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Q/1 RATION POLICY - ITALIAN INTERIM Army

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NOV. 1945 - July 1946

POLICY - ITALIAN INTERIM Army - Folio NO 601-731

July 1946

## TRANSLATION

From: M.of W.  
To : MMIA

Ref: 11948/S/I  
Date: 24/7/46

Subject: Reimbursement of foodstuffs.

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We hereby report the deficiencies in foodstuffs which the disbanded Leghorn Central Ration Depot withdrew from the Tombolo 5-L-5I Depot to complete the quantities which have already been reimbursed by your Mission in letter Q/I-130 dated the 15th April 1946:

. Bacon	kg.	1325,582	equal to	2926,3	lbs
. Meat and Vegetable	kg.	445,012	" "	997,4	"
. Luncheon meat	"	96,262	" "	212,8	"
. Corned beef	"	516,421	" "	1140	"
. Chili con carne	"	191,166	" "	422	"
. Vienna Sausage	"	184,154	" "	406,4	"
. Soluable coffee	"	14,949	" "	33	"

The a/m deficiencies have been collected from the a/n Depot from reports of the receiving store and include only the deficiencies noted in crates which arrived undamaged and without any sign of having been tampered with.

The Leghorn Central Depot has already reported the above to the 7th BLU at Florence, putting at its disposal the relative documents for any eventual check.

We ask your Mission therefore to kindly order the reimbursement of the above quantities of foodstuffs, kindly informing this Ministry.

sgd.

Pelligra. -

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## TRANSLATION

*Presented  
Mar 1947*

From: M. of W.  
To : MMIA

Ref: 11948/S/I  
Date: 25/7/46

Subject: Reimbursement of rations. -

We forward herewith a list of the deficiencies in rations found on their arrival, that the disbanded Central Ration Depot of Leghorn drew from 5-4-51 Depot of Tombolo in order to complete the quantities already reimbursed by your Sub Commission with letter Q/1-130 dated 15 April 1946.

Bacon	2926,3	lbs
Meat & Vegetable	997,4	lbs
Luncheon meat	212,8	lbs
Corned beef	1140	lbs
Chili con carne	422	lbs
Vienna sausages	406,4	lbs
Soluble coffe	33	lbs

The above deficiencies have been gathered by the a/m Depot of Leghorn from ~~stores~~ statements forwarded by the receiving stores and include only the deficiencies found in packages which were in perfect condition and showed no trace of pilfering.

The same depot has already informed 7 BLU of Florence and placed at its disposal all relative documents for checking purposes.

We therefore beg you to order the reimbursement of said rations and also inform this Ministry. -

G/R.

sgd. Felligra  
Gen. -

See AFHQ FA 61757-412 Doc

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HEADQUARTERS PENINSULAR BASE SECTION

24 OCTOBER 1945

UNCLASSIFIED

ROUTINE

TO (ACTION) : PENBASE AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND  
 (INFORMATION) : MMIA  
 FROM : MTOUSA  
 DATE TIME SIGNED : 241307A  
 DATE TIME REC'D : 241615A  
 REFERENCE NR : O 31188  
 CITE : NONE

UNCLASSIFIED. AS OF 1 NOVEMBER, UNITED STATES FURNISHED PORTION OF RATION FOR ALL US-ITI TROOPS WILL BE ISSUE DIRECT FROM US DEPOTS ON SCALE SHOWN IN PARAGRAPH 5A. MTOUSA SUPPLY DIRECTIVE NUMBER 46, DATED 29 APRIL 1945. ITALIAN PORTION OF THE RATION SCALE WILL BE DRAWN BY US-ITI UNITS FROM NEAREST ITI-ITI DEPOT. CONSOLIDATED VOUCHER WILL BE PREPARED BY YOU AS OF THE LAST DAY OF EACH MONTH SHOWING THE QUANTITIES IN NET POUNDS OF US ITEMS ISSUED BY US DEPOTS. SUPPORTED BY THE ACTUAL RATION RECEIPTS AND SIGNED BY THE ITALIAN PERSONNEL TAKING DELIVERY OF THE RATIONS. VOUCHERS WILL BE FORWARDED TO MMIA FOR CHARGE AGAINST THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT. ITALIAN DEPOTS ARE BEING INSTRUCTED TO STOP ISSUE OF US PORTION OF RATION TO US-ITI UNITS AS OF 1 NOVEMBER 1945. ITEMS SUCH AS CIGARETTES, SOAP, ETCETERA. WILL BE DRAWN FROM NEAREST ITALIAN DEPOT BY UNITS CONCERNED.

SHIPPING TICKETS COVERING ITEMS OF CLOTHING, INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLE SPARE PARTS FURNISHED TO US-ITI UNITS THROUGH OCTOBER 31 WILL BE FORWARDED TO REACH MMIA NOT LATER THAN 5 NOVEMBER. SHIPPING TICKETS COVERING ISSUES SUBSEQUENT TO 31 OCTOBER WILL BE FORWARDED TO MMIA WITH LEAST PRACTICABLE DELAY AS PRESCRIBED IN SUPPLY DIRECTIVE NUMBER 46.

INFO: QM  
 G-4 MMIA. OG. SECY

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : LTCUSA

DATE TIME  
111532

TO : AGWAR

INFO : MMIA PBS

REF : FX 74248

RESTRICTED.

REFERENCE W.88164, OF THE 20 DECEMBER 1946, CHANGE IN BASIC RATION SCALE FOR UNITED STATES - CONTROLLED ITALIA TROOPS IS SUBJECT (.)

BRITISH HAVE RELEASED ALL BRITISH - CONTROLLED ITALIAN FORCES, AND STATE THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN UNITED STATES - ITI RATIONS WILL NOT AFFECT THEM (.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CHANGE IN BASIC RATION AS STATED IN P.73777 BE APPROVED

EROF V. LAMER NR R 269/11

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FROM WFOUSA 111532

13 JAN 1947 667

TO ACWAR

INFO NMIA PDS

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PK 74248

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 RESTD PD REURAD WILLIAM EIGHT EIGHT ONE SIX FOUR ONE  
 TWENTY DECEMBER ONE NINE FOUR SIX ONE CHANGE IN BASIC RATION SCALE  
 FOR UNITED STATES ~~DASH~~ CONTROLLED ITALIA TROOPS IS SUBJECT ~~RE-SIGNED~~  
 CONTROLLED ITALIAN FORCES CHA AND STATE THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN UNCLE  
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 AS STATED IN FOR DASH SEVEN THREE SEVEN SEVEN SEVEN BE APPROVED

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SENT AFB K

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46 LROF V LAEE NR 223/21 A MTOUSA

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TO ALCOM ACSCC ATTN : ADMIRAL STONE

BT

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UNCLASSIFIED PD REFERENCE YOUR CABLE

QUEEN FIVE FIVE PAREN ~~QUEEN~~/QUERY PAREN AN

INCREASE OF ONE DOG ~~RE~~/RATION AND ONE PACKAGE

OF BRIZILIAN CIGARETTES PER

INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY UNITED STAES PD

BT

SENT NR 223/21 AT 1629 STANNERS B

See 735

Recd 1625  
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Telephone:  
Home 489084 Ext 334

LAND FORCES SUB COMM, AC (INDIA) CMB

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28 Dec 46

Ministry of War

Subject: Hot Rations for Guards

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1. Reference is made to General Commissary Directorate letter 19828/3/1 of 13 December 1946.
  2. The attention of the Auxiliary Troops Command, Peninsular Base Section, Loughorn, has been directed to the situation described in your letter under reference. The appropriate authorities have promised to investigate and take necessary remedial action.
  3. Please inform this Headquarters if the conditions have not been ameliorated after a reasonable length of time.

