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FORMATION OF LODGING CENTERS IN SOUTHERN ITALY WMD/IPW

closed May 1946

- From: Dec. 1945 - To: May 1946

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MINISTRY OF WAR
AUTONOMOUS OFFICE FOR REPATRIATED PWs

FILE : 10867/217

Rome 30 May 1946

SUBJECT: Lodging Centres of Taranto and Naples.

TO : Allied Commission, S/C, IPW Div., Rome.

1. Your Division has informed us that with the arrival of the S/S Mauretania all Italian Military personnel will cease to arrive in the port of Naples from Great Britain.
2. As is known the Port of Taranto is used for the reception of PWs arriving from the Middle East on Italian ships used for that purpose.
3. In order not to increase the difficulties of receiving the prisoners at Taranto and taking into consideration the organization that is already in existence at the Lodging Centre at Naples, that was created by your Division, we prospect the idea to you of sending the convoys from India, South Africa, East Africa and Australia, to Naples.

S/ General A. Mannerini

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MINISTRY OF WAR DIVISION
31 MAY 1946
Log No. Y14Y

Subject : TENTAGE.

LAND FORCES SUB COMD. A.C.
(M.E.I.A.) HOME.

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26 March 1946

TO : S.B.I.C. BARI.

Info : I.B.O.W. Sect.
: ORD.

1. Under authority S.B.C. D03/741 (ORD I) of 16 Mar 46, Qty 500 Tents I.B.P. will be issued by ADOS 52 Area to M.E.I.A. through S.B.O. for the accommodation of registered I.B.O.W. at "P" Camp FORTITO.

2. S.B.I.C. will co-operate in this transaction and will inform this H.Q. on completion.

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Brady
B.V. BRADLEY,
Major Inniske
for Major General
M.E.I.A.

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9 March 46

SUBJECT: Rations

TO : Capt CAYNES
Allied Liaison Officer
"T" Camp, TARANTO

Ref your letter A/1 dated 24 Feb 46.

Enclosed is copy of letter asked for.

J.R. ROGERS, Lt Col,
Chief
IPW Division

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A.C.
M.M.I.A.
I.P.W.

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CAPT: A.N.C. CAYNES.
LIAISON OFFICER
"T" CAMP
TARANTO.

REF: A/I.

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Ref: your letter IPA/I/16A/128 of 16/FEB/46.

I have found the letter and you are quite correct the letter is not one of your reference, how this mistake occurred I fail to see. If you will now send me a copy of my letter dated 28/12/45, I will start all over again as no copy of this letter can be found.

I would like to mention that both Lt: HALL, R.W. and myself have completed our release books, and will no doubt be leaving here in a week. A letter to the effect that both of us are A/S group 25 was sent off a month or so ago, but no reply has been received. So we will look in and see you before we end up in our new world.

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DATE 3/2/46

A. Caynes CAPT:
ALLIED LIAISON OFFICER.

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub-Commission
HQ AC APO 394
Received 8 MAR 1946
Log No *21085*

1/16/46

SUBJECT: Accommodation - "I" Camp

Hq 52 Area, GMP
 Tel: Auto 2002
 Ref: V.400/1EA

AC Liaison Officer
 c/o HQ 54 Area

GHQ 2nd Echelon

1. The whole question of the adm of "I" Camp and its future is becoming very confused. "I" Camp was originally made available by GMP (Maint) on the request of G-5 to houses returning Italian PW and, in addition, to perform the functions previously carried out by the Italian Repatriation Camp at TUKER.
2. The request for the Camp was initiated by AG and it was allotted on the understanding that soon would be required for up to 10,000 Repatriates and returned PW. The average holding of repatriated Italians and PW at present is approx. 1,000 and they are normally held for a period of 4 to 5 days.

3. The Brit Staff administering the Italian Repatriation Camp at TUKER moved to "I" Camp when TUKER Camp was closed and there they at present remain. They are however, now carrying out no duties other than those of normal admin, which, it would appear, could perfectly well be dealt with by the Italian Staff. No WE for the Brit Staff was ever implemented, personnel being provided on an ad hoc basis as a result of a demand by 3 Dist on G2E.

4. Brit personnel at present on the str of this camp are as follows:-

CO	One Capt.
2 IC	One Lieut. (On liap)
ORs	two Spts (A/S Ops 25 & 36 respectively)
	one L/Cpl.
	five men

G2E have recently asked whether or not it is intended to implement a proper WE for the Brit Cadre.

returned PW. The average holding of repatriated Italians and PW at present is approx. 1,000 and they are normally held for a period of 4 to 5 days.

3. The Brit Staff administering the Italian Repatriation Camp at TUKER moved to "A" Camp when TUKER Camp was closed and there they at present remain. They are however, now carrying out no duties other than those of normal admin, which, it would appear, could perfectly well be dealt with by the Italian Staff. No WE for the Brit Staff was ever implemented, personnel being provided on an ad hoc basis as a result of a demand by 3 Dist on G23.

4. Brit personnel at present on the str of this camp are as follows:-

CC
One Capt.
2 IC
One Lieut. (On leave)
One Sgt. (A/S Ops 25 & 36 respectively)
One L/Cpl.
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5. Att is request from the Italian Comd of the Camp which is self-explanatory. It is not at present possible to release CHSII Bks which are fully occupied and where hitted soon at any rate exists for only 800 men at a maximum.

6. In view of para 2 above, this would appear to be in no way adequate for the needs already specified, but this HQ is not in a position to know whether these needs which have recently been substantially reduced in practice are likely to increase again.

7. It is, however, hoped to make GAISS Bks available at the end of this month and the local Italian Authorities have already been advised to ~~submit~~ ^{submit} in effect.

8. With regard to the flooding of the Camp, of which Col. CORRADO complains, it is pointed out that 2 other identical Camps (in "A" and "B") are situated in the same locality and the same difficulties have been overcome by careful use of the surface water drainage system. The remedy lies in the hands of the Italian Staff of "A" Camp.

9. May the following information please be obtained:-

Firstly: Whether or not it is considered necessary to retain the

Brit Adm Staff, and

Secondly: For how many Italian Repatriates and/or Italian PW is accn required by the Italian Authorities.

10. It is now quite obvious that the original demand for accn for 10,000 was an over-estimate.

WHR/TBC

Signed / / Lt. Col.
AM & GAG

See

ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

REF : LS/115

14 December 1945

SUBJECT : I.P.W. - "T" Repatriation Camp, TARANTO.

To : HQ Allied Commission
for Civil Affairs Section
Italian Prisoners of War Division.

Reference attached correspondence 4/400/15 A of 11 December from 52 Area and 7544/0 of 22 November from the Italian Commandant of "T" Repatriation Camp, may 52 Area please be informed:-

Firstly: whether or not it is considered necessary to retain the British Administrative Staff and;

Secondly: for how many Italian Repatriates and/or Italian PW is accommodation required by the Italian Authorities.

HSH/eb

H.S. Hartley, Col.
Liaison Officer
AC BARI

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COMANDO PRESIDIO MILITARE REGIO Esercito
T A R A N T O

Taranto 22 Novembre 1945

No. 7341/0

TO: ITALIAN LIAISON SECTION - HQ 52 AREA
TARANTO

SUBJECT: Italian Repatriates Camp ("T" Camp).

Italian Military Territorial HQ Bari, is studying the possibilities of a more suitable settlement of the Italian Repatriates Camp ("T" Camp).

The a/m HQ is especially concerned in eliminating the inconvenience that is inherent in the out of hand location of the camp, which is far from the quays and the railway station, as well as the still more serious inconvenience which is consequential to the present conditions of the camp.

As winter has come, it has been experienced that it is impossible to settle down the repatriates in the tents on account of the very low temperature and frequent rainfalls that transform the camp into a marshy field, so that the repatriates are obliged to lie down on wet and muddy straw without the possibility of a suitable shelter.

Such a critical situation could easily be solved by moving the Italian Zepat Camp into the Crisini Barracks, located in Tamburi quarters. Said barracks belong to the Italian Military Administration and are now in charge of the Allied Military Authorities, but it would appear that at present the barracks are not occupied.

Said barracks would provide the possibility of settling down all repatriates in barracks so that they could be suitably sheltered. Besides the repatriates camp would be advantaged by the circumstances of being settled in the neighbourhood of the railway station, the berths and the ration depot.

You are asked to take the matter up with HQ 52 Area and see whether they would consider the opportunity of handing back the Crisini Barracks to the Italian Military Authorities in consideration of the based urgent reasons determining my request.

Will you inform HQ 52 Area that the Italian Military Authorities would be willing to hand over the Bossarol Barracks, capable of about 500 men, should the

repatriates are obliged to lie down on wet and muddy straw without the possibility of a suitable shelter.

Such a critical situation could easily be solved by moving the Italian Depot Camp into the Orsini Barracks, located in Tamburi quarters. Said barracks belong to the Italian Military Administration and are now in charge of the Allied Military Authorities, but it would appear that at present the barracks are not occupied.

