instruction at Limone Piemonte.

- 8 CCRR are attending a course at the Scuola Allievi Sottufficiali in Florence.
- 13 are attending a riding course in Milan
- 12 " " motorist-mechanic course in Civitavecchia.
- 6 " " military police course in Cesano di Roma.

5. DISCIPLINE:-

Good. No change re pay or personnel.

6. GENERAL DEFICIENCIES:-

Alessandria reports having collected 700 pairs of grey-green trousers from Milan Legion and purchased 500 shirts.

At Genoa:

250 metal helmets have been collected from the Arty HQ, Florence and distributed to the local Mobile Bn.

90 undershirts have been allotted and distributed to the Mobile Bn. by the General HQ.

400 pull-overs have been purchased on the market.

The Mobile Bn. is devoid of bedding equipment; there are no mess tables, stools, etc.

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7. MORALE OF CARABINIERI:-

The Carabinieri are fully aware of their duties and accomplish them with loyalty and good will. Their morale is high notwithstanding the many problems which could affect it such as high cost of living; a sound 'purging law'; housing problem for married personnel; deficient equipment, arms, bedding, etc. The quarters allowance for married personnel is still on the pre-war basis whilst recent legislation permitted rents to be increased by 60%.

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9. GENERAL:-

The Moncalieri Barracks should be evacuated by the refugees

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on 31st March 1946.

CC.RR arrangements in connection with the local elections were excellent and have given great satisfaction to the A.C. Liaison Group.

The CC.RR are obviously disliked by many sections of the population in and around Savona where threatening notices towards the CC.RR are posted. In Imperia where the Caserma is occupied by the Questore as already reported, it is openly stated that no good purpose will be served in restoring the CC.RR as 'once the elections are held and the monarchy falls' the CC.RR will be disbanded. There are large numbers of 'ex patriots' as auxiliary agents throughout Imperia and the CC.RR have a hard task to maintain their presence and dignity.

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Subject : Re-organisation of OCCR
(2nd Progress Report Feb)To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MIA--)
Rome (OCCR Section)

1. Ref memo OCCR/G/5 of 11 February 46.

2. Strength of Turin Brigade (Turin, Alessandria and Genoa Legion) :-

(a)	<u>Authorised</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>
Turin	2057	2065	1809
Alessandria	1553	1792	1717
Genoa	2702	2735	2422
Cadet Bn. Moncalieri	400	390	373
Special Coy, Turin	150	79	46

(b-) Not more than 10% on leave and extraneous duties have ceased.

(c) Mobile Bn.

Turin	548	398	349
Genoa	548	389	318

(d) Not more than 10% are on leave .

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3. ORGANISATION:-

There is a great shortage of transport. In Genoa 200 bicycles have been obtained and an additional 100 will shortly be received, but cars and m/cs are urgently required. No improvement has been made with regards supply of clothing, etc.

4. INFORMATION:-

In view of the forthcoming elections political interests have somewhat increased. The Communist and Demo-Christian parties have increased their propaganda. Generally, the population is more concerned in solving the problem of life and is hopeful for good order and peace. The peoples' morale is depressed for the following reasons:-

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- (b) Serious economical situation.
- (c) Continuous increase of cost of living and low salaries.
- (d) Shortage of houses and scarcity of fuel.
- (e) Unsettled state of public security.
- (f) Fear of disturbances and the hiding of firearms in case of trouble.

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TRAINING:-

Mobile Bn., Turin:- The results are satisfactory. The courses on theoretical training are being completed and the personnel will shortly reach the required standard in all other subjects.

Mobile Bn. Genoa:- Satisfactory progress. The second driving course attended by 56 men will end on 20 March 46. 5 Offrs. and 13 Ors are receiving specialist instruction at various schools and when they return more extensive instruction can be given locally.

6. ADMINISTRATION:-

(a) Discipline - nothing special to report. A few defaulters for absence without leave have been dealt with.

(b) Pay - Effected regularly. It is considered the scales of pay are too low considering present day cost of living.

(c) Personnel - No changes.

7. GENERAL DEFICIENCIES:-

Transport, clothing, etc. is required. The Legion Cmr of Genoa asks that the issue of a valise for each CCRR be considered.

8. MORALE OF CCRR:-

The CCRR are fully aware of their responsibilities and perform their duties loyally and capably. Some disappointment is felt because of the difficulties under which they work, but this does not affect their discipline. 63

9. Public Security:-

The situation, although not extremely grave, remains serious and crimes of violence continue. In the Turin Legion area 30 robberies and 5 murders have been committed with arrests for 6 robberies and 2 murders. In Alessandria arrests have been made for 110 robberies and 232 persons denounced for theft. In Genoa 5 murders were committed with 2 arrests; also 27 robberies with 4 arrests.

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
Tel: 15 2965 Ext 107
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To: Carabinieri Section
HQ MMIA ROME

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1. STRENGTH:

	<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>% on leave</u>
<u>Milan Legion</u>	5485	4438	3515	9.54
<u>Milan Mobile Bn</u>	537	582	495	7.38
<u>Bolzano Legion</u>	2852	1890	1582	} 10.3
<u>Special Coy</u>	150	91	80	
<u>Verona Legion</u>	1124	1368	1196	9.5
<u>Padova Legion</u>	2395	2155	1679	} 10.2
<u>Padova Mobile Bn</u>	537	505	354	

2. TRANSPORT:

- (a) Milan No change.
- (b) Bolzano Drew 140 tyres and 101 inner tubes during the month.
Deficiency against Veh W E is now:-

Heavy Lorries	2
Light Lorries	4
Light Van	1
M/Cycles	21
Bicycles	114

The Legion still requires a large number of tyres for M/Cycles and 1500 type.

- (c) Verona. Two cars have been returned to their owners but no additional vehs received.

- (d) Padova. (Incl Mob Bn)

(i) Totals Vehs held (all types)	295
(ii) Local repair	41
(iii) Not repairable by unit	3
(iv) Received during month	1
(v) Transferred during month	NIL

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3. CLOTHING EQUIPMENT & ARMS

All Legions report having received good stocks of clothing during the month.

A large proportion of this clothing has already been issued. Milan, Padova and Verona Legions have received additional weapons and amm but Bolzano Legion still requires 2054 Beretta automatic pistols mod 34 Cal 9 and a large quantity of amm.