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NORMAN E. FISKE  
Colonel  
Deputy Comd

JJW/jw

See 736

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TRANSLATION

From: M. of W/  
To : MMIA

Ref: 19828/S/1  
Date: 13/12/46

Subject: Issue of spirits to US-ITI units. -

The Florence Military Territorial Command has pointed out the necessity of issuing spirits to the personnel of the XXVIII Military Police Battalion Companies which carry out guard duties at depots and provide train guards for the Allied Military Administration under difficult conditions and in areas where the temperature is particularly low.

We therefore beg your Sub-commission to examine the possibility of issuing spirits to the a/m personnel.

Thanking you in anticipation we await your kind reply. -

sgd. Pelligra  
Gen.

*28/11/46*

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*Major Van Kirk spoke 24 Dec  
w/aux. Tp. Comd PBS. Col He  
promised to investigate + take  
necessary action.*

*see 737*

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*PH*

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ALCOM ACSCC FROM ADMIRAL STONE

A 19 Dec

AFHQ

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UNCLASSIFIED

FOR G-5 (.)

UNDERSTAND SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MENU PREPARED FOR S&P (.) STRONGLY  
INCREASED US IFFI UNITS RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL CHRISTMAS  
RATION

*See 738*

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LAND FORCES SUP COM AG (M&IA)

FROM: M.N.I.A.

MFOUSA

INFO: Ministry of War

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BY HAND OF L.O.

UNCLASSIFIED

YOUR SIGNAL BT C 6767 OF 10 DEC REQUESTS STOP PROPOSED CHANGES  
IN US-III RATION SCALE ACCEPTABLE TO ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY STOP  
WAR MINISTRY ALSO AGREES TO ISSUE OF FRESH MEAT TO US-III'S STOP

see 703

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*J. J. Ward, Capt*

J. J. WARD, Captain -Asst. G-4.

(COPY),

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11/12/46

MESSAGE IN

FROM : MTOUSA 101846A

TO : MMIA

BT C 67457

UNCLASSIFIED (.) IS PLANNED HERE TO RECOMMEND TO WAR DEPARTMENT CHANGES IN BASIC RATION SCALE FOR ITALIAN ARMED FORCES UNDER US CONTROL AS INDICATED HEREAFTER (.)

FROM US SOURCES :-

INCREASE OF TWO OUNCES MACARONI AND DECREASE OF TWO OUNCES FLOUR AND TWO OUNCES CANNED MEAT (.)

FROM ITALIAN SOURCES:-

INCREASE OF FIVE OUNCES FRESH MEAT (.)

REQUEST THE PROPOSED CHANGES BE PRESENTED TO THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES AND THIS HEADQUARTERS NOTIFIED OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY TO SUPPLY THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF FRESH MEAT

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*Dep. Comd.*

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(47) LROY V LAEE NR 323/12  
FROM NTOUSA 101843A  
TO MMIA  
BT C 67457  
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UNCLASSIFIED (U) IS PLANNED HERE TO RECOMMEND TO WAR DEPARTMENT CHANGES IN BASIC RATION SCALE FOR ITALIAN ARMED FORCES UNDER UNCLE SUGAR CONTROL AS INDICATED HEREAFTER (U) FROM UNCLE SUGAR SOURCES ON INCREASE OF TWO OUNCES MACARONI AND DECREASE OF TWO OUNCES FIGUR AND TWO OUNCES CANNED MEAT (U) FROM ITALIAN SOURCES ON INCREASE OF FIVE OUNCES FRESH MEAT (U) PARA REQUEST THE PROPOSED CHANGES BE PRESENTED TO THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES AND THIS HEADQUARTERS NOTIFIED OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY TO SUPPLY THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF FRESH MEAT (U)

BT  
SENT NR (47) BY E.B.

Pd 2010

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STT 732

TRANSLATION

FROM: M. of W.

REF: I4480/S/I

TO : M.M.I.A.

DATE: 28/8/46

SUBJECT: Medico-hygienic condition of military personnel of the 2nd Group Bn. (US-ITI).

The Military Territorial Command of Naples reported that in units of the 2nd Group Bn. (US-ITI) there are several men suffering from trouble in the gastro-intestinal regions.

The causes of these complaints, as can be noted in enclosed letter of the M.O. in charge, are to be attributed to the insufficient issue of vitamins and to the possible presence of "tomatine" in the tinned meat.

While the insufficient issue of vitamins is being made good with the issue of fresh lemons to units, we beg you to kindly examine the possibility of changing the daily issue of "Meat Vegetable Hash" with another type of tinned meat.

Sgd. PELLIGRA  
Minister

G.F.  
Copy of translation  
passed to Lt Col Morse  
for action along with  
general recommendations  
for ration increase

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## TRANSLATION

From: 2nd Group Battalion HQ  
To : 2nd Batt. group.-

Ref: 510/san  
Date: 24/7/46

Subject: Medical hygienic conditions of military personnel.

For some time it has been revealed that in many Units there have been complaints of "gastro-enteriti acute, enteriti dissenteriformi, diarree tossiche, gengiviti, etc." -

These cases have been cured in their own Unit sick-quarters, after few days of the appropriate cure.

It has been my task to carry out enquiries in order to find out the true cause of these intestinal troubles, and according to the opinion of Unit MOs, who have direct contact with the men, I hold that the lack of vitamins and the presence of "tomatine" in the tinned food, specially in the "MEAT VEGETABLE HASH", given to the troops in this warm weather, can be the cause of these complaints.

Therefore I propose that at every meal troops should be given "acido ascorbico" contained in fresh lemons, and fresh meat and, should it not be available, frozen meat, in place of the "MEAT VEGETABLE HASH". -

Durante  
Capt.

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Ministero della Guerra

Dir. Gen. Serv. Comm/ to e Amm/ vi

Divisione Subs. ze Sec. I<sup>a</sup>

Prot. N. 1480/S/1. Allegato 1

Roma 28 AGO 1946

LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION

A.C. (MMIA)

ROMA

Risposta al Foglio del Div. Sec. N. 2

OGGETTO: condizioni igienico sanitarie dei militari del 2° Gruppo Battaglioni (US-ITI).-

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RECEIVED 29 AUG 1946

Il Comando Militare Territoriale di Napoli ha fatto presente che presso i Reparti del 2° Gruppo Battaglioni (Us. Iti) si verificano numerosi casi di disturbi all'apparato gastro-intestinale.-

Le cause delle lamentate affezioni, come si rileva dall'acclusa relazione del dirigente il servizio sanitario, sono da attribuirsi alla insufficienza di vitamine ed alla eventuale presenza di tomaine nella carne scatoletta.-

Mentre per sopperire alla mancanza di vitamine si è provveduto a somministrare ai reparti limoni freschi, si prega codesta Sottocommissione di voler esaminare la possibilità di variare la somministrazione giornaliera del "Meat Vegetable Hash" alternandola con altro tipo di carne scatoletta.-

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (MMIA)

Seen

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Capt

la Ref

10 AUG 1946

TRANSLATION

IN 1200 Date 3/8. EL MINISTRO

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TRANSLATION

From: Presidency of the Council of Min.  
To : M. of W.  
Ref: ANR/I/2608/G/5  
Date: 2/7/46

Subject: Supply of 7624 lbs (3, tons and 459 kilos) of imported dried veg.