Said barracks would provide the possibility of settling down all repatriates in barracks so that they could be suitably sheltered. Besides the repatriates camp would be advantaged by the circumstances of being settled in the nearabouts of the railway station, the berths and the ration depot.

You are asked to take the matter up with HQ 52 Area and see whether they would consider the opportunity of handing back the Orsini Barracks to the Italian Military Authorities in consideration of the based urgent reasons determining my request.

Will you inform HQ 52 Area that the Italian Military Authorities would be willing to hand over the Rosarol Barracks, capable of about 800 men, should the Orsini Barracks be handed back.

I am awaiting your reply as I must urgently report to Military Territorial HQ Bari on the matter.

THE COMMANDANT
(Col. Corrado Grando) 2613

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.G.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/128

15 February 1946

TO : Capt. CAYNES
Liaison Office
T.Camp Taranto

Dear Caynes,

I have just returned from L.I.A.P. and find one of your letters not attended to (yours dated 28/12/45).

The reason for this is that in your letter you refer to our HFW/EMG/C&P/601 dated 10 November 1945 - no trace can be found of this letter and it does not sound like our reference.

Will you please send a copy of the letter you refer to.

Yours,

J
~~JAMES E. REGIS~~
~~Lieut. Colonel~~
~~Chief~~
I.P.#.Div.

File

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Subject: - Domestic Transport.

Head Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(S.S.I.A.)
R.O.C.
T.204

9 DDV.

10 FEB 44.

1. H.I.A. Motor Cycle WD #9431573 is being dispatched 13 Feb from this H.I. and will arrive this vehicle on 13 Feb at 10:00 AM. It is not an authorized vehicle.

2. Standard 3 seater Light Utility 4x2 WD #95175674 on charge against H.I. of H.I. and at present held at "H.I." Camp. at this H.I. will be shown in your future vehicle returns as submitted in Appendix "D" to Progress Report.

W. Prager Capt.

H.I. PRAGER, Capt.
101 Major General,
A.C.I.

Copy sent 1st Division H.I.A.

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Italian Prisoners of War - See Commission

HQ AC APO 304

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

M.M.I.A.

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/126

12/Feb/46

SUBJECT : War Establishment for Lodging Centres for returning PW

TO : G.S.D. (M.E.)

M.M.I.A.

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1. Attached proposed M.E. for Lodging Centres for returning PW was submitted to the Office for Repatriated PW, Italian War Ministry, & returned with the following comments.
2. The M.E. proposed for the re-organised Lodging Centres are based on the absolute minimum of personnel, both military and civilian, necessary for the normal functioning of these centres. The M.E. were calculated to deal with the flow of returning PW whose arrival was foreseen both by sea and by land, and the considerable reductions effected on the preceding M.E. (2,600 in all) have been made possible by cutting down considerably the functions of the centres for reception overland of PW; at the same time ever-

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3. The W.S. proposed are therefore designed to deal with the present situation. The following recommendations, however, are made:-
 - a) That the centre of Camzanella (Naples) be type "A", and not type "2" as proposed, in order to deal with the expected greater number of arrivals at Naples.
 - b) That the office for Repatriated PW have at its disposal a reserve of personnel corresponding to the W.S. of a Lodging Centre type "C", in order to deal with any emergencies.
4. The two above modifications would entail an increase in the proposed W.S. of:-

- a) Offrs 10, N.C.Os 5, ORs 65, Civilian Employees (3rd category) 23, and salaried workers 7 (for Canza= nella Lodging Centre.).
- b) Offrs 15, W.C.Os 14, ORs 41, Civilian Employees (3rd category) 36, and salaried workers 14, (correspon= ding to the W.E. of a Lodging centre at the disposal of the PW Office).

5. Attached is the proposed list by types of the Lodging Centre.

W.H.
J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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Centre.

W.H.
J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
✓ Chief
IPW Div.

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Encl.: List & proposed R.F.

LIST OF LODGING CENTRES

<u>No.</u>	<u>Type A</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Notes</u>
712		Leghorn	
904		Taranto O.	
1003		Naples Afragola	
	<u>TYPE B</u>		
801		Rome (1)	(1) When team is increased.
1001		Naples-Canzanella	
	<u>TYPE C</u>		
102		Novara (2)	(2) Still to be organized and will only be organized if repatriations from England come through Switzerland.
201		Genoa (3)	
301		Milan	
401		Pescantina	(3) Will be disbanded when the repatriation from France is finished and always if the Port of Genoa will not be selected for the reception of prisoners
901		Bari	
902		Lecce	
903		Taranto B.	
	<u>TYPE D</u>		
501		Udine	
1101		Palermo	
1002		Naples - Dugenta	

Rome 14 February 1946

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for War Veterans
& Restricted PW

File No. 3322/226

SUBJECT: Memorandum for Col. Regia.

TO : Allied Commission, IPW Div,
Civil Affairs Section, Rome.

The number of teams that were proposed for the functioning of the lodging centres for the reception of the PW, are to be considered as being indispensable whether military or civilian, for the work of said centres relative to the number of people concerned. These teams were established in relation to the influx of the veterans from imprisonment, whether from overseas or overland; the reduction of the personnel of the preceding teams (2600 units) shows that it was attempted to assure the functioning of the centres in relation to the Port and for the reception of the groups that arrive from overseas, while diminishing the personnel of the lodging centres for the reception of those who arrive from overland.

The teams therefore adequately respond to the exigencies of the moment; it is better to keep in mind that:

- The Lodging Centre of Cassanella (Naples) be organized as type A instead of type B as was proposed in order to be able to affront the arrivals that are expected in the Port of Naples.

- That the Office may have a reserve of personnel to call upon, a team type C., in order to be in the position to affront any unexpected exigency.

The above changes would bring about an increase of the proposed teams as follows:

- 10 Officers - 5 Assistant Officers - 45 Soldiers - 20 Civilian employees of the 3rd Category - 7 paid employees, for the lodging centre of Cassanella.
- 15 Officers - 14 Assistant Officers - 45 Soldiers - 16 Civilian employees of the 3rd Category - 14 paid employees - to be held in reserve for this office and who respond to personnel type C.

Sgt. General G. Laueria.

1/16A
Italian Prisoner of War Commission
HQ AD APO 304
12 FEB 1946
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LIST OF LODGING CENTRES

<u>No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Notes</u>
712 904 1003	<u>TYPE A</u>	Leghorn Taranto O. Naples Afragola	
801 1001	<u>TYPE B</u>	Rome (1) Naples-Canzanella	(1) When team is increased.
102 201 301 401 901 902 903	<u>TYPE C</u>	Novara (2) Genoa (3) Milan Pescantina Bari Lecce Taranto B.	(2) Still to be organized and will only be organized if repatriations from England come through Switzerland. (3) Will be disbanded when the repatriation from France is finished and always if the Port of Genoa will not be selected for the reception of prisoners
501 1101 1002	<u>TYPE D</u>	Udine Palermo Naples - Dugenta	

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/124

8/Feb/46

SUBJECT : Accomodation for repatriated PW in Taranto

TO : "Q" Branch
52 Area, C.M.F.

1. Reference request by this Division for tentage for "T" Camp Taranto, sufficient to accomodate 3000 IPW.
- 2; As suggested by you, a letter supporting this request was sent to GHQ, CMF by MMIA (encl.1).
3. Encloused (encl.2) is the reply of GHQ, CMF.
4. Will you please let us know what the present situation is, and whether in fact this tentage can be supplied by you.

MMIA
J.E. REGIS
Lieut.Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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Encl.: MMIA letter, ;GHQ CMF reply.

HQ. Allied Commission.
AIC 594.
Civil Affairs Section
I.P.O.W. Division.

Capt. A.N.C. Caynes.
Allied Prison Officer.
Italian Det: camp.
52 Area.

Subject Nations

Ref: letter of the 28/12/1945
NO reply has been received in this
office

McLagan Capt.
Allied Prison Officer

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Stamp: Allied Commission
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

M.M.I.A.

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/16A/122

1 Jan, 46

SUBJECT : Allocation of Petrol for Lodging Centres

TO : Autonomous Office for Repatriated PW

1./ This Office has been informed by M.M.I.A. that the allocation of petrol and diesel oil for use in services in connection with the repatriation of PW will be made each month, for a period of 6 months beginning Jan 46, through the U.S.A.C., Ufficio Automobiliismo. No further requests need be made, except in case of emergency.

2./ As far as the Pescantina Camp is concerned, M.M.I.A. have asked the Ufficio Automobiliismo to allocate to the Camp 1350 galls Petrol and 50 galls motor oil per month, through the Bolzano Territorial HQ.

J.E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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Rome 26 Janua 1946

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for War
Veterans and repatriated POW
Prot.n.1900/227

TO : Italian Prisoners of War
Division Civil Affairs Section

ROME

SUBJECT : Military Personnel for the lodging Centers.