Padova Legion reports the distribution to groups of various articles of Barrack Stores during the month, particularly to the Rovigo group.

4. TRAINING.(a) Milan.

Varese group is holding a short course attended by 18 Carabinieri. Courses in other groups have been suspended owing to service necessities and lack of men. Weapon Training^{is} carried out daily in all stations.

(b) Verona.

One Offr and two C C attended Military Police course and one senior N.C.O. and two men attended a mine - detecting course in Rome during the month.

Six Carabinieri are attending a welders and electricians course near Legnano which will last 22 weeks.

20 men are attending a month's m/cycle course which commenced 5 Nov at the Legion Workshops.

(c) Bolzano.

Owing to lack of personnel it has not been possible to organise special training without interfering too much with normal duties.

Individual training however continues. 7 mounted Carabinieri are attending equitation course with the Milan Legion, and one officer, one senior N.C.O. and 2 Carabinieri are attending the Military Police course in Rome.

(d) Padova.

Normal Individual training has continued during the month. 42 men of the Battalion underwent examination as drivers with satisfactory results. A further 50 will be tested as soon as the commission from Udine Military Terr Comd arrives.

5. ADMINISTRATION.(a) Discipline

Satisfactory in general.

Bolzano Legion reports that two carabinieri allowed 3 foreigners who were due for deportation to escape. Severe disciplinary action has been taken against the carabinieri concerned,

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5. ADMINISTRATION (cont)(b) Pay.

High cost of living is causing discontent amongst married personnel.

Pay itself is disbursed regularly and without delay, no particular problems arising.

(c) Personnel.

1st Col LEVI, IVO, O.C. Raggruppamento Battaglioni Mobili, has been promoted Colonel.

Major GIOVANNINI, Ettore, Comd of Milan Internal Group, is awaiting transfer to the Modena Group.

Padua Legion reports that O.C. Venice Group, O.C. Padua Mobile Bn and the Adjutant of the Padua Legion are being substituted.

6. COMMUNICATIONS.

Telephonic communication has now been provided in 3 more out-stations of Milan Legion.

Verona Legion report that 16 outstations of Verona Group and 8 of the Vicenza Group are still without telephones. This is mainly due to destruction of existing lines during the war.

Bolzano Legion are the worst off, 64 out of 222 stations still being without the telephone.

Padova have improved slightly, but there are still 42 (out of 238) stations without telephonic communication.

7. MORALE.

There is no change to previous reports, and the same reasons so often mentioned previously are still affecting the morale of the men.

In spite of meagre salaries, lack of accn for families, the slowness of the Screening Commission, uncertainty as to the future, etc etc, the traditional pride of the carabinieri remains high, and it is a pity to see other police forces such as the "Celere" being treated more liberally by the Ministry of the Interior than are the Carabinieri by the War Ministry.

8. PUBLIC SECURITY.

(a)	<u>Legion.</u>	<u>Cases of Serious Crimes</u>	<u>Arrests</u>
	Milan	85	243
	Verona	17	34
	Bolzano	14	92
			(plus 142 arrests for clandestine immigration and emigration)

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8. PUBLIC SECURITY

(plus 1 ¹⁵ killed)

23

13

2

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rounds 97

(c) General tendency of crime is against property. Armed hold-ups are slightly on the decrease.

9. GENERAL.

(d) The speeding up of the screening procedure would remove a lot of unnecessary discontent amongst the men.

Milan.
FMME/SGD.

Lt Col,
G.S.

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1 British Liaison Unit

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Subject : Re-organisation of
Carabinieri.

To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(MMLA) ROME.

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LEGION OF CORP, TURIN.

1. STRENGTH:-

Coys.	Authorized	Effective	Present	HQ STAFF	
				Admin.	Services
Spec. Coy	150	79	46	1	1
Turin Int.	440	416	381	14	8
Turin Ext. 1st	174	156	136	8	7
Turin Ext. 2nd	150	182	163	10	6
Finerolo	137	129	111	7	7
(b) Susa	128	123	106	5	8
Aosta	135	231	214	8	9
Ivrea	126	158	134	6	7
Novara	183	192	146	7	8
(b) Verbania	166	156	133	6	7
Vercelli	135	151	132	7	6
Biella	183	171	153	6	7
<u>Groups.</u>					
Turin Int.	614	572	517	22	15
Turin Ext.	415	434	380	22	21
Aosta	261	389	348	14	16
Novara	349	348	279	13	15
Vercelli	318	322	285	13	13
Mobile Bn.	548	398	349	26	23
<u>Cadet Bn. (c)</u>	400	390	373	4	8
	2905	2853	2531	114	111

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Total Groups	2905	2853	2531	114	111	
HQ Legion	100	664	333(a)	143	37	
Spec. Coy	150	79	46	1	1	
Total strength of Legion	3155	3596	2910	258	149	

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NOTE:-

(a) 331 CCRR are absent through the following reasons:-

-Attached to the Central School for NCO courses	24
-On leave	27
-On sick leave	198
-In Convalescent Homes	32
-Attached to other units	11
-Personnel in transit	32
-Absent without leave	7
	331
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and those present are employed as follows:-

-Clerks	143
-Dvrs. & Gds.	37
-Couriers	3
-Officers Mess	4
-NCO and troop mess	6
-Small maintenance	12
-Ration Store	7
-Printers	4
-Telephone operators	4
-Trumpeters	3
-Infirmary	3
-Mailmen	2
-Stable service	13
-315th F.S.S.	13
-Appointed to C.S. Centre (counter-espionage)	50
-Appointed to the Grand Jury	12
- " " refugee camp of Moncalieri	10
- " " 1st Terr HQ, Turin	1
- " " Labour Inspectorate	6
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(b) 12 CCRR at Susa and 14 at Verbania are permanently employed on frontier duties.

(c) At the School at Moncalieri.

-Personnel in transit 7
 -Absent without leave 7
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(c) At the School at Moncalieri.

Percentage of personnel on leave : 10%

Generally the personnel carry out police duties, public order and security duties at the stations to which they belong. They cannot effect extraneous duties unless duly authorised by the Legion's HQ.

Duty hours : an average of 8 to 10 hours daily.