Reply to letter 8031/S/I dated 24/5/46.

712 I -  
43-4/FA dated 2nd May from A.C. Sub Commission for supply and agriculture and letter Q/I/135 dated 30th April from MMIA. -709

2 - We would inform you that, further to the aforesaid letter, instructions have been given in a separate letter to the Italian Agriculture Federation to put at the disposal of your department 7624 lbs - 3 tons 459 kilos - of dried imported veg, final balance of the 388 tons of the same products which was previously allocated by the British Army to the Italian Army.

3 - Your Ministry is asked to make arrangements with the Agricultural Federation for the withdrawal of the dried veg put at your disposal in this letter.

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with ref. to the e/m letter and letter  
43-4/FA dated 2nd May from A.C. Sub Commission for  
supply and agriculture and letter Q/I/135 dated 30th  
April from MMIA.

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HEADQUARTERS  
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION  
APO 782

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8/7/46

AG 431 BFCUP

21 JUN 1946

SUBJECT: Canned Meats.

TO : Commanding Officer, Land Forces  
Sub Commission, A.C. (MIA)  
Rome, APO 794  
(Att'n: Major Nelson)

Per verbal request Major Nelson, Allied Commission to Major Birks,  
Q1 Class 1, following information is submitted:

1. Canned Meat & Vegetable Stew is composed of:

Beef	50%
Potatoes	15%
Carrots	15%
Beans, Dry	8%
Tomato Juice or pulp	12%

2. Canned Meat & Vegetable Hash is composed of:

Beef	40%
Pork	10%
Potatoes	46%
Onions	4%

3. Canned Chili Con Carne is composed of:

Type I (w/o Beans)	
Beef	60%
Fat	20%
Cereals	8%
Type II (w/Beans)	
50% of Type I	
35% Beans (after soaking)	

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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Gordon W. Giam*  
GORDON W. GILIAM  
Captain A.G.D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

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See 727

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HEADQUARTERS  
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION  
APO 782

AG 130 RESUP

17 JUN 1946

SUBJECT: Release of Subsistence to Italian Army.

TO : Commanding Officer  
Land Forces Sub Commission  
Allied Commission (MMIA)  
APO 794

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1. Reference: 1st Ind. this Headquarters to Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (MMIA) dated 31 May 1946 in response to letter your Headquarters, file Q/1-130, dated 15 April 1946, subject: "Shortages of Foodstuffs Released to the Italian Army."

2. Attached hereto is signed copy of WDSB C-3294 as requested per telephone conversation, Major Sullivan, A.C. - Major Birks, QM Class I Officer.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Gordon W. Gillam*  
GORDON W. GILLAM  
Captain A.G.D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

1 Incl:  
WDSB C-3294

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<b>WAR DEPT. SHIPPING DOCUMENT</b>		VOUCHER NO.	STATION	REQUISITION NO.	NO.	DAY	TH	MONTH	RECAPITULATION OF																					
		0 3294	INDIANAPOLIS		JUNE 1	44	1	TOTAL PAGES																						
DATE SHIPPED	CONSIGNEE	Q4, 20 61st Base Depot																												
0 June 4, 1944		PAC, AND 782																												
CAR NO. & INITIAL		ITALIAN ARMY DEPOT,																												
		INGHORN, ITALY																												
WAL NO.																														
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CARRIER	Truck																													

To be signed for by representative (collector)

STOCK NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	UNIT OF MEAS.	NO. OF PAGES	TYPE OF PAGES	PAG. NUMBER	UNIT WT.	TOTAL WEIGHT	UNIT CUBE
	Mash, M & V	6/6 3/4	55	cases	3 cans	lbs		
	Coffee, Soluble	30/20 oz	2	cases		lbs		
	Pork Tongue	9/6	4	cases	2 cans	lbs		
	Chili Con Carne	6/6	16	cases				
	Mash, Corned Beef	6/5 3/4	27	cases	2 cans	lbs		
	Stew, M & V	24/30 oz	3	cases	11 cans	lbs		
	Luncheon Meat	18/40 oz	9	cases				
	NOTE: EXACT QUANTITIES AS STATED ABOVE TO BE RELEASED.							

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REASON	REQUESTION NO.	NO.	DAY	YE	MONTH	RECAPITULATION OF SHIPMENT										PROPERTY COPY		
URGENT		JUNE	1	64	1	TOTAL PAGES	TYPE PAGES	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL WEIGHT	TOTAL CUBIC	CONSIGNEE VOUCHER NO.							
Base Depot											VOUCHER DATE							
DEPT.											TALLY NUMBER							
						TOTAL												
<p>To be signed for by receiving representative (collector marked X)</p>																		

DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	UNIT OF MEAS.	NO. OF PKGS.	TYPE OF PKGS.	PKG. NUMBER	UNIT WT.	TOTAL WEIGHT	UNIT CUBE	TOTAL CUBE	ITEM NO.	STOCK COND.	TALLY QUANTITY ACTUALLY SHIPPED	QUANTITY RECEIVED	DATE	INITIALS
6/6 3/4	lbs	55	cases	3 cans	lbs				1.		2247.75			
30/20 oz	lbs	2	cases		lbs				2.		75			
9/6	lbs	4	cases	2 cans	lbs				3.		220			
6/6 1/2	lbs	10	cases						4.		624			
6/5 3/4	lbs	27	cases	2 cans	lbs				5.		943			
24/30 oz	lbs	34	cases	11 cans	lbs				6.		1,561			
18/40 oz	lbs	9	cases						7.		22.5			
<p>NOTE: EXACT QUANTITIES AS STATED ABOVE TO BE RELEASED.</p>														

ARTICLES SHOWN IN COLUMN HEADED "QUANTITY RECEIVED" HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN APPARENT GOOD CONDITION THIS DATE

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

INITIALS: *[Handwritten Signature]*

ARTICLES SHOWN IN COLUMN HEADED "TOTAL PAGES" HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN APPARENT GOOD CONDITION (EXCEPT AS NOTED ON REVERSE SIDE).

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

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HEADQUARTERS  
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION  
APO 782

AG 431 BRSUF

SUBJECT: Canned Meats.

JUN 7 1946

TO : Commanding Officer  
Land Forces Sub Commission A.G. (LMSA)  
Rome, APO 794

1. Information regarding percentage of meat in can of Chili Con Carne and can of Meat and Vegetable Hash is not available at this Headquarters.
2. Above information requested per telephone conversation Major Nelson, A.C. - Major Birks, QM Class I Officer.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Gordon W. Giltam*  
 GORDON W. GILTAM  
 Captain A.G.D.  
 Assistant Adjutant General

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Q/Aes.  
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Q 01621  
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1st Ind to ltr Hq. AC (MMIA) to CO PBS, file Q/1-132, dtd 18 Apr 46, subj:  
"Repayment of Flour from Italian Government".

AG 433 BPSUP (18 Apr 46) 1st Ind.

702 JUN 13 1946  
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HEADQUARTERS, PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, APO 782, U.S. ARMY

TO: Chief Commissioner,  
Land Forces Sub Commission,  
A.C. (MMIA), Rome  
APO 794.