The following is a correction of the memorandum subject
as above:

1°) from the 1183(not 1233) is the military personnel employed
in the lodging Centers to take care as Veterans and repatriated
POW:

- from Combat groups n.13
- from training Centers of Cesano, (ex Combat group "Piceno")
no. 387
- from nucleus of the C.C.M.I.P.R.I. n.171
- normal original assignment for services for the lodging
Centers n.77
- from the ITI.ITI (Battaglioni- Guards- services etc.etc.)
no. 735- total no. 1383

2°) In the lodging Centers that depend from this Ministry
No more military personnel from Combat groups and employed.

3°) The number of Civilian personnel now at the lodging Centers
in service are 565.

signed: Col.ANFOSSO

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Italian Prisoners of War Commission
28 JAN 1946
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copy:

SUBJECT : Tentage

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS CMF

Tel.N° Freedom 128

GHQ/9141/Q (AE)

26/Jan/46

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

Reference your Q.224 dated 23 Jan 46

1. Tentage is no longer a Staff Controlled store and accordingly the demand made upon 52 Area would not be dealt with by this Headquarters.
2. For your information tentage is in reasonably good supply for existing military needs. There should be no undue difficulty in supplying the quantity you mentioned although this is not a British Military commitment.
3. If it should be brought to your notice that this tentage has not been made available will you please inform this Headquarters.

(signed) R.W. BEASLEY, Major
for Major General,
Major General Administration

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IPW Division HQ ALCON

31 1030 Jan 46

Capt. GAYNES, Italian Repatriation Camp, 52 AREA

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PARA ONE PD ONE LIGHT UTILITY VEHICLE WILL REPORT TO YOU AT FIVE TWO AREA SUNDAY TWO
 FEBRUARY PD DRIVER IS BRITISH AND MUST BE RETURNED TO HOME BY RAIL PD LETTER FOLLOWS PD

Italian Prisoner of War Sub-Commission
 HQ AC APC 314
 Dispatched JAN 31 1946
 Log No. 454

IMPORTANT

IPW Division

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2600
 G.J. LEONE
 CWO, U.S.A.
 Asst, Adjutant

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

100/1/16A/118

30/Jan/46

SUBJECT : M.T.

TO : Capt. A.N.C. Cayman, Allied L.O.
Italian Repatriation Camp,
c/o 52 Area, C.M.F.

1. Ref your Q/L dtd 9/Jan/46
2. On the new British M.E. of this Division are 2 light ^{with 2000} vehicles one for HQ, and one for L.O. in the field.
3. These vehicles have been indented for, and the transport Officer, HMIA, has this morning informed us that one vehicle will be available this week.
4. This vehicle will be sent to you under the following arrangements:-
 - a) A British OR. driver will leave with the vehicle on Saturday 2 Feb., a stop overnight at Naples, and report to you on Sunday 3 Feb.
 - b) Please leave a message at both HQ 52 Area, and at "T" Camp saying where the driver can report to you.
 - c) You will make the necessary arrangements to return the

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 - b) Please leave a message at both HQ 52 Area, and at "T" Camp saying where the driver can report to you.
 - c) You will make the necessary arrangements to return the British driver to MIA, Rome, by road or rail (preferably the latter)
5. It is not possible to provide a British driver from ²⁵⁹for the vehicle; it is suggested you make an agreement with the Italian Camp Commandant to loan you an Italian military driver. Alternatively, as this is an MIA vehicle, you can contact the nearest MIA Unit (Reg 5th, Bari) to get them to provide a civilian driver.
6. Please note that you are responsible for the regular maintenance and inspection of this vehicle, which will be regularly handed over to your successor on relief.

14th
J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief IFC Div.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/117

28/Jan/46

SUBJECT : Military Personnel for Camps for returning IPW

TO : Land Forces S/C; A.C. (MMIA-)

1. On 8 May '45 the Supreme Allied Commander, in message PX 72728, authorised the employment of personnel of Italian army combat groups, up to a ceiling of 4,500, to help to deal with the problem of returning PW & Displaced Persons in Italy. On 12 May the ceiling was raised to 6,000 (message-

Re PX 74087)

2. This ceiling was never reached; the CSO Civil Affairs Section in letter DFR/5/A dated 13/Sep/45 to Land Forces S/C gave the total of 4849 military personnel actually employed or still needed by Displaced Persons S/C, Italian PW Division, and Mine Clearance Br.

3. The Italian War Ministry has carried out a policy of replacing members of Combat Groups employed on duties in connection with the reception of Italian PW, with members of other units, and at present time the number of Italian military personnel employed on the duties is 1,383, drawn from the following units and formations:

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Offrs. & Men.

Combat Groups	13
Cesane Training Centre	387
Co.Mi.PB.1	171
Guard & Service Bns, etc.	795
Assigned by MMIA for camps in Puglia	77
Total:	<u>1383</u>

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4. Should repatriation overland from England and Yugoslavia commence, a further 190 military will be needed for the centres of Norra and Udine, giving a maximum of 1573.

5. Steps have been taken to replace the military from the Combat Groups still employed (all in Genoa).

6. Civilian Personnel employed on these duties total 565.

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7. It is submitted that the further substitution of military by civilian personnel is not feasible in view of the nature of the work carried on in lodging Centres for returning PWs, work which requires a military organisation and discipline.


J.E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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CNS

SUBJECT: - Italian PW Accommodation

CNS/CIS

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HQ 3 District12 JAN 46

References your 121 Q of 19 Jan 46.

1. Last June "Y" Camp, TARANTO, was handed over to the Italian Authorities to accommodate Italian repatriated PW returning to ITALY for release.
2. "G" PW Camp has been cleared for holding Italian PW and recalcitrants ex BDE and also to hold all Italian PW now in ITALY. This G-1 letter of even number dated 12 Jan 46 refers.
3. "G" PW Camp will therefore not be available for accommodating overflow of repatriated Italian PW from "Y" Camp.

CNS/AF

Dennis Kops
Major General,
D.A.C.

Copy to: - ~~1st Branch (CNS)~~
HQ Allied Commission, Civil Affairs Section.

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TO. J.B. REGIS. LT. COLONEL
CHIEF I.F.V. DIVISION

REF 3/1

FROM. A.N.C. CAYNES. CAPT.
ALLIED LIAISON OFFICER
I.F.V. DIVISION

DATE 9/1/46

SUBJECT. TRANSPORT.

THE TRANSPORT POSITION WITH CAPT. A.N.C. CAYNES
ALLIED LIAISON OFFICER IS THAT, HE HAS A 15 cwt
TRUCK WHICH IS ON LOAN.

NOW THAT HIS AREA IS EXTENDED FROM "T" CAMP TO
CALESE BARRACKS IN TARANTO, AND ALSO ROSSAROL
BARRACKS IN OLD TARANTO (WHERE IT IS HARDLY
POSSIBLE TO GO WITH A 15 cwt TRUCK.) THE TRUCK
IS MORE OR LESS A "THROW OUT", AND IT IS IN A
VERY BAD CONDITION.

IN VIEW OF THE NUMBER OF ITALIAN REPATRIATES
COMING INTO THIS AREA IN THE NEAR FUTURE, A LOT
OF RUNNING AROUND WILL BE NECESSARY.
COULD THEREFORE SOME OTHER ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO
EASE THE TRANSPORT PROBLEM.

ok 1000
W. H. M. CAPT.
LIAISON OFFICER
ITALIAN REPATRIATE CAMP
TARANTO.

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Subject: - Registered Italian
Prisoner of War

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23 Jan 46

1st Regt 101st

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Further to this HQ letter dated 13 Jan 46.

It is notified for information that "1st Regt 101st", although now vacant, is reserved for a future intake of P.W. and is therefore not available as mentioned in the a/g letter.

Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
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Michael Lapp 2594
(M.L. Lapp) Capt
for Maj Gen
Comd

ASD/PO

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Subject:- Accomodation for
repatriated I.P.W.
in Toronto.

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R.C.M.C.
Q.224

23 Jan 46.

S.E.Q. P.M.E.

1. Tentage accomodation is needed for 3000 Pws at "F" Camp Toronto.
2. It is understood that a request for "180 pounds" tents sufficient to meet the above requirement has already been made by Q Branch 52 Area Toronto.
3. Owing to the importance of the allotment of this material it is confirmed that this accomodation is urgently required to take care of arrivals expected very shortly and that the issue of tents as demanded by 52 Area is strongly recommended.

W.D.

For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:-

IPW Division.

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January 1946

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for War
Veterans & Repatriated PsW

TO ITALIAN POW DIVISION
Civil Affairs Section
Rome

SUBJECT: Military Personnel for the Lodging Centres.