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2. UNIFORMS AND CLOTHING:

The supplies are scarce and do not guarantee the personnel's complete efficiency. The soldiers are being supplied with only one suit of items which should form up their uniform and their kit, for instance only one shirt has, so far been distributed to each man. Furthermore, the boots that have been distributed are generally not new ones and they do not guarantee good service.

3. MOBILITY:-

The Legion's means of transport, excluding the Mobile Bn. which is dealt with under separate heading, is as follows:-

<u>No. & type</u>	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Requirements</u>
Motor-cars 11	9 efficient, 2 without tyres.	W.E. 29 held 11 Req 18
Heavy trucks 5	1 requires local repair.	W.E. 2 held 5 Surplus 3
Light trucks 5	1 without tyres	W.E. 40 held 5 req 35
P.Us M/c 3	1 requires tyres.	W.E. 3 held 3 req -
M/cs -sidecars 2	Efficient	W.E. 51 held 55 req 14
M/cs solo 12	1 requires local repair.	W.E. 83 held 12 req 71
Tractors 5	In good repair	W.E. - Surplus.

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Tractors 5	In good repair	W.E. - Surplus.
Armd.cars 1	In good order	Surplus
2 Seat M/C -	-	W.E. 540 req.
Motor Pump		req. 1

The maintenance of the above vehicles is carried out by the personnel of the various units and this includes cleaning and minor repairs. More important repairs are effected at the Wksp of the Legion HQ. Whenever the repairs are of such a nature that the Legion Wksp cannot effect them - which is often the case - due to the state of the vehicles - then the vehicle is repaired either by the automobile repair unit of the Terr.Hq or through

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local specialised firms. As regards spare parts, they are not available. When the need comes up the request is forwarded to the Terr. HQ Repair Unit or efforts made to purchase on the local market when such action is approved by the Territorial HQ.

The vehicles shown above as required to bring the Legion's mobility to the proper strength have already been agreed to in a letter from the General HQ - Ufficio Ordinamento No. 56/10 of 16 Sept 45.

It is considered that the most suitable vehicles and those that should be supplied first are the light trucks which can transport troops quickly in cases of disturbances. The Fiat 1100 is considered the most suitable car for the officers to patroling.

Dvrs. are trained at special courses held by the Mobile Bn. Turin and to date 194 men have been issued with regular driving licences.

The supplies of POL have been sufficient. The fuels are purchased directly from OIP and payment made on delivery. An invoice is always issued and subsequently charged to the Regional Administration (Chapt. 55 of the Budget).

The monthly requirements are as follows:-

(a) General use (excl. Mobile Bn.)

Petrol		10,000 Litres.
Diesel Oil		2,000 "

(b) Mobile Bn.

Petrol		24,000 Litres.
Diesel Oil		12,000 "

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Horse-drawn vehicles:- The Legion has on charge 3 baggage-carriages and 5 light carriages for Bn. use. It further holds 11 saddle-horses, and 13 draught-horses. An additional allotment of 30 saddle-horses and 8 draught-horses has been made, but to date they have not been delivered.

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Bi-cycles:- The Legion has on charge 3 Bicycles out of 807 which are required as per letter of the General HQ - Ufficio Ordinamento No. 56/10 of 16 Sept 45.

4. COMMUNICATIONS:-

(a) The telephone service of the various units of the Legion are effected on the STIPEL lines.

Out of 206 stations forming the Legion, 40 are still without telephones. Applications have been submitted to enable these stations to be equipped with telephones but the chief difficulty encountered is the lack of funds to meet such expense.

It is suggested that one way to solve this problem would be to charge all expenditures for the supplying of the required

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telephone communications to the Legion's Administration.

(b) Only the stations located in the main towns of the Province (a total of 36) can rely on a continuous telephone service. The remaining 130 stations are without telephone service during the night.

(c) The Legion has no private telephone system of its own.

(d) Use is made of the telegraphic and postal service.

(e) In order to obtain a better telephone service it is considered advisable that arrangements should be made to extend the part-time service to whole-time.

5. RATIONS:-

Rations are drawn from the Military Stores in Turin for the Turin, Aosta and Vercelli Groups and in Milan for the Novara Group, on specified days. The principal difficulty encountered is lack of adequate transport for the distribution of the food.

For the rations required, in excess of the ration strength of the Legion, SEPRAI give instructions and frequently unrationed items are purchased on the local markets. The Cadet Bn. and Special Coy are not allowed to draw their rations from the Military Stores and they are, therefore, obtained through SEPRAI. This arrangement, however, is not entirely satisfactory as certain items such as coffee, available from Military stores, is not available through SEPRAI and cannot be obtained on the local market, and as a result with this difference of treatment the personnel of the a/m units feel dissatisfied. This difficulty can be overcome if authority were given to increase the Legion's ration strength so that all personnel will receive the same type of ration.

6. ACCOMMODATION:-

The buildings available are adequate and in fairly good order. Several minor repairs are required but difficulties are experienced owing to the high cost of labour and the short supply of material. Repairs are, however, in progress both at Mobile Bn. Bks. and the Cadet Bn. Bks.

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7. ARMS AND AMMUNITION:-

The number of arms issued and in stock are shown on Appendix 'A' and the ammunition on Appendix 'B'.

The minimum requirements are as follows:-

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399 Preda m/g rifles mod 30
1960 Automatic rifles. (a demand for these has already been submitted to the Berretta factory).

3039 pistols
100,000 rounds of amm for the automatic rifles.

Instruction in the use of arms is effected by the Coy Cmdrs of the Mobile Bn. and Cadet Bn. also for the personnel of the HQ and Special Coys.

8. MOBILE BATTALION:-

	<u>No. of vehicles</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Origin</u>
5 trucks		Dodge	3-ton	supplied officially
2 trucks		Bedford	3-ton	"
1 truck		Ford	3-ton	"
1 truck		Austin	3-ton	"
5 trucks		G.M.C.	3-ton	"
12 arm'd. cars		Humber	Mark IV	"
60 m/cs		39 Norton	500 cc.	
		13 Ariel	500 cc.	
		8 Matchless	500 cc.	

Training is satisfactorily carried out by the O.C. of the arm'd. cars and motor-cycles Coys, assisted by signal instructors. The personnel of the armoured cars receive a special out-of-doors course of training in the use of the arms as well as driving. Courses of instruction have already been arranged for the M/gunners which included firing practice with the vehicles stationery and in movement.