Receipt of flour as outlined in para 1, basic communication, is hereby  
acknowledged.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Gordon W. Gillam*  
GORDON W. GILLAM  
Captain A.G.D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

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Date

*GMS*  
17/6/46  
WA

SUBJECT : Repayment of Flour from Italian Government.  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
 A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
 Q/1-132  
 18 April 1946

TO : Commanding Officer,  
 Peninsular Base Section,  
 APO. 782, U.S.Army.  
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FOR QUARTERMASTER.

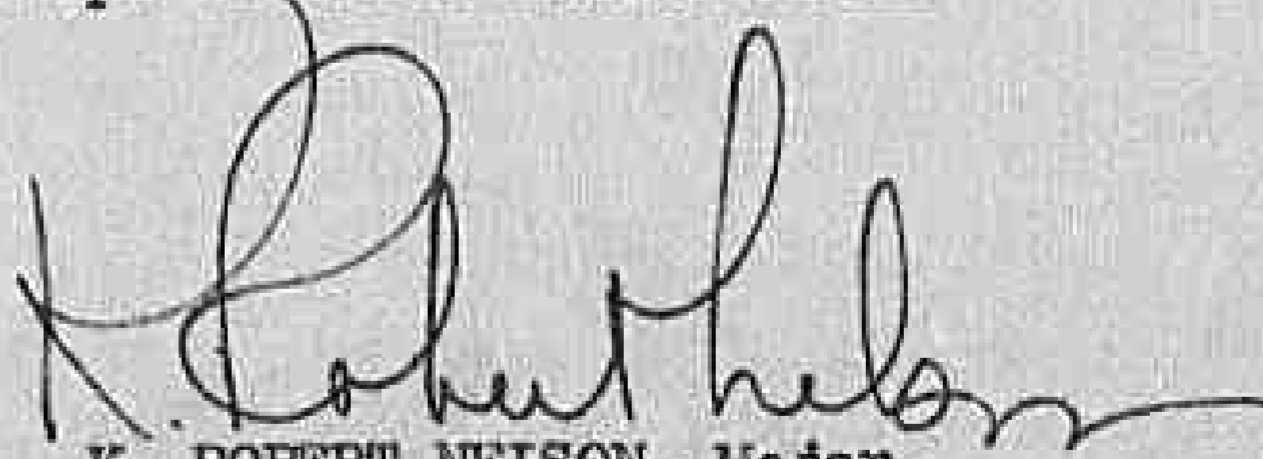
Further to our letter Q/1-126 of 30 March 1946, not to all.

1. Below is summary of shipments of Flour by the High Commissioner for Food, Rome, to QM, PBS in repayment of loan made to the Italian Army in December 1945:

DATE.	No. OF RAIL CARS.	No. OF SACKS.	METRIC TONS.
23 March 46	35	12,578	578,706
24 March 46	19	7,181	325,730
25 March 46	17	6,280	284,600
* 31 March 46	2	661	29,982
2 April 46	10	3,830	173,720
3 April 46	10	3,930	178,266
5 April 46	16	6,431	291,712
* Shipped to Rome Depot 5R50.		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1862.716</u>

2. All flour has been consigned to PBS Depot 5L51, Tombolo, except as noted above.

3. It is requested that you confirm receipt of flour indicated in para 1 above.

  
 K. ROBERT NELSON, Major,  
 for, Major-General,  
 M. M. I. A.

KRN/sl.

COPY : G-4, MTOUSA, APO 512, U.S. Army.  
 Food and Agriculture Branch, AICOM.  
 Ministry of War.  
 High Commissioner for Food, Rome.

INTERNAL:  
 ADST, M.M.I.A.

SUBJECT: Release of Foodstuffs.  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.G. (M. M. I. A.) ROME  
Q/1-136  
7 June 1946  
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TO : Ministry of War.  
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Reference your letter 8670/S of 31 May 1946.

1. PBS has advised that the following released have been made to the Italian Army.

<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>QUANTITY (net lbs)</u>
Hash, Meat & Vegetable	2,242
Pork Tongue	226
Chili Con Carne	618
Hash, Corned Beef	939
Stew, Meat & Vegetables	1,541
Luncheon Meat	22
Coffee Soluble	67

2. Our letter Q/1-130 of 15 April 1946 refers.

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*Edward D.S. Sullivan*  
EDWARD D.S. SULLIVAN, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: 7 B.L.U.  
CL, PBS, APO 782 U.S. Army (your AG 130 (EBSUP of 4 June 46 refers))

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AIST M.M.I.A.

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PENINSULAR BASE SECTION  
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JUN 5 1946

SUBJECT: WDSB's C-3294 and C-3296.

TO : Commanding Officer  
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (MMIA)  
Rome, APO 794  
(Att'n: Major Nelson)

Attached hereto are copies of War Department Shipping Documents (WDSB's) C-3294 and C-3296, dated 1 June 1946, per telephone conversation Major Nelson, A.C. - Major Birks, Class I Officer, QM FBS.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Gordon W. Gil*  
GORDON W. GIL  
Captain A.G.D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

2 Incls:  
#1 - WDSB C-3294  
#2 - WDSB C-3296

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HEADQUARTERS  
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JUN 5 1946

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TO : Commanding Officer  
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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GORDON W. GILHAM  
Captain A.G.D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

2 Incls:  
#1 - WSD C-3294  
#2 - WSD C-3296

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	Pork Tongue	lbs						
	Chili Con Carne	lbs						
	Bash, Corrad Beef	lbs						
	Stew, M & V	lbs						
	Luncheon Meat	lbs						
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	lbs								1.			2,212	
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	lbs								4.			618	
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STOCK NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	UNIT OF MEAS.	NO. OF PAGES	TYPE OF PAGES	PAG. NUMBER	UNIT WT.	TOTAL WEIGHT	UNIT CUBE
	Flour	lbs						
	Beans, M. P. V.	lbs						
	Lard	lbs						
	Chili Con Carne	lbs						
	Onions, Dehyd.	lbs						
	Cabbage, Dehyd.	lbs						
	Carrots, Dehyd.	lbs						
	Cheese, Evap.	lbs						
	Sugar, Gran.	lbs						
	Coffee, Beans	lbs						
	Tomato Catup	lbs						
	Pepper, Black	lbs						
NOTE: EXACT QUANTITIES AS STATED ABOVE								
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	lbs								1.			1,335	
	lbs								2.			300	
	lbs								3.			400	1,335
	lbs								4.			335	
	lbs								5.			400	
	lbs								6.			200	1,335
	lbs								7.			256	
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 1st Ind to 1st HQ Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (MMIA) to CO PES,  
 file Q/1-130, dtd 15 Apr 46, subj: "Shortages of Foodstuffs released  
 to the Italian Army."

AG 130 BPSUP (15 Apr 46) 1st Ind. JUN 4 1946

HEADQUARTERS, PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, APO 782, U.S. Army.

TO: Commanding Officer, Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C. (MMIA), Rome,  
 APO 794.

1. Thorough investigation of records supporting release of sub-  
 sistence to Italian Food Depot, Leghorn on Distribution Directives  
 #I-7937 and #I-7848-A reveals undershipment of items in quantities as  
 listed in Para 2, basic communication.