MEMORANDUM FOR COL REGIS

1. For the Organization of the reception of War Veterans from imprisonment and Repatriated PsW, the employment of 5,000 men was pre-arranged in the original plan.
2. The problem of the reception of Veterans who were interned in Germany and Switzerland having been solved, by employing Military personnel from Combat groups and re-examined, as in agreement with this Office, for the organization of Lodging Centres for Veterans from Overseas, the employment of 2100 men will be needed.
3. The employment of 2600 men will be needed for the POW duty, due to the recent organizations of the Army in transit.
4. For the organization in fact still to be completed, for certain Lodging Centres, 1233 men will be needed.
5. For the eventual arrival of a part of the Veterans from England (through France and Switzerland) and for that Military Personnel held in Yugoslavia who will be repatriated overland, the organization of Lodging Centres in Novara and Udine has been pre-arranged with the employment of 190 men, of which the greatest number to be used for POW duty, are considered by this Office to be 1423.
The ceiling allowed by the M.E.I.A. being of 2600 men, an economy of 1200 returned to combat groups will be obtained.
6. No provision is made to employ over the above stated amount (1200) and we call your attention to the fact that all the personnel of Combat groups, employed in the North for the

reception of the internees from Germany, have been returned to the groups they were taken from.

Sgd. General A. Mannerini.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/114

22/Jan/46

SUBJECT : POL

TO : S & T, MMIA

- 1./ Ref our IPW/1/16A/100 dtd 28/Dec/45 and your ST/1602 dtd. 4/Jan/46.
- 2./ This office has now received a request from the PW section, Italian War Ministry, for a supplementary allocation of POL for the lodging centre of PESCANTINA (Verona).
- 3./ This camp deals with repatriates from Central Europe who return via the Brenner, and was previously administered by Displaced Persons S/C, Allied Commission. W.e.f; 1/Jan 46, however, it has become the responsibility of the Italian War Ministry, and directly under the Bolzano Territorial A.A. (Verona district).
- 4./ The original bid for POL for services in connection with repatriation of PW was made on the basis of the number for repatriation from overseas. The camp at Pescantina is an additional commitment.
- 5./ Pescantina camp has a capacity of 3,000. POL is required mainly for maintenance purposes to the amount per month (beginning Jan. '46) of:

1550 galls Petrol
50 " Motor oil

The above figures are based on a vehicle strength of 12, and a daily average of 50 miles per vehicle.

J.E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.E.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/113

21/Jan/46

SUBJECT : P.O.L.

TO : Autonomous Office for War Veterans & Repatriated PW

- 1./ For your information , the combined Petroleum Committee, AFHQ, in letter PET/50/3/16 of 10 Jan. 46 have authorised the allocation of 140 barrels petroleum and 99 barrels Gasoil for duties in connection with the repatriation of P.W.
- 2./ This information has already been sent to S.M.H.E., Ufficio Automobiliismo, by M.E.I.A. in letter ST/1602 dated 16/1/46.

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J.E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.I.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

JEB/tb

IPW 1/164/112

19 January 1946

Subject : Accommodation for repatriated IPW in Taranto.

To : C.G. MSEA

- 1/. Herewith translated copy of a letter received from Italian Ministry of War.
- 2/. The request for tentage (150 pounds) to accommodate 3,000 PWs at "T" Camp was made by myself to G. Branch, 52 Area Taranto and approved by the Colonel in charge. He suggested that as he did not have sufficient tentage on hand, he would ask AFHQ for same, and he asked me also to initiate a request for the a/o tentage from this office.
- 3/. These 150 pounds will replace the small tents (pop-tents) that were used during the summer months, but unusable during the wet and cold seasons.
- 4/. It is recommended that this matter be brought to the attention of AFHQ and that the tentage in question be secured forthwith.

J.S. REGIS, Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division

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SUBJECT :- Supplementary allocation of P.O.L. for the Italian Army.

ST/1602

16 Jan 46

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
ROME

Tel : Rome 489081 Ext 526

To :- S.M.R.E., Ufficio Automobiliismo.

1. The following supplementary allocations have been authorised for January by Combined Petroleum Committee :- Authy. FDT/30/2/18 of 10 Jan 45 -

<u>CIP</u>	<u>GASOLINE</u>	<u>GASOIL</u>	<u>MOTOR OIL</u>	<u>C600</u>
NAPLES	80	45	4.7	.9
FLORENCE	42	25	2.3	.3
BARI	55	20	2.6	.4

2. Of these amounts 140 bbls Gasoline and 59 bbls Gasoil are for repatriation of P.O.Ws. (our letter ST/1602 of 4 Jan refers) and the balance is for the recovery of vehicles ex German Vehicle Parks (conversation Capt. d'ALO' - Capt. CARY refers).

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Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

Copies to :- Civil Affairs Sect 1 POW Div AG. APO 394.

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Internal :- 'Q' for file 206.

17 Jan 1946

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Rome 16 January 1946

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for War Veterans
And Repatriated POW

MEMORANDUM FOR COL. REGIS

Re "Nieson Huts" and tents size 12, put at our disposal by the Military Territorial Command of Bari for Camp "T" at Taranto to meet the need of 3000 places, you are informed:

1. It does not result that huts of the above mentioned type are at Bari; even if they were, they could not be used, due to the fact that the work of building needed to put them up, cannot be done in time, as the reception of the Veterans, must be provided for, immediately.

However the construction of these huts, or any others at our disposal, may be initiated to meet the necessities that may arise in the future.

2. Relative to the tents assigned to the Italian Authorities of the Territory of Bari, this assignment does not result at the Commissariat of the Ministry of War or at the Territorial Command of Bari. In the meantime, given the present state of affairs, we beg you to interest the Allied Authorities in this matter in order to obtain an assignment of tents for 3000 places, as was agreed upon at Taranto, if we cannot obtain a definite solution of this problem by using Collapsible huts still to be recuperated.

Sgd. General A. Mannerini.

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Rome 16 January 1946

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for War Veterans
& Repatriated PsW

File No. 1082/212/RPGR

TO ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION
Civil Affairs Section
R O M E

SUBJECT: Gas to be used for the vehicles
that transport the Veterans from imprisonment.

1. With letter No. 425472 dtd 20 Dec 45, this Ministry has informed you of the necessary quantity of gas that was needed for the transport of the Veterans from the Ports to the Lodging Centres.

This quantity referred to the repatriation from Over-seas, who arrive at the Ports of Taranto, Naples and Leghorn.

2. As from 1st. January 1946, the Lodging Centre of Pescantina (Bolzano) was transferred to this Ministry through the Military Command of Bolzano, a further assignment of gas will be necessary in order to be able to receive and sort out those Veterans arriving from Northern and Eastern Europe who must be sent to that Camp.

3. The Allied Military Command of that Camp at Pescantina in a letter dtd 22nd. Dec. 1945, of which a copy is herewith attached, informs us of the quantity of gas that is requested for the functioning in the Camp which amounts to 1400 litres of Gasoline and 60 of Diesel Oil per day.

This quantity could be assigned for the first month, leaving to this Office, the possibility of deciding the quantity that will be needed in the future per month or for the following months.

4. I beg your Division to obtain this assignment which is to be added to the quantity of gas requested with letter No. 425472 dtd 20 Dec. 1945.

Sgd. General A. Mannerini.

Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Committee
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Report.54 AMG EVACUATION CAMP
D.P.R.S.C. A.C.
PESCANTINA

I inform this Ministry in time, of the difficulties that are to be taken into consideration relative to the turning over of Pescantina from the Allied Administration to the Italian Military Administration.

a. Transport: During the last six months, this Camp has worked with 8 trucks excluding the 4 "Autobotti" for Internal services.

In my opinion this Camp cannot continue to function with only 4 trucks, as you stated in your letter .

b. Gas and Oil: 1.400 litres of gasoline and 60 of oil, is the normal quantity required for the use of the trucks of the Camp, per day.

Sgd. D. Archer Capt
Camp Commandant
54 Evac. Camp
Pescantina

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54 AIR EVACUATION CAMP

D.P.R.S.C. A.C.

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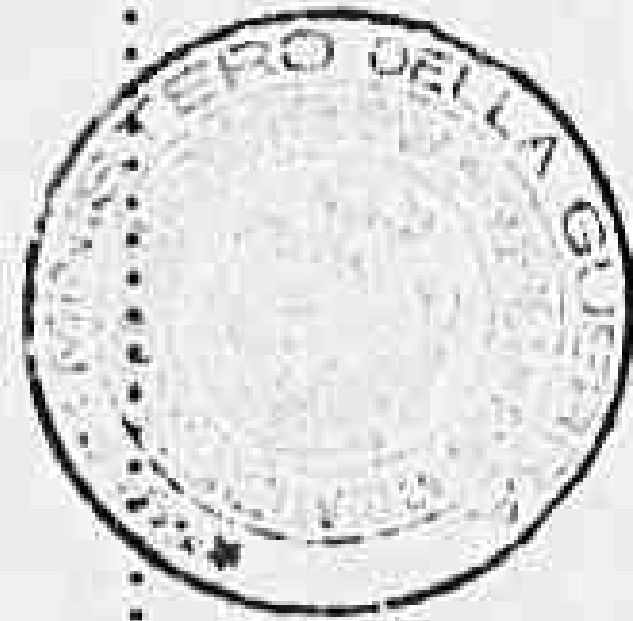
Rappresentato a codesto Ministero in tempo utile le difficoltà che si prevedono in seguito al passaggio di consegne dalla Amministrazione Alleata alla Amministrazione Militare Italiana :

a) TRASPORTI : Nei ultimi 6 mesi questo Campo ha funzionato con 8 Autocarri

esclusi le 4 autobotti per servizi interni.