All the vehicles are in fairly good conditions and the maintenance carried out is of a very high standard. The personnel in charge of each vehicle is responsible for it, under the instructions of the O.C. of the units. Log-books are maintained and trip-tickets are kept up-to-date.

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9. GENERAL SUPPLIES:-

The best method of supply is by the Commissariato Militare delivering directly to the Legion's HQ and as a whole no

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amendment is considered necessary to the present procedure.

10. REDUNDANT STATIONS:-

It is not considered advisable to close any of the minor stations at the moment.

R. Ruiz

A.G. HILLS
Major, CCHR IO

Field
28 Feb 46.

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APPENDIX "A" - WEAPONS

UNITS

UNITS	Pistols mod. 34	Pistols mod. 89	Automatic pistols	Pistols "Smith "	Rifles mod 91 cal. 6.5	Muskets mod 38 Cal. 6.5	Muskets mod 91 cal. 6.5	Automatic muskets BERRETTA	M/G " STEEN "	M/G rifle BREDA mod. 30	M/G rifle " BREN "	M/G " BREDA " mod. 37	M/G " FIAT " mod. 35	Foreign M/G rifles	American automatic rifles	Various M/G
Stock Internal Group TURIN	1	9	-	-	-	108	-	57	-	6	-	-	8	-	-	-
External Group TURIN	76	57	-	-	-	173	232	3	71	57	-	4	3	11	-	-
Group NOVARA	45	10	-	-	-	274	89	49	69	28	-	-	3	18	-	17
Group AOSTA	37	24	-	-	-	227	91	26	132	21	-	-	-	29	-	-
Group VERCELLI	30	19	-	-	-	139	68	86	50	13	2	-	-	12	-	-
H.Q. Company	38	27	-	-	-	224	124	44	71	3	1	-	-	18	-	-
Mobile Btn.	36	4	-	-	-	213	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadets Btn.	10	19	-	-	-	205	75	-	48	12	-	3	3	-	-	-
	8	8	-	-	-	365	135	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	281	177	-	-	-	1928	824	265	444	140	3	7	17	88	-	17

APPENDIX "B" : Conditions

UNIT S =====	Ball cartridges for weapons mod. 91 cal. 6,5	M/G cartridges cal. 6,5	Cartridges for pistol cal. 34	Cartridges for pistol mod. 89 cal. 10,35	Magazines complete of car- tridges for M/G rifle mod. 30	Cartridges cal. 8,8 for automatic musket	Cartridges cal. 8 for heavy M/G.	Italian hand-grenades .	German hand-grenades	Cartridges cal. 7,35	Cartridges for "HWM" M/G.	Cartridges for american M/G rifle	Cartridges for foreign M/G rifles	Cartridges for "BRIDA" M/G cal. 7,79	magazines complete of cartridges for arms mod. 91
Stock	64925	-	1800	90	1336	7700	59498	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4709
Internal Group TURIN	34318	-	1052	985	-	-	17130	100	-	-	-	-	864	-	-
External Group TURIN	14372	-	548	104	127	100	13703	4	-	-	-	-	2810	-	-
Group NOVARA	26740	-	356	238	-	-	5010	208	-	-	-	-	8227	-	-
Group ACSTA	10252	-	375	271	-	-	3272	212	-	-	-	-	6314	-	-
Group VERCELLI I	26380	-	567	360	-	-	440	1741	-	-	-	-	1900	-	-
H. Q. Company	7768	-	504	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mobile Bn.	13878	-	100	253	-	-	156000	-	-	-	-	-	5020	-	-
Cadets Bn.	36000	-	112	86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	234633	-	5414	2435	1463	7800	119053	2265	-	-	-	-	25135	-	4709

1 British Liaison Unit

Subject : Re-organisation of
Carabinieri.

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To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AG (AMIA)
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Total strength of Legion	1534	1759	1605	124	64

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HQ Legion	80	122	109(a)	56	585024
Spec. Coy Aless.	-	135	122	1	8
Total strength of Legion	1534	1759	1605	124	64

NOTE:-

(a) includes 29 GCM attached to Courts for services of summons, etc. The percentage of men on leave in approx. 6% but this figure does not include those on sick leave. The normal duties, as laid down by the General Rules of the Legion, are regularly carried out and the men perform an average from 7 to 10 hours' duty daily.

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2. UNIFORM & CLOTHING:-

The majority of the men are wearing grey-green uniforms which in certain instances is second-hand and badly fitted. They all have one pair of boots.

Due to the continuous use and wear of the uniforms it is considered essential that each CCAH be supplied with an additional uniform and an additional pair of boots.

The present clothing situation does not guarantee an adequate efficiency; and the articles shown on Appendix 'C' are required.

3. MOBILITY:-

List of vehicles held and minimum requirements:-

	<u>No. & type</u>	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Requirements</u>
Motor-cars	14	1 inefficient, the rest in fairly good cond. esp. the tyres.	W.E. 33 held 14 req. 19
Heavy trucks	-	-	W.E. 5
Light trucks	2	Inefficient tyres	W.E. 36 held 2 req. 34
Small freight cars (autofurgoncini).	3	In fairly good cond.	W.E. 2 held 3 req. -
Small motor-carriers (motofurgoncini)	2	In good cond.	Surplus.
tractors	5	2 inefficient, the rest in fairly good cond.	Surplus
m/cs. with side car	2	In fairly good cond.	W.E. 5 held 2 req. 3
m/cs	8	4 in good cond., the rest fairly good cond.	W.E. 470 held 8

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m/cs. with side car	2	In fairly good cond.	W.E. held 5 2 3
m/cs	8	4 in good cond., the rest fairly good cond.	W.E. held 470 8 462
bicycles	54	U/S	W.E. held 687 54 633

The maintenance is effected by the drivers in charge of the vehicle. The Legionale Wksp carries out such small repairs as its inadequate equipment permits, more extensive repairs are effected on authority by the Territorial HQ, Turin. There are no spare parts for the vehicles.

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It could almost be said that the Region is without transport as the vehicles are used as little as possible to conserve them for urgent duties. Tyres are in short supply and quite often they have to be changed from one vehicle to another.

It is considered that the most useful car for patrolling purposes is the Fiat 1100.

Courses in motor-driving are periodically held when the drivers also receive instruction on maintenance.