2. Due to non-availability or shortage in supply of certain meat  
 items, substitutions on a pound for pound basis are necessitated as fol-  
 lows:

ITEM	NET POUNDS
Hash, Meat & Vegetable	2,242
Pork Tongue	226
Chili Con Carne	618
Hash, Corned Beef	939
Stew, Meat & Vegetable	1,541
Luncheon Meat	22

3. Coffee Soluable, sixty-seven (67) pounds, included in above  
 items for release.

4. Arrangements being made in conformity with request as contained  
 in Para 6, basic communication.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Gordon W. Gilliam*  
 GORDON W. GILLIAM  
 Captain A.G.D.  
 Assistant Adjutant General

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1st Ind to 1st MG Land Force Sub Commission A.C. (MHA) to CG 730,  
file Q/1-130, dtd 18 Apr 46, subj: "Shortages of Foodstuffs released  
to the Italian Army."

AM 130 DWDP (18 Apr 46) 1st Ind.

JUN 4 1946

HEADQUARTERS, PENINSULAR MARE REGION, APO 730, U.S. Army.

TO: Commanding Officer, Land Force Sub Commission, A.C. (MHA), Hqs.,  
APO 730.

1. Thorough investigation of records supporting release of sub-  
sistence to Italian Food Depot, Leghorn on Distribution Directives  
SI-7337 and SI-7345-A reveals undershipment of items in quantities as  
listed in Para 2, basic communication.

2. Due to non-availability or shortage in supply of certain meat  
items, substitutions on a pound for pound basis are necessitated as fol-  
lows:

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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GORDON W. GILLAM  
Captain, A.G.D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

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SUBJECT: Shortages of Foodstuffs released to the Italian Army.  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
 A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
 Q/1-130  
 15 April 1946  
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TO : Commanding Officer,  
 Peninsular Base Section,  
 APO 782, U.S. Army  
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For - QUARTERMASTER

1. Confirming telephone conversation, Jones - Nelson, 15 April 46, it is requested that commodities in amounts indicated below be released to the Italian Army Food Depot, Leghorn.

2. Items requested follow:

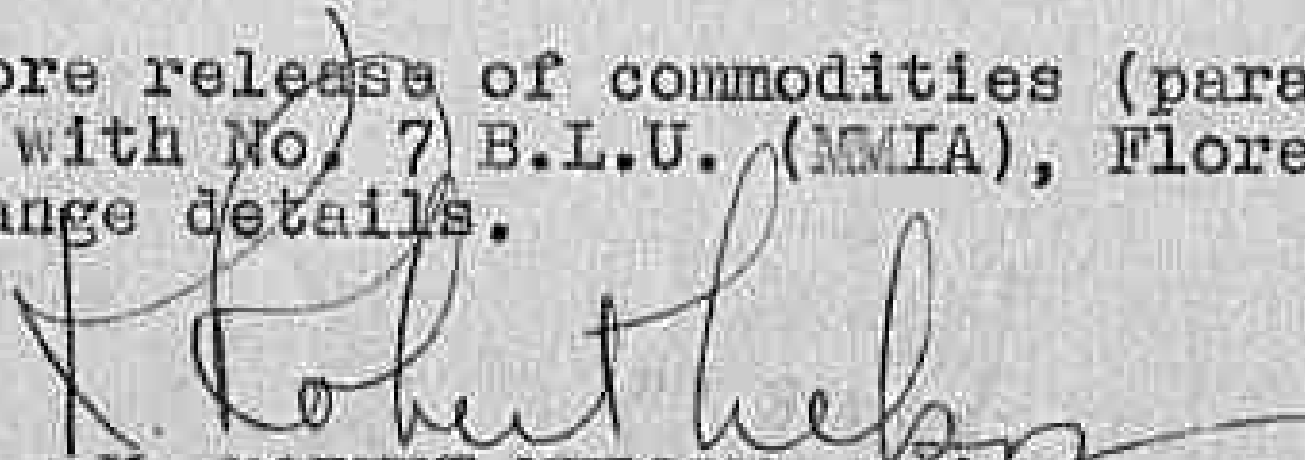
<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u> (net lbs)
Bacon	2,242
Coffee, Soluble	67
Corned Beef	226
Chili Con Carne	618
Vienna Sausage	939
Hash, Meat and Vegetable	1,541
Luncheon Meat	22

3. It is confirmed that substitutes for commodities indicated above will be acceptable, weight for weight, if item is not available.

4. Shortages have been reported by the Italian Army upon verification of receipts.

5. Original release of foodstuffs was in PBS QM Distribution Directives I-7937 and I-7848-A.

6. It is requested that before release of commodities (para 2 above) is made, contact be made with No. 7 B.L.U. (MMIA), Florence, telephone - Florence 1113, to arrange details.

  
 K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
 for Major General  
 M. M. I. A.

KRN/ri

Copy to:

7 BLU (Your BLU/ST/G 6 of 9 Apr refers)

Ministry of War

Internal:

ADST, MMIA

TRANSLATION

FROM : Ministry of War  
 TO : M.M.I.A.  
 FOR INFO : DETACHMENT OF MILITARY COMMISSARIAT - LEGHORN  
 (refers 1627 dated 7/5/1946)  
 REF : 8670 DATE : 31/5/1946

KRN 7/16  
 723

SUBJECT : Foodstuffs released to the Italian Army

With letter No. <sup>700</sup> Q/1/-130 dated 15 April 1946, this Sub-Commission requested that the following foodstuffs be released to the Italian Army Food Depot, Leghorn, as balance for the quantities assigned in due time to the Allied Depots and withdrawn less from the warehouses or depots of the Army :

Bacon	lbs	2,212
Coffee, Soluble		67
Corned Beef		226
Chili con Carne		618
Vienna Sausage		939
Hash, Meat & Vegetable		1,541
Luncheon Meat		22

The Detachment Military Commissariat of Leghorn which is in charge with the withdrawal of the mentioned foodstuffs, inform us that the Allied organizations of that place didn't deliver the foodstuffs not having received any communication by this Sub-Commission.

We ask you, therefore, to kindly intervene with the concerned Offices regarding the delivery of the above-mentioned foodstuffs.

/sgd/ PELLIGRA

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*Lord Jones s/c*

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*KRN 4/6*

RESTRICTED.

Feeding of Italian armed Forces. Reference No. 3290 dated 27 May 46.  
It is not considered by AFHQ and agreed telephone conversation Sealey-Cowper even date that action on fan 663 is necessary.  
2. Your letter 8255/184 dated 20 April 1946 refers and finalised the arrangement for provisioning Italian Armed Forces by the Italian Government wef 1 June 1946.

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*704*  
*1/5/46*  
*RA*

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CHIEF, C&P. FOR D.S.T.

ITALIAN MINISTRY OF WAR - ALONG FOR FOOD AGRICULTURE.

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UNRESTRICTED.

SUBJECT T O M A T O P A S T E (\*) ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY DO NOT  
WISH TO BE DEPRIVED TOMATO PASTE OFFERED (\*) SIX MONTH SUPPLY ALREADY  
HOLD ITALIAN ARMY DEPOT (\*) TELONG MAJ KOLSON - CAPT GRIMM 28 MAY  
RUMBLE

POST, MILA.

R O U T I N G

"2" ACCOUNTS.

H.S.

E. ROBERT HARRIS, MAJOR.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, CMF  
S.T. BRANCH

Subject: Additional Rations for Troops  
Operating at High Altitudes.