E' mia opinione che questo Campo non possa continuare a funzionare con soli 4 Autocarri, come riferisce la lettera di codesto Ufficio.

b) CARBURANTI E LUBRIFICANTI: 1,400 litri di benzina e 50 di olio sono normalmente richiesti per il funzionamento degli automezzi del Campo giornalmente.



F.TO/ D. ARCHER, CAPT.

CAMP COMMANDANT 54 EVAC.CAMP

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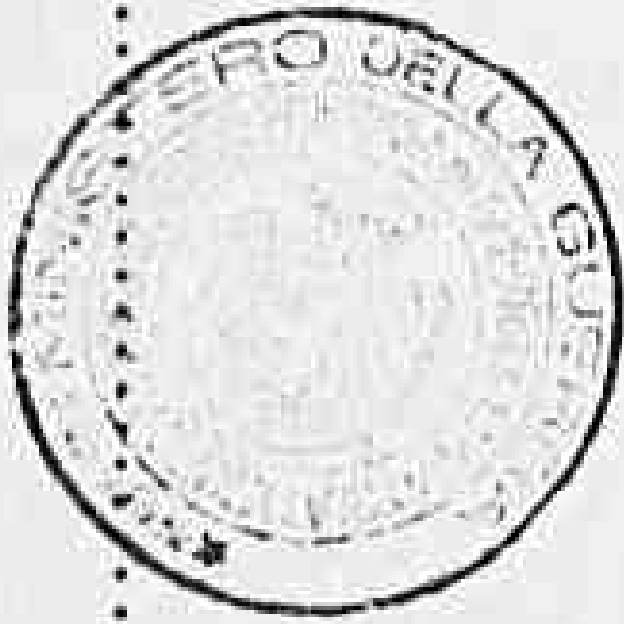
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IL COLONNELLO

CITO DIVISIONE LOGISTICA

Autocarro, come riferisce la lettera di codesto Ufficio.

- b) SABERANTI E INDETERMINATI: 1,400 litri di benzina e 60 di olio sono normalmente richiesti per il funzionamento degli automezzi del Campo giornalmente.



F.TO/ D. ANCHER, CAPT.

CAMP COMMANDANT 54 EVAC.CAMP

PESCAPINA

P. O. C.

IL COLONNELLO

CAPO DIVISIONE LOGISTICA

(M. Anfosso)

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IPW DIV

ConfidentialCopy 1.SUBJECT: - "T" Camp - MARKINGCENTRAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES

3726/A2

HQ Allied Commission,
IPW Division.

10 Jan 46

Copy to: - G-2, G-3, G-4.

Reference your IPW/1/164/82 of 3 Dec 45.

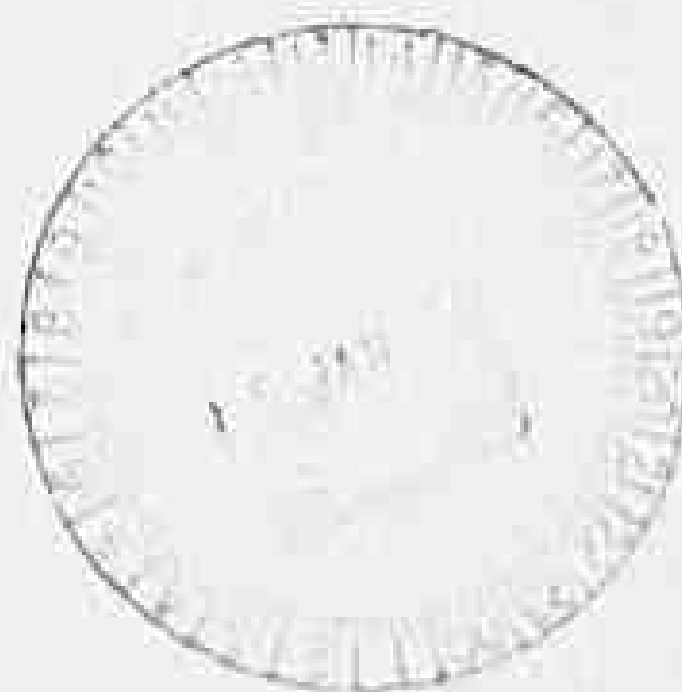
Copy of HQ District letter 121 dated 8 Jan 46 is forwarded
herewith for your information.

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Major General,
D.A.G.

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COPISUBJECT:- "T" Camp - TARANTO3 District
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Ref your 3726/A2 dated 10 Dec 45.

1. "T" Camp TARANTO was allocated to A.C. as accommodation for a ceiling of 10000 Italian Repatriates and the figure of 700 IPW given in HQ AG Civil Affairs Section letter IPT/1/104/73 dated 20 Nov 45 is not understood unless it is intended to apply to permanent covered accommodation as opposed to tents.
2. The average capacity of any single Italian barracks in the Area is in the region of 1,000 and would not be capable of meeting present requirements for IPW. In particular ORSINI barracks is stated to be capable of accommodating 800 with a maximum of 1000 in some discomfort. It is at present in use to accommodate the W/Shops of 762 GT Coy, and 1039 German Labour Coy, and cannot be derequisitioned for the moment.
3. In view of the fact that ORSINI Barracks cannot accommodate 5000 as supposed by AG and that there appears to be some misapprehension regarding the capacity of "T" Camp it is considered that the latter camp should be used to capacity and that the release of ORSINI Barracks would not be adequate alone to meet any great increase of numbers.
4. It has been pointed out that the Italian Staff at "T" Camp already experiences considerable difficulty in administering Repatriates although accommodation and offices are at present centralized. Any decentralization into scattered barracks, even if it were possible to make any available would only increase administrative difficulties further.

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(Sgd) (J.E. WILLIAMS) Maj
for Maj Gen
Comd

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

LPR/732/MED

Tel. 478003

14 January 1946

SUBJECT: No. 1 M.A.C.

TO : S.A.T. Officer
M.M.I.A.

1. It is understood that the War Establishment of the above-mentioned unit is to be reduced and it will, in future, consist of two platoons of twenty ambulances each.
2. In that event, it is presumed that the reduction will be made by the withdrawal of the twenty ambulances located with the Italian Army Cremona Group.
3. It is proposed that the unit of forty ambulances will be under the administrative and operational control of the Italian Ministry of War at Milan. Twenty of these ambulances will be available for duty with displaced person camps operated by the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission and Ministero Assistenza Post Bellica.

4. May the facts quoted in paras 1 and 2 of this letter please be confirmed by you in writing.

For the Director:



B. WOODBURY, M.

3. It is proposed that the unit of forty ambulances will be under the administrative and operational control of the Italian Ministry of War at Milan. Twenty of these ambulances will be available for duty with displaced person camps operated by the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission and Ministero Assistenza Post Bellica.

4. May the facts quoted in paras 1 and 2 of this letter please be confirmed by you in writing.

For the Director:

[Signature]
 B. WOODWARD,
 Major,
 O. I. C. ADM.
 May 25 1946

Copy to: Italian Ministero della Guerra
 (per conoscenza Generale Manarini)
 Italian P.O.W. Division
 HQ 2nd Group DP&RSC (for IT.82)
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/16A/ 10615/Jan/46

SUBJECT : Repatriation of PW from overseas

TO : A.Q.M.G. Branch

NMIA

- 1./ Attached for your information is a copy (translation) of an Admin. Instruction issued by the Italian Ministry of War (Autonomous Office for War Veterans & Repatriated PW) on the subject of the arrangements for the reception of returning IPW.

J.E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

Encl.: translation of letter from A.O.f.W.V.&R.PW(n°420205/RPGR)

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MINISTRY OF W.A.R.
Autonomous Office for War Veterans &
Repatriated Pw.

Rome 30 December 1945

File No. 426205/RPGR

SUBJECT: Repatriation from Overseas.

TO: The TERRITORIAL COMMANDS OF
FLORENCE - BARI - NAPLES

Attention: TO THE CABINET

TO THE ARMY GENERAL STAFF

Office of the Head of the General Staff

TO THE ARMY GENERAL STAFF

Services Office

TO THE ARMY GENERAL STAFF

Transport Office

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF OFFICER PERSONNEL SEDE

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION WARRANT OFFICERS

AND ENLISTED MEN

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION LIAISON BRANCH

AND ADMINISTRATION

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

AND AA.GG.

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF ENGINEER CORPS

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND

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UDINE

BOLOGNA

PALERMO

ROMA

Reference to the following Circular from this Ministry:

No. 421034/HPGR dttd 7 Nov 1945

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION WARRANT OFFICERS
AND ENLISTED MEN SEDE

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION LIAISON BRANCH
AND ADMINISTRATION SEDE

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION CIVILIAN PERSONNEL
AND AA.GG.

TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF ENGINEER CORPS SEDE

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND TURIN

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND MILAN

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND GENOA

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND BOLZANO

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND UDINE

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND BOLOGNA

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND FALERMO

TO THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND ROMA

Reference to the following Circular from this Ministry:

No. 421934/RPCR dtd 7 Nov 1945

No. 424336/RPCR dtd 4 Nov 1945

1. With the arrivals that are in view at the present date, of the first groups of ex prisoners from England and from Italy, including those co-operators already repatriated from the United States, it can be said that the repatriation in mass of our prisoners from over-seas has started.

The number of prisoners to be repatriated is about 400,000 in all. Regarding this repatriation this Ministry has very little information as to just when they will arrive, at what ports they will arrive and the number of each singular group in arrival.

This at least is the present situation, due to available shipping, the movement of Allied troops and the Military and Civilian exigencies of the moment.

Therefore due to the present situation it is only possible to state with assurance (attention circular No. 421934/RPCR)

that the landings of these prisoners will be effectuated at the ports of Naples, Taranto, Leghorn and the Centers to be transferred in the Southern types, of Milan and Novara, must be kept in order to affront eventual arrivals overland from England.

2. It is therefore necessary that the above mentioned Commands consider with attention the following questions:

- That the repatriation from overseas will proceed with an irregular rhythm: to a period of suspension in this repatriation may be followed by a large number of arrivals.

- the arrivals will not always correspond to the number stated nor with the date of arrival, ^{however} has happened in these days at Taranto regarding the ~~entity of the groups~~.

- if the desired rhythm of 50 - 60000 per Month could be obtained, the repatriation of the total number would ~~always~~ take six or seven months. ^{in view of} *rate of arrival permitting*

- however due to the present ~~rhythm~~ and the persistence difficulties of transport, it is to be considered that the period in which the repatriation will be finished, will be longer.

- that, as this Ministry has been constantly requested to obtain the repatriations as quickly as possible ~~with an increased rhythm~~, there must be no limit in the reception capacity for any number of veterans that are reported in arrival.

^{also} In consequence of ~~what is written above~~, the attention of the Commands is again called to the necessity of:

a.- to keep up to the maximum of potentiality, the plants of the Lodging Centers of Naples, Bari and Leghorn (attention preceeding Circular No. 424336/RPCR) increasing as much as possible the administrative organizations, in order to reduce the length of time that the Veterans have to stay in the Centers: the minimum clearance of the Veterans is to be considered as 10% per day of the total capacity of the Camp. (attention Circular 421934)

b.- request immediately and ~~preemptively~~ ^{urgently} with care the rail-way transport necessary for the sorting out and the transfer ~~if possible to other Centers~~ of the surplus number of Veterans.

obtain the repatriations as quickly as possible with an increase in the number of veterans that are reported in arrival.

^{ad 3a} In consequence of ~~what is written above~~, the attention of the Commands is again called to the necessity of:

a.- to keep up to the maximum of potentiality, ~~the plants of the~~ Lodging Centers of Naples, Bari and Leghorn (attention preceeding Circular No. 424336/RPCR) increasing as much as possible the administrative organizations, in order to reduce the length of time that the Veterans have to stay in the Centers: the minimum clearance of the Veterans is to be considered as 10% per day of the total capacity of the Camp. (attention Circular 421934)

b.- request immediately and ~~pre-emptively~~ ^{arranging} with care the rail-way transport necessary for the sorting out and the transfer ~~in~~ possible to other Centers, of the surplus number of Veterans that arrive in groups at the Centers.

It is absolutely necessary that the Military Territorial Commands keep in liaison with the railway transport (for a number superior to 2-300 men the request must be made by telephone to the transport Office of the General Staff, and confirm the demand by teletype Message).

c.- strict vigilance and control ~~on~~ ⁱⁿ the functioning of the Lodging Centers during the influx of the Veterans.

d.- select with great care the personnel of the Lodging Centers in order to have people of capacity to affront any situation when called upon to do so.

To sum up this situation the interested Commands are requested to avoid all inconveniences that will bring about serious

~~reactions on the part of the Veterans.~~ ^{adversely affect}
the morale of the Veterans.

Sgd/ General A. Mannerini

Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
HQ AC APO 304 10 JAN 1946

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.A.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/104/10414/Jan46

SUBJECT : L.O.L. for Italian P.O.W.

TO : Autonomous Office for War Veterans & Repatriated IPW

- 1./ Following is copy of letter of Land Forces S/C A.C.(MMIA) for your information.

ST/1602, 4th Jan. '46

TO: Combined Petroleum Committee, (AFM)

- Further to our letter ST/1602 of Dec/17 we enclose copy of letter received from Repatriated POW Section of Italian Ministry of War giving figures of POL required for repatriation of POWs.
- It has been agreed with Civil Affairs Sect. HQ AG that 340 barrels MT Petrol and 318 barrels of Derv (with percentage of oils) will be sufficient to complete the programme over a period of approximately 6 months.
- It is requested that 1/5th of this amount be allotted for January to be made available as follows:-

<u>M.T. Pet.</u>	<u>Gasoil</u>	<u>C.I.P.</u>
55 bbls	20 bbls	Naples
55 "	20 "	Rari
30 "	15	Florence (as reserve for Leghorn)

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J.E. REGIS
Lieut. Col
Chief IPW Div

see letter 112 sent
with ref no. 104

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

12 January 1946

IPW 1/16/A/10A

Subject : Accommodation for repatriated IPW in Taranto.

To : AC Liaison Officer,
c/o HQ 54 Area.

1/. Reference your LB-115 dated 14 Dec 45.

2/. I returned from an inspection trip through Southern Italy last night. During such trip I investigated the existing accommodation in Taranto and planned for remedies to overcome deficiencies. Gen. Mannerini of the War Ministry accompanied me so that all Italian Authorities concerned were informed of the following:

- a) that the existing accommodation in "1" Camp are to be increased to house 6,000 individuals by using existing barracks and securing additional number of tents or huts required (this is being attended to).
- b) the Galliese barracks, capacity of 1,500, have been turned over to the Italian Authorities, and are being used at full capacity.
- c) the Caserma Rosserol, capacity of 750 to 1,000 has also been turned over and is being used at full capacity.

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5/. The original demand for accommodation for 10,000 was never an over-estimate in fact the repatriation plan from UK for the month of January plus the unannounced arrivals from India, Middle East and North Africa proves it.

6/. We will not require the Oraini barracks at present as you say they are not suitable accommodation for returning IPAs.

Copy for info: B.L.U. - Bari

J. S. MOSES Lt. Col.
Chief I W Division

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SUBJECT :- P.O.L. for Italian P.O.L.

32/1602

4 Jan 46

Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MIL)

ROME

Tel : Rome 480081 Ext 326

To :- COMBINED PETROLEUM COMMITTEE (APIC).

1. Further to our letter 32/1602 of Dec 17 we enclose copy of letter received from Repatriated P.O.L. Section of Italian Ministry of War giving figures of P.O.L. required for repatriation of P.O.Ls.
2. It has been agreed with Civil Affairs Sect, HQ AG that 840 bbls HI Petrol and 318 bbls of Derv (with percentage of oils) will be sufficient to complete the programme over a period of approximately 6 months.
3. It is requested that 1/5th of this amount be allotted for January to be made available as follows :-

<u>P.O.L. PET.</u>	<u>GASOL</u>	<u>C.I.P.</u>
25 bbls	20 bbls	NAPIES
55 "	20 "	BARI
30 "	13 "	FLORINUS (as reserve for Leghorn).
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Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MIL)

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CAPT. CAYNES "DEVONS"
ALLIED LIAISON OFFICER
ITALIAN REPATRIATES CAMP
52 AREA
28/12/1945

H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
I.P.O.F. DIVISION

30 DEC 1945

SUBJECT : RATIONS.

For some considerable time since my return from L.I.A.P. this Camp has been drawing rations for repatriation personnel from the Balkans only.

No letter can be found in the files to this effect.

Ref. your letter HFM/EMG/CMF/501 of 10th November 1945, can it be established that the question of rations are now an Italian responsibility.

Chas Clark
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ALLIED LIAISON OFFICER



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Received by the Commission
TO AC APO 394
Log No 1662

SUBJECT :- P.O.L. Supplementary allotment for No. 10 Terr Comd.

SE/1602

17 Dec 45

Land Forces Sub-Comm A.C. (M.I.A)
ROME

Tel : Rome 489081 Ext 526

To :- COMBINED PETROLEUM COM ITRE HQ, CRT,

1. Confirming telephone conversation Maj PETERSON - Capt CARY.
A supplementary allotment of 90 barrels gasoline and 40 benzine is requested for No 10 Territorial Command Naples for the purpose of transporting repatriated Prisoners of War from the docks to the Lodging Centres.
2. P.O.L. for this purpose was obtained up to Nov 15th from P.S.S.
3. P.O.W. Division have been asked for figures on which bids for January and thereafter can be based.