The supplies of IOL have been sufficient and are obtained from the Chamber of Commerce of Alessandria, Asti and Cuneo at the cost of 20 Lire per litre for petrol and 45 Lire per kilo for oil.

The monthly requirements (the same as the present allotment), are:

Petrol	5,000 litres
Oil	150 Kilos.

It is estimated that if all the vehicles considered essential were supplied the IOL allotments would have to be increased to three times the present amount.

4. COMMUNICATIONS:-

Telephone service is not satisfactory. There are 102 stations with a full-time telephone service; 84 stations have part-time service and 74 stations no telephone service at all.

The CCRA do not operate any private telephone line.

Advantage is taken of the public telegraph service but this is not entirely satisfactory and it is recommended that all stations should be provided with a telephone and that STIFEL should ensure that the CCRA have a priority over other subscribers.

5. RATIONS:-

The HQ Coy and the Alessandria Group draw their rations from the military stores at Piacenza; Asti and Cuneo draw from Turin.

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- (a) Rations are drawn from the Groups by the Sections and conveyed by transport hired from private persons or local authorities.
- (b) the station HQs draw their rations from the Sections using their personnel who travel on either public or private transport whichever is available.

The Asti Group is the only one able to effect direct issues to the Stations and they use a vehicle which was supplied to them for this purpose by AMG.

It is recommended that rations continue to be drawn by Group HQs as once transport is supplied no difficulties would be experienced in conveying them to the stations and the present difficulties of: (1) finding vehicles and (2) drawing men from their ordinary duty in order for them to collect their rations would be obviated.

6. ACCOMMODATIONS:-

The buildings available are adequate as out of 176 stations only 14 are temporary. Generally speaking, they are all in a fairly good state of repair but neither the Genio Civile, who is responsible for maintenance of buildings owned by the Government, nor the landlords who are responsible for the privately-owned ones, make any effort to effect even minor repairs.

Blankets for the men are in good supply, but mattresses and bedding equipment generally is not satisfactory, as so much now in use has been borrowed. The following requirements are considered necessary:-

	<u>Beds</u>	<u>Sheets</u>	<u>Woolen mattresses</u>
Alessandria Group	258	1116	450
Asti Group	219	650	247
Cuneo Group	582	2990	729
HQ Coy	<u>20</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	1079	4756	1426

7. ARMS & AMMUNITION:-

The number of arms issued and in stock are shown on Appendix 'A' and the ammunition on Appendix 'B'.

The minimum requirements are as follows:-

1368 automatic pistols, mod. 34
 2738 magazines for pistols mod. 34
 41271 cartridges cal 9 for mod. 34 pistol
 1368 cases for pistols mod. 34
 91 automatic Berretta rifles
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 1000 rifle slings.

Instruction in the use of arms is carried out at Group HQ by trained officers.

8. MOBILE BN.:-

There is no Mobile Bn. attached to the Alessandria Legion.

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9. GENERAL SUPPLIES:-

It is considered advisable that supplies (equipment, arms, ammunition, clothing, etc.) be made direct by the Military stores and Direzione di Commissariato Militare or Direzione di Artiglieria to each Legion of CCNA, and not to any lower level. At Legion HQ there are suitable magazines where adequate stocks of the various items could be kept without any increase to the number of store-keepers, also once the equipment has been received in accordance with the W.F. the Legion Cmdr would be in a position to face whatever need may arise.

10. REDUNDANT STATIONS:-

There are no redundant stations.

Field
19 Feb 46

A.G. Hills

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Major CCNA IO

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CSO 1	26/2
CSO 11	26/2
CSO 10	26/2
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WEAPONS

APPENDIX

UNITS																
	M/G. "PIAT" mod. 35.	M/G. "BREDA" mod. 37.	M/G. "S. ERICA"	Light German M/G.	Rifle M/G. "R.M."	Automatic Rifles "BAR"	Automatic Rifles "BAR-RESCUE"	M/G. Rifle M.G. 81	Automatic rifle of the Hitler's type	M/G. Rifle C.M.G.	German rifles "Fapen"	Rifles mod. 38 cal. 6.5mm.	Muskets mod. 38 cal. 6.5mm	Muskets mod. 38 cal. 6.5mm	Automatic muskets "Thompson"	American automatic carbines
Stock	1	1	1	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	132	35	-	-
Group Alessandria	-	16	3	4	10	65	16	1	2	4	28	3	430	40	5	4
Group ASTI	-	2	-	-	29	110	4	-	-	-	-	-	228	320	-	-
Group CUNEO	-	4	-	-	30	155	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H.Q. Company	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68	0	-	-
TOTALS	4	23	3	4	79	344	89	1	2	4	28	3	978	415	5	4

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APPENDIX A

Light cannon 40.		Rifle M/G. "B&A"		Automatic rifles "S&A"		Automatic rifles "M&A"		M/G. Rifle M.G. S4		Automatic rifle of the M&A type		M/G. Rifle M.G. S4		German rifles "Tupua"		Rifles mod. 38 cal. 6,5mm		Muskets mod. 38 cal. 6,5mm		Muskets mod. 31 cal. 6,5mm		Automatic muskets "Thompson"		American automatic carbines,		Automatic pistol mod. 34 cal. 9 mm.		Pistol mod. 39 cal. 10,35		Pistol "Maxi"		M/G. Rifle "M&A" mod. 30	
-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	232	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	-	-	-	-	-	-		
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APPENDIX B

75	1300	1300	55360	19240	3000	2102	190	200	20951	719	284	1353	25	72	30	253	2778
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00	-	-	8472	19327	-	4712	7412	-	19090	849	458	-	-	-	-	1592	-
00	-	-	1600	40	-	-	-	-	37920	145	150	3000	-	-	-	291	-
75	1300	1500	120132	48674	3000	12019	7692	200	80195	1865	1091	5809	25	72	30	2140	267
Cartridges for M/G. " M. M. M. M. M. Cartridges for light German M/G. Cartridges for M/G. rifle " EXTRA " mod. 30 Cartridges for M/G. rifle " M. M. M. M. Cartridges for M/G. rifle G. S. R. G. Cartridges for automatic rifle " M. M. M. Cartridges for automatic rifle " M. M. M. M. M. Cartridges for automatic rifle of the Hitler's type Cartridges for machine mod. 71 & 38 cal. 6,5 Cartridges for automatic pistol mod. 34 cal. 9 Cartridges for pistol mod. 89 cal. 10,35 M/G. cartridges for weapons mod. 71-38 cal. 6,5 Cartridges for American carbines Cartridges for " " M. M. M. M. M. Magazines for M/G. rifles, Italian hand-grenades foreign hand-grenades																	

APPENDIX 'C'

Uniform and Clothing requirements:

Towels	500
grey-green jackets	800
" " trousers	800
Shirts	800
Cotton underpants	2000
Cotton socks	3000 pairs
Neckties	600
Handkerchiefs	500
Flannel shirts	3000
New boots	800 pairs.