69/23/ST6

28 May 46



TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of Agriculture & Forests  
TO : M.M.I.A.

REF: AMR/I/1998  
DATE: 14/5/46

SUBJECT: Return of lb. 22733 (tons. 10314)  
dried pulses imported.

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KRN 22/5  
Final  
This is now complete.  
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- 1 - With reference to letters n° 43-4/FA dated 2 May of AC Food and Agriculture subcommission and n° Q/I/135 dated 30 April 1946 of AC Army Subcommission. 709
  - 2 - We agree on the final balance of lbs 22733 (equal to tons 10.314) of dried pulses which is still to be returned to the British Army against the amount of tons 388, which was loaned to the Italian Army last February.
  - 3 - With separate letter, instructions are given to the Federazione Italiana Consorzi Agrari, so that the a/m balance of Tons 10.314 of dried pulses (to settle completely the a/m debt of Tons 388.) be given to the British Army (I4 CRASC, Casoria).

The High Commissary

See 709  
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Translation (2)

From <sup>M</sup> ~~H. of W.~~ High Commissioner for Food  
 To Dir. Gen. Comm. and Admin. Services  
 for info M.M.I.A.

ANR/I/1374

Ref. ~~XXXXXXI~~

Date 9/5/46.

Subject Dried Vegetables.

Reference letter 7582/S/I dated 28/4/46.

With reference to the a/m letter, in which information was asked as to the quantities of dried vegetables, available for the allocation to this department to cover the requirement for the month of June, estimated at 4.085 Qts.

Further to that already communicated on the matter in letter ANR/I/1341 dated 30 March last, we would inform you that up to date no further quantities of dried vegetables have been put at the disposal of the Italian government as such by the Allied Authorities. Therefore this High Comm. is not in a position to give any assurance concerning the supply of the a/m product to your department for the next month of June.

Due to the same reason we are sorry we will not be able to adhere to the requested allocation of 370 Qts corresponding to the increased requirement for the months of April and May following the increase of 10,000 men on ration strength.

DAK

(XXX. XXXXXXXX)

17/5/46  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A P O 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 8255/EG

14 May 1946

*KRM/s/s*

SUBJECT: Food Supplies.

TO : —Land Forces S/C (MIA) —  
Navy S/C  
Air Forces S/C

Attached for your information is copy of HQ AC Signal  
No. 2990 dated 10 May 46.

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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

*L. W. Smith*  
*Brig R.A.*  
for Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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OUTGOING MESSAGE  
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

FROM: HQ ALCOM

10 MAY 1946

TO : (1) AGWAR FOR CCS FOR CLAC  
(2) WAROF (LONDON) FOR SLAO SECRETARIAT  
(3) AFHQ FHGEC

Ref.No. 2990

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This is MOC 559

Reference COM 425. Requirements of meat and fish for Italian Armed Forces for first three months of 1946 were met from loans and surplus allied stocks. 2214 tons needed for April, May, June. April and May requirements have been loaned by Allied Armed Forces but must be repaid as no further surplus stocks are available. Requirement for second six months is 5416 tons. This figure includes provision for increase of 10,000 men in Italian Army/Carabinieri figure. Strength of forces now as follows: Army/Carabinieri 215,000, Navy 58,000, Air Force 31,000. Figure quoted of 3650 tons in COM 425 is incorrect. Sugar requirements were not given in MOC air - gram 149 AS Italian Government were proposing to meet this demand from UNRRA imported stocks as they did not realize that this was not allowed under UNRRA charter. Requirements from October onwards will be met from local resources but 1,027 tons required for July, August, September.

Copy to: Economic Section  
Precedence: Routine  
Office of origin: Economic Section  
Tel.No. 550  
Originator's signature: Colonel Charles W. Walton

DistributionACTION DIRECTION- ECON SECTION 12  
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Monthly Activity Report, April 1946.  
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Food supplies for the Interim Army have been provided regularly by the High Commissioner for Food of the Italian Government. Monthly allocations have been made by the Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari to the Ministry of War.

No supplies (foodstuffs) have been declared available from the Allied Surplus Disposal Agencies.

A conference was held at HQ MMIA on 8 April with representatives of ALCOM and the Italian Government to expedite repayment of foodstuffs, previously loaned to the Italian Army, to Allied Supply Depots. It was agreed that all repayments would be made by the end of April 1946.

It has become increasingly apparent that the Italian Government has become fully cognizant of its responsibilities for provisioning the Interim Army, and not to depend upon Allied Military assistance.

The preparations for provisioning of the Italian Navy and Air Force by the Italian Government, w.e.f. 1 June 46 are well under way and no difficulties are anticipated. This is important to note in view of the reluctance and slowness with which the Italian Government assumed responsibility for the Army at the time of the handover.

See 695

KRN  
K. ROBERT NELSON,  
Major, CAC,  
Q/Rations.

KRN/sl.

Tel. 478420

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE BRANCH

43-4/FA

3 May 1946

SUBJECT: - Supplies for the Italian Airforce and Navy for May.

TO : - Land Forces Sub-Commission. Attn: Major Nelson.

1. Herewith for your information copies of translations of letters Ref. GAR/III/11036 dated 23rd April and Ref. GAR/III/10939 dated 23 April.

*V. R. A. Cowper, mj.*

V. R. A. COWPER.  
Lt. Colonel.  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

*see 688*

*P/AC's*

*11/5/46  
ROR*

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Rome, 23 April 1946

REF : PRCT. GAR/III/10939  
 FROM : THE HIGH COMMISSARIAT FOR FOOD  
 TO : A.C. FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH  
 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
 AFO 394 - Rome.

SUBJ. : Supplies for the Italian Airforce for the month of May.

1) With reference to letter 43-4PA of the 3rd instant which requested the restitution of 4,587,49 qls. of wheat flour and 509,73 qls. of dried vegetables due to the British Armed Forces and allotted to the Italian Airforce we beg to inform you that:

2) In view of the e/m requests, we have carried out the following allotments in favour of the Units of the Italian Airforce to cover the requirements of May.

Commodities	Quantity Requested q.li	Allotment granted	q.li	
			Quantity	Assigned
Flour for bread	3.822,93	GAR/L/4036	4.084,61	261,68
" pasta	764,59	"	1.115,17	350,58
Dried vegetables	509,73	GAR/III/7077	100,18	509,73
Sugar				

3) The quantities of flour and sugar in excess will be considered as forming part of our allotments to cover the requirements of the month of June.

The General Direction for non rationed foodstuffs to which the present is forwarded for information is requested to allot 509,73 q.l.s of dried vegetables as follows:

to Naples 16,662 lbs equal to 75,58 q.l.s.  
 to Bari 95,714 " " 434,15 "

We beg the First Division to take due action concerning the quantity of flour to be held back on the allotments of the month of June.

to cover the requirements of May.

Commodities	Quantity Requested	q.li No.	Quantity granted	Quantity assigned
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" " pasta	764,59	" "	1,112,17	350,58
Dried vegetables	509,73			
Sugar		GAR/III/7077	100,18	509,73

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for THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
(Signature illegible)

*Rec 6786*

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RD - Action (2)  
Chief of Mission  
Br. for PA  
" " RS  
" " RD  
Spc. Ass. for Gov. Liaison  
T.T.M. SECTION  
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REF : PROT. GAR/III/11036  
 FROM : THE HIGH COMMISSARIAT FOR FOOD  
 TO : A.C. FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH  
 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
 APC 394 - ROME.  
 SUBJ. : Supplies to the Italian Navy.