AKK/AT

[Signature]
For Lt. Col. ADST.,
Land Forces Sub-Comm A.C. (M.I.A.)

Copies to :- I.P.O.W. Division,
S.M.N.E.
No 10 BMT

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APO 304
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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IPW 1/16A/100

28 December 1945

Subject : P.O.L.

To : F.M.I.A.
DA/PM
Copy to S & T for 1602

- 1/. Reference your Q206 dated 17 Dec 45.
- 2/. The attached letter has been received from Ministry of War giving reasons for P.O.L. indent. The quantities quoted in para (5) are sufficient to carry out the complete transporting of all IPW.
- 3/. Gen. Mannerini requests that this complete amount be supplied immediately as there is no way of forecasting how much P.O.L. is required each month owing to the short notice given of arrivals of IPW in Italy. If this is not possible say 1/6th of the complete amount be supplied for January and an additional 1/6th be supplied to hold as a reserve.

Col Regie to

J.E. HEWIS, Lt.Col.
Chief
IPW Division

Copy to: Gen. Mannerini
Autonomous Office for V.V. & B. PW

Incl.- As in para 2.

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Rome 20 December 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for
War Veterans & Repatriated POW
File No. 425472/RPGR

TO: ITALIAN PRISONER OF WAR DIV.
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
R O M E

SUBJECT: Gas for transporting War Veterans and
Repatriates from the Ports to the Lodging
Centers.

1. Following our letter subject as above, sent to your Division on the 8th. Dec 45, we inform you that the gas needed for transport from the ports to the Lodging Centers is for a total amount of 400.000 prisoners, still to be repatriated.

2. Considering that these prisoners will arrive at Naples and Taranto, the Distance from the ports to the Lodging Centers is of about 30 Kilometers.

3. The capacity of the Motor vehicles is of about 40 persons, for the transport of 400.000 Veterans, 100.000 trips will be made by trucks. To this number is added another 3rd. for the transport of Luggage and you therefore obtain the total of 13.333 trips - trucks $(400.000:40+1/3)=13.333$.

4. On the basis of the distance, trip of 30 Kilometers as mentioned above, equals 400.000 kilometers $(13.333 \times 30 = 399.999)$.

5. The quantity of gas used by a heavy truck, is one litre of petrol per kilometer and 1/2, and one litre of Diesel oil for every two kilometers, the total need of gas for the entire transport in question, amounts to: 267.000 litres of petrol or 100.000 litres of Diesel Oil.

Sgd. General A. Mannerini.

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BARI

REF : LB/115

14 December 1945

SUBJECT : I.P.W. -- "T" Repatriation Camp, TARANTO.

TO : Hq Allied Commission
for Civil Affairs Section
Italian Prisoners of War Division.

Reference attached correspondence Q/400/18 A
of 11 December from 52 Area and 7344/C of 22 November
from the Italian Commandant of "T" Repatriation Camp, may
52 Area please be informed:-

Firstly: whether or not it is considered
necessary to retain the British
Administrative Staff and;

Secondly: for how many Italian Repatriates
and/or Italian P.W. is accommodation
required by the Italian Authorities.

HSB/cb

B/F for GC Regis
on his return.

H.S. Hartley
H.S. Hartley, Col.
Liaison Officer
AC BARI

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Italian Prisoners of War Sub Commission
1) AC APU 304 21 DEC 1945
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COPYSUBJECT : Accommodation - "T" Camp

HQ 52 Area, CMR
 Tele: Auto 2002
 Ref : Q.400/18A

AC Liaison Officer
 c/o HQ 54 Area

GHQ 2nd Echelon

1. The whole question of the adm of "T" Camp and its future is becoming very confused. "T" Camp was originally made available by GHQ 2(Maint) on the request of G-7 to house returning Italian PW and, in addition, to perform the functions previously carried out by the Italian Repatriation Camp at TUKKER.
2. The request for the Camp was initiated by AC and it was allotted on the understanding that accon would be required for up to 10,000 Repatriates and returned PW. The average holding of repatriated Italians and PW at present is approx. 1,000 and they are normally held for a period of 4 to 7 days.

3. The Brit Staff administering the Italian Repatriates Camp at TUKKER moved to "T" Camp when TUKKER Camp was closed and there they at present remain. They are, however, now carrying out no duties other than those of normal adm, which, it would appear, could perfectly well be dealt with by the Italian Staff. No WE for the Brit Staff was ever implemented, personnel being provided on an ad hoc basis as a result of a demand by J Dist on O2E.

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ONS.	Two Sgts (A/S Cps25 & 30 respectively)
	One L/Cpl.
	Five Men.

O2E have recently asked whether or not it is intended to implement a proper WE for the Brit Cadre.

5. Att is request from the Italian Comd of the Camp which is self-explanatory. It is not at present possible to release ORSINE Bks which are fully occupied and where huttet soon at any rate exists for only 600 men at a maximum.

6. In view of para 2 above, this would appear to be in no way adequate for the needs already specified, but this HQ is not in a posn to know whether these needs which have recently been substantially reduced in practice are likely to increase again.

7. It is, however, hoped to make GALESE Bks available at the end of this month and the local Italian Authorities have already been advised to this effect.

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8. With regard to the flooding of the camp, of which Col. CORRADO complains, it is pointed out that 2 other identical camps (ie "H" and "G") are situated in the same locality and the same difficulties have been overcome by careful maint of the surface water drainage system. The remedy lies in the hands of the Italian Staff of "H" camp.

9. May the following information please be obtained:-

Firstly: whether or not it is considered necessary to retain the Brit Adm Staff, and

Secondly: for how many Italian Repatriates and/or Italian PW is accn required by the Italian Authorities.

10. It is now quite obvious that the original demand for accn for 10,000 was an over-estimate.

Wnn/Bnc

Signed : /S/
Lt. Col.
RA & QMR.

WHR/2HC

Signed : /S/
Lt. Col.
AA & QMS.

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COMANDO. PRESIDIO MILITARE REGIO ESERCITO
T A R A N T O

No. 7344/o

Taranto 22 Novembre 1945

TO ITALIAN LIAISON SECTION = HQ 32 AREA
TARANTO

SUBJECT: Italian Repatriates Camp ('T' Camp)

Italian Military Territorial HQ Bari, is studying the possibilities of a more suitable settlement of the Italian Repatriates Camp ('T' Camp).

The a/m HQ is especially concerned in eliminating the inconvenience that is inherent in the out of hand location of the camp, which is far from the quays and the railway station, as well as the still more serious inconvenience which is consequential to the present conditions of the camp.

As winter has come, it has been experienced that it is impossible to settle down the repatriates in the tents on account of the very low temperature and frequent rainfalls that transform the camp into a marshy field, so that the repatriates are obliged to lie down on wet and muddy straw without the possibility of a suitable shelter.

Such a critical situation could easily be solved by moving the Italian Repat Camp into the Orsini barracks, located in Tamburi quarters. Said barracks belong to the Italian Military Administration and are now in charge of the Allied Military Authorities, but it would appear that at present the barracks are not occupied.

Said barracks would provide the possibility of settling down all repatriates in barracks so that they could be suitable sheltered. Besides the repatriates camp would be advantaged by the circumstances of being settled in the nearabouts of the railway station, the berths and the ration depot.

You are asked to take the matter up with HQ 32 Area and see whether they would consider the opportunity of handing back the

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You are asked to take the matter up with HQ 52 Area and see whether they would consider the opportunity of handing back the Orsini barracks to the Italian Military Authorities in consideration of the based urgent reasons determining my request.

Will you inform HQ 52 Area that the Italian Military Authorities would be willing to hand over the Kossarol barracks, capable of about 600 men, should the Orsini barracks be handed back.

I am awaiting your reply as I must urgently report to the Military Territorial HQ on the matter.

THE COMMANDANT
(Col. Corrado Grande)

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SUBJECT : P.O.L.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A.
R C M E
Q.206
17 December 1945.

TO : I.F.O.W. Div.

Reference your IPW/1/16A/89 of 12 December 1945.

1. Confirming conversation Major Hamilton - Captain Cary.
2. Letter is required submitting firm figures as a basis for a monthly bid on combined Petroleum Committee for allocation of P.O.L. to Territorial Commands for the purpose of transporting repatriated Prisoners of War from the ports to the Lodging Centres.


C.E. KING, Major
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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Copy : S.T. for 1602.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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HWR/to

IPW 1/16A/95

14 December 1945

Subject : Camps in Southern Italy.

To : Liaison Officer A.O. - BARI

- 1/. Reference your LB/114 dated 6 Dec 45.
- 2/. It is confirmed that AC is not directly responsible for the administration of the IPW Camps at Bari and Lecce inasmuch as they have been handed over to the Italian Government. This Division, however, is responsible for supplying to the Italian Government such articles as they may need for these camps and which cannot be supplied from Italian sources.

J.R.
J.R. REGIS, Lt.Col.
Chief
IPW Division

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MINISTRY OF WAR

Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated POW.