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Subject : Re-organisation of Carabinieri
(Preliminary situation report)

To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AG (MAMIA)
Rome - (CCRR Sec)

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1. STRENGTHS

	<u>Authorised</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>
(a) Turin	2607	3270	2677
Alessandria	1534	1624	1483
Genoa	2702	2792	2510

(b) 10% of personnel on leave.
Extraneous duty has ceased.

	<u>Authorised</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>
(c) Mobile Bn			
Turin	548	392	353
Genoa	548	394	359

(d) 10% on leave.

2. ORGANISATION

There is a general shortage of all equipment and uniforms.

3. INTELLIGENCE

Public morale is reasonably good but 'Crime' have so increased that some alarm is felt. The newspapers have published details of recent murders and robberies, especially when "auxiliary agents" have been involved.

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Sufficient Motor drivers are qualified.

A complete training policy has not yet been formulated. According to Gen Regs for CC.RR each man should have 1 hr's instr per day; this order is not being strictly enforced, but courses of one month are being held at Legion Hqs.

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5. ADMINISTRATION

(a) (b) (c) None.

6. GENERAL EFFICIENCIES

The CC.RR each have 1 uniform and 1 pr of boots. Certain men employed in the mountains are without Ski-ing boots. The condition and quantity of uniform available displeases the CC.RR.

7. MORALE of CC.RR.

Good.

8. PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION

Crimes are constantly being committed throughout the whole of this Area, robberies are frequently reported and murders, although not increasing, are occurring. The exact percentage of detections is not at hand but they are about 7% successful. The CC.RR work in conjunction with the QUESTURA.

9. GENERAL

Bicycle
The 300 *M/35* earmarked for Genoa have been received.

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Subject : Reorganisation of CC.RR.

1 British Liaison Unit

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To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)
ROME. (CC.RR)

cc. RR.

Ref your letter CC.RR/G/12 of 25 Jan 46.

1. The information requested is now available for the CC.RR Legion of Genoa and the answers to questions set out in Appendix 'A' are attached hereto. It has been necessary to visit the Legions as full details were not forthcoming from Brigade HQ. The information respecting Turin and Alessandria Legions and Turin Brigade HQ will be forwarded at an early date.

Action is asked under "6 Accommodation".

Major Powell

Field
17 Feb 46

SECT	DATE
GSO 1	18/2
GSO II	18/2
GSO (C)	21/2
1st Lt	24/2

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British Liaison Unit

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To : HQ Land Forces Sub-Comm A.C. (NMLA)
Rome.

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Savona		191	160	144	3	6
Albenga		131	148	130	3	6
Imperia		112	120	109	2	4
S. Remo		266	246	220	2	4
Piacenza Int.		142	119	115	2	4
Piacenza Est.		122	110	90	3	6
Parma		251	200	190	2	4
Fidenza		182	210	203	3	6
Groups:-						
Genoa Int.		690	790	703	4	25
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Mobile Bn.:-					
HQ platoon	40	30	30	2	4
1st Coy	101	85	72	1	2
2nd Coy	101	79	68	1	2
3rd Coy	101	70	60	1	2
Arm'd. Coy	90	60	59	1	2
m/cycle Coy	115	70	70	1	2
Total Groups.	3160	3037	2714	51	96

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STRENGTH:-

	<u>Authorised</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>HQ Staff</u>	
				<u>Admin.</u>	<u>Services</u>
Total Groups	3160	3037	2714	21	96
HQ Legion	90	149	155	125(b)	30
Total strength of Legion.	3250	3186	2869	176	126
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NOTE:-

- (a) includes 45 CCRR permanently employed on frontier duties.
- (b) " 25 " attending instruction course and 18 for service of process.

The Mobile Bn. is stationed at Genoa. Allowances are made for 10% of the personnel to be on leave. At present few extraneous duties are being performed, CCRR are supplied for duty at HQ A.C. Liaison Group, otherwise services are only carried out upon the request of the Authorities concerned and under para VII of the General Army Rules. Due to the present situation both as regards security and public order, the personnel perform an average of 10 hours' duty daily.

2. UNIFORM AND CLOTHING :-

Each CCRR (except the 18 employed on service of process) is supplied with a complete uniform and one pair of boots. The present conditions of the clothing are unsatisfactory, as they do not guarantee an adequate efficiency to the unit. It is noticeable that the men with shoddy uniforms are usually unshaved and have little if any interest in their appearance, whereas those men with better uniforms maintain a high standard.

In January, 500 pairs of repaired boots were received and they have been distributed. The magazine is practically empty and clothing is not being hoarded.

3. MOBILITY:-

List of vehicles held (excluding Mobile Bn.) and minimum requirements:

<u>No. & type</u>	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Requirements.</u>
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Heavy trucks	11	5 inefficient, the rest in fairly good cond.	W.E. held req.	9 6 3
Light trucks	-	-	req.	44
P.Us.	2	fairly good cond.	Surplus.	
Small freight cars	2	" " "	W.E. held req.	16 2 14

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<u>No. & type</u>	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Requirements.</u>
Small motor-carriers 6	Fairly good	Surplus.
m/cycles 20	8 inefficient, the rest good	W.E. 44 held 12 req. 32
m/cycles with side-car 2	fairly good	surplus.
m/cyclys with box-side-car 4	"	"
tractors 3	"	"
bicycles 18	bad condition	W.E. 750 held 18 req. 732 (x)

(x) authy has been received for the purchase of 300 bicycles, and delivery is expected any day.

With the exception of a Fiat 1100 from Southern Italy, all the other vehicles have been recovered on the spot. Only a small percentage have been requisitioned by the Prefects.