Rome, 23 April 1946

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With reference to letter 43/4/IA of 3rd instant concerning the restitution of wheat flour, of dried vegetables and of meat or fish due to the British Armed Forces and allotted to the Italian Navy to cover the requirements of May, we beg to inform you that:

1) To satisfy the request formulated with letter 43-4/Food of 19/2 and 2/I/119 of 15/2 concerning the restitution of 480 qls. of dried vegetables to the British Army, we have issued instructions with our letter ANR/I/962/W/I of 1st. March for the allotment of 510 qls. of dried vegetables in favour of the Ministry of Marine to cover the requirements of March.

2) In view the request of restitution formulated with the letter 43-4/FA of 6th March we have carried out the following allotments in favour of the a/m Ministry to cover the requirements of April:

Commodities	Quantity requested qls	Allotment decided No.	Quantity qls assigned
Flour for bread	(3.579,06	GAR/I/4267	6.525.-
" pasta	(	" "	(11,60
Dried vegetables	986,58	ANR/I/1091/W/2	2.342,46
Meat (tinned)	(	ANR/III/1546	986,58
Preserved Fish	(1.479,84	" "	500,7
			577,86
			( 1,98

3) And finally your Food and Agriculture Branch, with letter 43-4/FA of the 3rd inst. requested the restitution due to the British Armed Forces to be allotted to the Italian Navy of the following commodities to cover the requirements of May:

Flour for bread 1.598.437 pounds equal to 7.250,380  
 " " pasta 319.687 " " 1.450,07 "

of 19/2 and Q/I/119 of 15/2 concerning the restitution of 480 qls. of dried vegetables to the British Army, we have issued instructions with our letter ANR/I/962/M/I of 1st. March for the allotment of 510 qls. of dried vegetables in favour of the Ministry of Marine to cover the requirements of March.

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Commodities	Quantity requested qls	Allotment decided No.	Quantity	qls assigned
Flour for bread	( 3.879,06	GAR/I/4267	5.525.-	-
" " pasta	(	" "	2.342,46	( 11,50
Dried vegetables	986,58	ANR/I/1091/M/2	986,58	-
Meat (tinned)	( 1.479,84	ANR/III/1546	900,4	( 1,96
Preserved Fish		" "	577,86	-

3) And finally your Food and Agriculture Branch, with letter 43-4/PA of the 3rd inst. requested the restitution due to the British Armed Forces to be allotted to the Italian Navy of the following commodities to cover the requirements of May:

Flour for bread	1.596.437	pounds equal to	7.250,39
" " pasta	319.687	" "	1.450,07
Dried vegetables	213.124	" "	965,71
Meat or preserved fish	79.029	" "	350,47

The General Direction for non rationed foodstuffs, as soon as it will receive from the Ministry of Marine the confirmation of the locality where they wish to receive supplies, is requested to take measures, bearing in mind the increase mentioned in para 2).

The First Division, as it has already been said for the General Direction ANR, is begged to provide to the allotments as in para 3) bearing in mind the increase as in para 2).

We beg the Ministry of Marine to inform us, as soon as possible, of the locality where it intends to receive the a/m allotments.

FOR THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

SUBJECT:- Deficiencies in Releases.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.  
(M.M.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
ST/228


10 B.L.U.

6 May 46.

Reference your 1 ST of 29 April 1946.

1. Your attention is invited to a copy of this HQ letter ST/228 dated 23 Aug 45, copy with enclosures attached.
2. The policy of this HQ is quite explicit, and no deficiencies will be accepted by Allied Depots where the original container has not been damaged.
3. This is an old question which has been settled. It has been our experience that no reports have been made when the quantity is in excess of the amount indicated on the container.

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Lt. Col. RASC.  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (BMIA).

INTERNAL:- Q (A/os) ←

Tel. 478/20

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 754  
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE BRANCH

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2 May 1946

KRN 615

SUBJECT: - Dried Vegetables.

TO : - Alto Commissariato dell' Alimentazione, Rome

1. Refer to your letter AIR/1/995 dated 7 March.  
2. The following are the answers to your questions raised in paragraph 6.

a. The 5 tons delivered by you to the Italian Navy in excess of instructions should be deducted from your commitments to the Navy after you take over full responsibility for feeding the Italian Navy; i.e., after the 1 June.

b. The balance of dried vegetables owed by you to the British Army is now 10,314 tons, refer to: letter from HQ AC Economic Section to you Ref. IS/7.08 dated 9 April and letter from Land Forces Sub-Commission to HQ AC Economic Section copy to you Ref. Q-1/135 dated 30 April.

3. This sum of 10,314 tons should be delivered by you to British Army (14 C, RASC, Casoria).

*K. J. Luman, my*

V. E. A. GOMPER,  
Lt. Colonel,  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

Copies to: HQ AC Economic Section.

HQ AC Land Forces Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH

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Ref. 43-4/FA

29 April 1946

SUBJECT : Feeding of the Italian Armed Forces

KRN/15

TO : G-5 AFHQ

Reference I-1 dated 24 April 1946.

1. The Minister of Agriculture and Forests is the official charged with the responsibility of provisioning the Italian Armed Forces and it would appear from his letter that he is fully alive to his responsibilities and that necessary action has been taken by him and his Committee to ensure the future maintenance of the Army, Carabinieri, Air Force and Navy.

V. R. A. Cowper.

V.R.A. COWPER  
Lt. Colonel  
Director, Food & Agriculture Branch

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3/5/46  
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Copy to : M.M.I.A.  
Air Force Sub-Commission  
Navy Sub-Commission

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FROM : IO B.L.U.

TO : M.M.I.A.

29 Apr 46

REF : 1 ST

SUBJECT : Deficiencies in releases - flour

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SUBJECT : Subsistence Loans to the Italian Army  
from Allied Military sources.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
2/1-135 ✓  
30 April 1946

TO : Economic Section, Allied Commission.

1. In continuation of our letters Q/1-127 of 8 April 46 and Q/1-133 of 25 April 46, your attention is invited to paras 4, 5 and 6 of our Q/1-134 of 30 April 46, copy attached.
2. It will be noted that 48,296 lbs flour should be released by the High Commissioner for Food to the Ministry of War in lieu of repayment to the British Army. Further, that 7,624 lbs dried vegetables should be released similarly to the Ministry of War.
3. The balance of dried vegetables (22,733 lbs net) should be repaid in kind by the High Commissioner for Food to the British Army (14 C, RASC, CASORIA).

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K. ROBERT NELSON, Major,  
for, Major-General,  
M. M. I. A.

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Coy to : DST, GHQ, CMF. (Your 64/ST6(b) of 26 April 46 refers).  
Food and Agriculture Branch, A.C.  
Finance Branch, A.C.

- 1. In continuation of our letters Q/1-127 of 8 April 46 and Q/1-133 of 25 April 46, your attention is invited to paras 4, 5 and 6 of our Q/1-134 of 30 April 46, copy attached.
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Coy to : DST, GHQ, CMF. (Your 64/ST6(b) of 26 April 46 refers).  
 Food and Agriculture Branch. A.C.  
 Finance Branch. A.C.  
 Ministry of War.  
 High Commissioner for Food, ROME.  
 Ministry of the Treasury.  
 Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari, ROME.