N. 421599/RPGR Prot.

Rome 3rd November 1945

Report regarding the organization of reception
of Military Personnel returning from imprisonment or in-
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MINISTRY OF WAR

Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated POW.

Report regarding the organization for the reception of military personnel from imprisonment or internment.

10) This Office has the competence to provide for all that which concerns the repatriation of Military Personnel from imprisonment or internment, from whatever internment that is from abroad, that regards military operations, from the moment of their arrival in Italy to the moment when they are sent to their homes.

The office acts as a coordinated organ, in all activities performed by the various General Directions of the Ministry of War, each one having its own particular competence.

The organization previewed by the office to solve the above mentioned work, is on the basis of constituting the Lodging Centers, in which the repatriated Military Person-

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From the moment that they are released any further assistance given them is the competence of the Ministry of Post War Assistance.

II°) There are two kinds of Lodging Centers:

Those for the Veterans from imprisonment and those who return from internment, it will be shown later as to how they differ in their functions.

III°) Lodging Centers for Veterans from imprisonment.

a) - Size and locations.

Having modified the prospectus for the organization of the

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above, due to the information received from A.F.H.Q. regarding the influx from overseas of the Military Personnel from imprisonment, the localities where they will be landed and the available transport etc., the office gave disposals and is, at the moment, constituting the following Lodging Centers, under the direct administration and discipline of the Territorial Commands that hold the jurisdiction of the following regions (see enclosure I).

- Bari	capacity	1.550
- Lecce	"	1.550
- Palermo	"	1.500
- Taranto	"	10.000
- Napoli (Aragola, Dugenta, S. Martino)	"	12.000
- Roma	"	3.000
- Livorno	"	5.000
- Novara	"	2.000
- Milano	"	2+3.000
- Mestre (o Treviso)	"	2.000
	Total	<u>40.000</u>

b) Competence of the Lodging Centers.

Organization of the Veteran and hygienic sanitary assistance.

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Food: Daily distribution of ration and articles for their comfort.

The rations distributed as of enclosure N.2. As is shown by the enclosure, part of the rations are furnished by the S.E.P.R.A.L., part is commercially acquired on the open market and part is furnished by the Monopols. 2563

During the trip from the Lodging Center to the localities of residence, the Veterans are furnished with travel rations as in enclosure N.2.

Clothes: A distribution is made of civilian clothes, which are bought through commercial channels and furnished to those military veterans who are in absolute need, in order to be able to travel to their localities of origin.

Matriculation and administration: Compilation of the various

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documents, concerning the position of the Veterans and the payment of their credits, owed to them during their period of imprisonment and for two months after the day that they are repatriated.

Documentation: the documents compiled for the Veterans are as enclosure N.3.

Sorting: To the localities of origin, where the Veterans will have two months leave before being released or recalled to duty.

c) - Present situation of the organization of Lodging Centers.

The present situation is as follows:

- the Lodging Centers at Rome - Lecce - Bari are completed and are working;
- the Lodging Centers of Palermo - Taranto and Naples are in the course of completion but are already working;
- the Lodging Center at Leghorn is being constituted;
- the Lodging Centers of Novara and Milan which at present are functioning for those who come from internment, will be transformed in Lodging Centers for those Veterans who will arrive from the United Kingdom through the North of Europe;
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IV^o) Lodging Centers for those who arrive from Internment.

For the reception and assistance of the Military Personnel who come from internment, who have already in greater part arrived in Italy, the office has predisposed for the constitution of other Centers to affront the large influx of these people, (especially from Germany), and including them in the existing military organizations or in those organizations, that depend from displaced persons.

These Centers result as in enclosure 4.

The assistance given these people is identical with the treatment given to the others: (as above) and differs only in that which concerns matriculation and administration, which latter is limited in giving them a repatriation ticket and in anticipating a sum of money. Their final matriculation and

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administrative position is defined by the competent military Command.

Documentation: The documentation in the order of the day, is limited to the compilation on the part of the Lodging Centers of a repatriation ticket as in Enclosure 5.

V^o) Hospitalization

The sick on arrival in Italy are put in hospital for the necessary sanitary attention and receive civilian rations until completely well. The hospitals result as in enclosure N. 5.

The hospitals in question have the same matriculation and administrative system, relative to the Veterans from imprisonment or internment, as the Lodging Centers.

VI^o) Available transport.

The means of transport for the interior functioning of the Lodging Centers will be furnished by the Centers in question. The transport of the Veterans from localities of arrival to the Lodging Centers and from them to the rail-way stations from where they have to go to their homes, will be furnished by the allied authorities up to the time the Italian military authorities can organize the previewed transport companies.

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VII^o) Interrogation Commissions.

For the examination of the behaviour of the military personnel there exists a central commission at Lecce and a Sub Commission at all the interested Territorial Commands.

For the examination of the Veterans from the Balcanes there exists a Commission at Taranto with a Sub Commission at Bari.

Those who return from internment will be examined at the Military Commands if soldiers, and if officers or warrant officers of the regular army by the Territorial Commands.

Gen. A. Mannerini.

Enclosure N. 2.FOOD RATIONS OF LODGING CENTERSa) Materials to be acquired through the Se.Pr.Al.

- bread	per day	gr.	350
- macaroni	"	"	100
- soup powder	"	"	50
- skimmed powdered milk	"	"	50
- dried vegetable	"	"	100
- sugar	"	"	33
- oil	"	"	6,6
- tinned meat	" week	"	400 (1)

b) Materials to be bought in the open market.

- fresh vegetables	gr.	350
- fresh fruit	"	150
- wine	lt.	1
- concentrated tomatoe sauce	gr.	10

- oil " " 6,6
 - tinned meat " week " 400 (1)

b) Materials to be bought in the open market.

- fresh vegetables gr. 350
 - fresh fruit " 150
 - wine lt. 1
 - concentrated tomatoe sauce gr. 10

c) Materials to be acquired from the State Monopols.

- salt gr. 300 per month
 - tobacco " 5 " day

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d) Quota for better rations.

c. 10 per day.

To the personnel more in need, after a medical examination, up to 25% of the whole, can receive in addition to the normal rations, the following articles:

- 1 egg per day
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ litres of milk
 - 40 gr. of marmalade.

Note (1) - Or every two days 150 gr. of fresh fish or fresh cream cheese, the latter to be substituted with

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gr. 80 of plain cheese excluding the very expensive
cheeses.

Travel rations.

- bread	gr.	350
- fresh cheese	"	75
- fresh fruit	"	150
- wine	lt.	1
- tobacco	gr.	5

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Enclosures to letter 421599/REGR

1. - Lodging Centers for War Veterans and Repatriated POW.
2. - Food rations in Lodging Centers.
3. - Documentation regarding Lodging Centers for War Veterans and Repatriated POW.
4. - Lodging Centers for those who arrive from internment.
5. - Schedule of repatriation for those who arrive from internment.
6. - Hospitals and civilian food rationing for War Veterans, Repatriated Prisoners and Internees.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

REF : 15/114

6 December 1945

SUBJECT : I.P.W. Repatriation Camps.

TO : HQ Allied Commission
for Italian Prisoners of War Division
Civil Affairs Section.

Reference the attached minute of telephone conversation, may it please be confirmed that AC is NOT responsible for the administration of the I.P.W. Camps at BARI and LECCE, because your IPW/1/15/A/77 of 21 Nov. 45 caused this Office to think that AC was responsible.

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H H S Hartley,
H.S. Hartley, Col.
Liaison Officer
AC BARI.

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commissioner
HQ AC APO 384
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I.P.W. Rehabilitation Camps
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Minute of telephone conversation Lt. Col. HARTLEY -
Lt. Col. REGIS of Italian Prisoners of War Division,
Civil Affairs Section, 6 December 1945.

Reference IPW/1/16/A/77

1. Lt. Col. REGIS stated that Allied Commission had originally been responsible for setting up the IPW camps at CENTRO ALLOGGIO BARI and CENTRO ALLOGGIO LECCE, but that the Italian Army was now responsible for their administration.
2. The only ^{IPW} camp for whose administration Allied Commission is responsible is "T" Camp TARANTO.
3. If stores and materials are required for this Camp, AC Liaison Officer, BARI, should inform IPW Division, Civil Affairs Section, who will request MMIA to obtain the stores from the Italian Army.

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ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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13 December 1945

Subject : Centocelle Camp, Rome

To : M.I.A.
Attn: DASH

- 1/. Reference your memo dated 10 Dec 45.
- 2/. The following is information required by you:

(a) Centocelle Barracks

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(b) Capacity of 1200 beds or 1720 places on straw mattresses on the ground.

(c) Absolutely essential as a transit camp for repatriated war veterans passing through Rome. To date some 262,519 repatriates have passed through this camp. This number is likely to increase due to the accelerated repatriation. This camp is also used for accommodation of IPW returning from overseas when sufficient accommodation cannot be found at the ports.

(d) Smaller barracks would not be satisfactory, in fact, it is hoped to enlarge this accommodation for reasons shown in para (c).

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