Maintenance is carried out by the men i/c of the vehicles, but this service is not very good, mainly due to a shortage of spare parts, tools, and cleaning material. So far some spare parts have been purchased locally, with the necessary authy, but lately requests have been made to the 3rd Store Section, Milan, who say that they themselves now purchase on the open market.

Minor repairs are being carried out by either CCCR personnel or by local firms. During the past few weeks the repair units of Genoa, Milan and Bologna functioning under the Repair Cmds. of the Territorial HQs have been approached for future repairs to be effected by such wksp.

The drivers are being trained by the local Mobile Bn. HQ and a special course attended by 50 men has been set up. The drivers provided with the regular licences are just sufficient to meet present requirements, but these drivers often have to make long journeys and, therefore, have very little time left to carry out a proper maintenance of their vehicle.

Supplies of POL have so far been sufficient. Until 31st Dec 45 the Regional Allied Police HQ supplied the Liguria area with POL. Parma and Piacenza were supplied by the local Chamber of Commerce. As from 1st Jan 46 all POL supplies have been drawn from local Chambers of Commerce and so far no difficulties have been experienced.

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The monthly requirement (which is approx. equivalent to the present allotment), is as follows:-

(b) <u>Mobile Bn.</u>	
Petrol	25,000 litres
Diesel Oil	15,000 "

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4. COMMUNICATIONS:-

In the Genoa Legion there are 250 stations and of this number 69 are without telephone service, 26 with part-time service and 32 stations are situated in localities where there are no private or public telephone lines at all. It can, therefore, be seen that more than half of the stations are without adequate telephone service.

The CCRP do not operate any private telephone line.

An alternative means of communication is by the public telegraph service, which operates in a satisfactory manner and is frequently made use of.

It is recommended that the question of repairing war-damaged telephone lines be given early consideration, and that in those areas where part-time service now functions arrangements will be made for 24 hours service. This seems to be especially necessary now-a-days in view of the increase of crimes in outline districts. The time I feel is also opportune for the installation of W/T in Brigade and Legion HQs and later to Group HQs.

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With regard to the quality the only complaint made was about M.&V. and sardines. Apparently the latter are greatly disliked through being too rich and M & V is disliked as the CCRR would prefer to have the same quantity of meat separated from the vegetables.

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6. ACCOMMODATIONS:-

The buildings occupied by the CCRP under the command of the Genoa Legion do, from a general point of view, cope with the present day requirements. A great number of them require repairs, especially those privately owned, as the landlords are loath to incur any expenditure and a further handicap is the lack of materials. Another reason and perhaps the main one is the slackness on the part of the Provincial Administrations in paying the rents regularly.

There are 44 buildings formerly used as Casermas destroyed or so seriously damaged through war operations and the temporary buildings now used are not altogether satisfactory.

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The maintenance of the buildings is carried out : (a) for State - owned by the local authorities and (b) private property, by the owners. The maintenance of the buildings is not a big problem.

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The number of arms issued and in stock are shown on Appendix 'A' and the ammunition on Appendix 'B'.

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35,000 m/g cartridges cal. 6.5 mod. 91 weapons.

5,000 magazines for automatic Berretta pistols mod.34.

2,000 g.g. cavalry bandoleers.

200 pistol cases mod.89

2,500 pistol cases mod. 34

1,500 helmets

Rounds of ammo and Breda hand-grenades are also required for training purposes.

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At the Legion HQ courses are held and include instruction with all arms, particular attention being given to the automatic Berretta rifle. Plans have been made for 400 CCRR to attend these courses. Instruction is also given locally. Under the terms of General Regulations of CCRR, chapter 2, regulation 14, which lays down that all CCRR will receive one hour's instruction per day. In the majority of cases the Maresciallo or other responsible officer is himself unqualified in the use of the arms now in the possession of the CCRR and it is recommended that this regulation be suspended and so remove an excuse for the CCRR remaining in the Caserma.

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3 trucks	Ford	3 Ton	supplied by CCRR Supply Centre for North Italy-Rome.
1 truck	Dodge	3 Ton	" "
3 trucks	Bedford	3 Ton	" "
5 trucks	G.C.M.	3 axles	IV E.V.P. Coilliter- Florence.
1 tractor	S.P.A.	T.L.40	CCRR supply Centre for N. Italy-Rome.
1 tractor	S.P.A.	T.L.37	" "
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1 m/cycle	B.S.A.	500 "	"
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12 "	B.S.A.	500 "	"
12 "	Matchless	350 "	"
3 "	Ariel	350 "	"
12 armd. cars	Humber	4/A/C 4/4	CCRR supply Centre for N. Italy, Rome.

The standard of training of the personnel is good, and is given by Capt. AZZARONE Mario, assisted by other officers of the armoured Coy. So far only individual training has been given, but it is

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hoped that Sectional Training will soon be commenced. The first tank-drivers' course has been completed, 39 soldiers passed. The second course is now running.

Two of the armoured cars are out of action, awaiting spare parts, but generally speaking all the other vehicles are in fairly good condition and are well looked after. Small repairs are effected by the personnel of respective units under the instructions of their Officers. In the past important repairs have been carried out at private workshops, with the approval and following the suggestions and instructions of the Automobile Repair HQ of the local Territorial HQ. During the past few weeks the 2nd Automobile Repair Unit, Genoa, has been functioning and several vehicles have been sent there for repairs. This Workshop, however, is lacking in the equipment required for important repairs.

No spare parts are available for Allied vehicles.

Suitable log-hooks are supplied and maintained for each vehicle.

The personnel of the Mobile Bn. are not employed on extraneous duties.

The Mobile Bn. is efficient. As time goes on the personnel will undoubtedly improve, as the instructions they are receiving are of a good standard, but against this there is offset the danger of the vehicles, especially the Allied vehicles, being ineffective through mechanical defects and spare parts must be supplied to ensure that the Mobile Bn. remains an effective striking force.

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10. REDUNDANT STATIONS:-

The situation of the less important stations has been carefully considered and it is strongly recommended that they all remain open. The CCRR through being spread out, see and hear things which otherwise they would not know about if they were more centrally stationed. They are working under great difficulties, mainly through lack of adequate telephone and transport services, and it is recommended that all CCRR posts be connected by telephone. If this, however, is impossible a suitable means of transport should be supplied to the Tenencies, so that frequent visits can be made to the outlying posts, especially the frontier posts. Another reason for not closing the small Casermas is that crime is on the increase, particularly crimes of violence and to withdraw the local CCRR I feel sure would lead to further crimes and a lowering of the public morale.

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14 Feb/46.

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APPENDIX 'A'

Weapons.

UNITS	Pistols 34	Pistols 89	Automatic pistols	Pistols & W	Rifle 1891 cal. 6.5	Rifles 38 cal. 6.5	Rifles 91 cal. 6.5	Automatic rifles	Beretta	Stens	Breda 30	Bren	Breda 37	m/8 35 cal. 8	Foreign m/8	Breda cal. 12.7	8 on veh.	m/8 cal. 7.5	37 mm.	75/18	U.S. auto rifle	Rifle 38 cal. 7.5
In Stock	2	30	-	-	180	302	10	3	6	7	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Int. Group Genoa	153	144	21	-	-	-	616	2	62	2	35	-	-	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ext. Group Genoa	64	64	-	-	7	-	263	-	38	14	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Imperia Group	196	44	-	-	10	-	282	40	20	11	-	-	2	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Savona Group	155	41	-	-	-	-	310	6	81	23	8	-	8	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
La Spezia Group	44	83	-	-	27	-	199	-	42	14	50	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mobile Bn.	105	70	-	-	-	35	293	-	27	46	2	7	-	-	-	12	10	10	12	-	-	-
HQ Coy	101	7	-	-	-	-	107	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parma Group	75	38	-	-	8	-	385	-	42	14	50	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Piacenza Gr.	35	19	-	-	89	-	142	8	129	32	11	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	930	540	2	1	321	337	2607	59	449	163	169	17	21	6	12	10	10	12	1	1	1	1

UNIT	Cartridges cal 6.5 weapons mod. 91	m/g cartridges cal. 6.5	Cartridges for pistols mod. 34	Cartridges for pistols mod 89 cal. 10.35	Cartridges for m/g rifle cal 6.5	Cartridges for autom. rifle cal 8.8	Cartridges for heavy m/g cal 8.	Italian hand - grenades.	Allied hand - grenades	cartridges 7.35	cartridges for Bren m/g	cartridges for Amer. m/g rifle	cartridges for foreign m/g rifles.	cartridges for rifle mod. 38 cal 6.5	cartridges for Breda 7.79 m/g
In stock	2090	50	600	2500	9500	5000	3000	-	-	-	7000	-	-	-	-
Int. Grp. Genoa	22860	1658	1177	1285	8150	12166	1315	424	137	350	4680	120	6200	16230	-
Ext. Grp. Genoa	19432	-	441	376	2600	-	16000	182	-	254	7890	-	-	-	-
Imperia Group	21331	5000	3318	1200	28984	8400	9000	442	-	-	-	-	2400	-	-
Savona Group	19511	1500	1837	293	12986	14489	26250	893	-	72	-	-	4989	-	-
La Spez. group	12118	1453	790	1091	1638	160	-	544	-	-	10260	-	-	-	-
Mobile Bn.	20956	-	1500	1374	8820	-	23600	484	-	-	500	800	-	1492	5300
HQ	7438	1076	909	42	-	4000	200	100	-	-	4465	-	-	-	-
Piacenza Group	13002	30	500	293	7220	4300	-	-	-	-	2100	8400	-	-	-
Parma Group	22620	54	1190	259	24427	13100	4000	543	15	-	19434	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	161358	10821	12262	8713	102325	61615	83365	3612	152	856	56329	9320	13589	17722	5300

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Subject : Re-organisation of Carabinieri
(Preliminary situation report).

To : HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMA)
Rome --(CCRR Sec)

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4. TRANSPORT:-

Practically non-existent. What vehicles are available are neglected and the Commanding Officer has been strongly advised

to take advantage of the Territorial workshops run by the Italian Army. To give an example I found at one group HQ. 2 cars and 7 motor-cycles but both cars and 5 cycles were out of order and nothing apparently was being done about it.

The called for returns showing the means of transport should enable some improvement to be made with regards repairs, but demands will be made for additional vehicles and bicycles. Authority has already been received for the purchase of 300 bicycles but apparently nothing has yet been done about this by the Legion Commander of Genoa. *Why?*

It is also clearly shown that a large number of the vehicles held are 'recovered vehicles'. A definite shortage of transport for police purposes has been brought about by the CCRR themselves as they have transferred a number of their vehicles and motor-cycles to augment the two mobile Bns.

Petrol supplies are adequate and there are sufficient trained drivers to meet the present day requirements.

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7. RATIONS AND SUPPLIES:-

Drawn from Army stocks. Lack of adequate transport renders collection and distribution difficult, but this difficulty is overcome by (a) either borrowing vehicles from other local authorities or (b) hiring when occasionally necessary. No complaints have been heard about the quality of the rations supplies.

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8. MOBILE BN.:-

There are two mobile bns.: 1 in Turin and the other in Genoa. The CCRR thoroughly understand the object of such bns and do not use the vehicles and personnel in small groups.

The vehicle strength, as stated to me, is as follows:-

TURIN:-

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>type</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Origin</u>
5	trucks (3 tons)	Dodge	British
2	3-ton trucks	Bedford	"
1	3-ton "	Ford	"
1	3-ton "	Austin	American
5	3-ton "	G.M.C.	British
12	arm.cars-Mark IV	Humber	

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3	3-ton truck	Ford	CCRR supply Centre
1	3-ton "	Dodge	North Italy -Rome.
3	3-ton "	Bedford	"
5	3 axles G.M.C.	G.M.C.	"
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1	tractor T.L.37	SPA	CCRR Supply Centre.
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1	M/C 500 cmc.	B.S.A.	"
1	M/C 500 cmc.	GUZZI	recovered.
1	M/C Bianchi 500	Bianchi	"
1	M/C 350 cmc.	D.K.W.	Allied E.V.P.-Foligno
12	M/C 350 cmc.	Triumph	"
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			North Italy-Rome.

9. GENERAL:-

The CCRR reports in answer to Appendix 'A' to MMIA letter CCRR G/12 dated 25 Jan 46 have been received and are being confirmed to ensure that the information supplied is absolutely accurate. The information will be forwarded as early as possible.

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