Internal:  
 ADST, M.M.I.A.



SUBJECT: Recovery of Foodstuffs - Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. L. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/1-134  
30 April 1946

TO : Ministry of War

Reference our letter Q/1-131 of 16 April 1946.

1. Authority has been received for the release from British Depots of foodstuffs referred to in Appendix (A) to our above-mentioned letter.

2. The following commodities by quantities may be collected from 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) Casoria:

	lbs net
Flour	20,685
Prepared Meat	10,637
Cheese	3,677
Sugar	3,677
Coffee Beans	1,958
Tomato Paste	3,471
Pepper	12 1/2
Rice	944

3. Acceptance Notes, MIA Form ST/3, will be executed in the normal manner to cover all receipts.

4. 68,981 lbs flour was owed to you by the British Army (our letter Q/1-131 of 16 Apr 46 refers). 48,296 lbs flour remains due for repayment to the British Army by the High Commissioner for Food for previous loans made to the Italian Army. 20,685 lbs flour has been released by the British Army to you (para 2 above). You will arrange with the High Commissioner for Food for the release of the balance (48,296 lbs) as complete liquidation of the outstanding loans to the British Army and by the British Army to your Ministry.

5. In a similar manner, 7,624 lbs dried vegetables was owed to you by the British Army. The High Commissioner for Food owes the British Army 30,357 lbs dried vegetables. You will arrange with the High Commissioner for the release of 7,624 lbs dried vegetables as a part repayment by the High Commissioner for Food.

6. Accounting between the High Commissioner for Food and Your Ministry need not be referred to this HQ, for transactions referred in paras 4 and 5 above.

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2. The following commodities by quantities may be collected from  
14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) Casoria:

Flour	20,685	lbs net
Preserved Meat	10,687	" "
Cheese	3,677	" "
Sugar	3,677	" "
Coffee Beans	1,950	" "
Tomato Paste	3,471	" "
Pepper	122	" "
Rice	944	" "

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Internal:  
ADST, MIA

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*K. Robert Nelson*  
K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M.M.T.A.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS CMT

S.T. FRANCH

ST. *KRN 30/4*

SUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

64/ST6(b)

Tel: FREEDOM 217

26 April '46

A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission AC(MMIA) ROME

- 1. Reference attached copy of this Directorate letter 64/ST6(b) of 25 April addressed to H.Q. 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units).
- 2. These releases have been made as the result of your Q/1-131 of 16 April '46, but it will be noted that the following items have not apparently been covered:-

Flour	48,296 lbs
E/E/L	7,624 "

- 3. These quantities should be offset against the amounts outstanding to British a/c from MMIA and will leave balances as follows:-

Flour	Nil
E/E/L	22,733

*See 701*

*Wheeler*

Brigadier,  
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to:- 64/2/ST6(b)

*To Q A/c's*

ADST *Jan*  
DADST *B*  
SC *(Signature)*

& T. MMIA.  
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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS ONES.T. BRANCHSUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Armed ForcesMMIA Form  
5/73KPN 20/4  
64/2/ST6(b)Tel: BRSDOM21716 April '46H.Q. 14 C.R.A.S.O. (Supply Units)

1. The following supplies will be released to the Italian Army from your installation:-

Flour	20,685 lbs net
P. Meat	10,887 " "
Cheese Tnd	3,677 " "
Sugar	3,677 " "
Coffee Beans	1,958 " "
Tomato Paste	3,471 " "
Pepper	12 1/2 " "
Rice	944 " "

2. Please report completion of hand-over in due course.

*L. Shawman*  
Brigadier,  
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to:- A.D.S.T., Lead Forces Sub-Commission, AC(MMIA), ROME.  
(Ref MMIA letter V/1-131 of 16 April)

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KRN 27/4

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
G-5 Section  
APO 394

Ref: I-1

24 April 1946

SUBJECT: Feeding of the Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference your letter 8255/184/EG dated 20 April 1946.
2. The provisioning of supplies has been the subject of considerable correspondence between our respective Headquarters, especially in regard to 'Feeding of the Italian Navy' (see your TS/100/B/EG of 26 February 1946, AFHQ letter I-1 of 25 March 1946 and your letter 8255/176/EG dated 13 April 1946).
3. From the Minister of Agriculture and Forests' letter dated 12 April 1946, it would now appear that satisfactory arrangements have been planned for the purchasing of all foodstuffs for each branch of the Italian Forces, i.e., Army, Carabinieri, Air Force and Navy.
4. Will you please confirm?

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

*V. F. Tenley, Lt. Col.*  
A. L. HAMBLEN,  
Brigadier General, GSC,  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

See 704  
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Incl: Copy Minister of Agriculture & Forests' letter, as in para 3.

- Copies to: GAO, AFHQ w/o incl.  
DST, GHQ, CMF w/incl.  
G, GHQ, CMF, w/incl.  
Navy Sub-Commission, HQ, Allied Commission, APO 394 w/o incl.  
Land Forces Sub-Commission,  
HQ, Allied Commission, APO 394, w/o incl.  
Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
HQ, Allied Commission, APO 394, w/o incl.

Q/ACK 26/4/46

SUBJECT: Subsistence Loans to the Italian Army from  
Allied Military Sources.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/1-133  
25 April 1946

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TO : Economic Section, Allied Commission

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1. Further to our Q/1-127 of 8 April 46 and your covering letter, ES/7.08 of 9 April 46, addressed to the High Commissioner for Food, the following amendment is made to Appendix 'A' of our letter.

a. Under "FLOUR" loaned in February 46 and issued from "B.S.D (Ancona)" the amount should read "1,675,496 lbs" instead of "1,702,528 lbs".

b. Consequently, under "Remains due for repayment" 48,296 lbs in lieu of 75,328 lbs should be inserted.

*K. Robert Nelson*

K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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ADST, MMIA

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Air Forces Sub Commission A.C (2)  
Navy " " " (2)  
Food and Agriculture Branch A.C.  
Finance Branch, A.C.  
High Commissioner for Food, Rome  
Ministry of the Treasury  
Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari, Rome

Signal



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20 April 1946.

Ref: 0255/184/40.

Subject: Reading of the Italian Armed Forces.

To: G-5 Section, AFHQ.

The attached translation of a letter dated 12 April 1946 from the Minister of Agriculture and Forests, Italian Government, to Vice President, Economic Section is sent to you for information.

/s/ N.W. HIND-SMITH  
MAY

Brigadier,  
Acting Chief Commissioner.

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- General, AFHQ.
- Navy Sub-Commission, AG.
- Land Forces Sub-Commission (AG), AG.
- Air Forces Sub-Commission, AG.

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AFHQ 307

COMMISSIONER GENERAL AFFAIRS

COPY.

KRN 7/5/4

Translation.

The Minister of  
Agriculture and Forests.

Rome. 12 April 1946.

Dear Colonel,

With reference to your telephone call, I can give you full assurance on the regularity of the supply of foodstuffs to the Armed Forces.

The Food Bodies, following the decisions made at the last meeting of the Committee, have prepared a plan for purchasing the foodstuffs, and the plan has already been passed, for action, to the Sacerdoti mission.

In the meantime, supplies are drawn from stocks earmarked for the civilian population or authorising direct purchases on the free market. I have been assured that up to now no difficulties in the supply have arisen.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ Gaetano Gallo.

Office of the Executive Commission

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APO 394  
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE BRANCHQ.  
KRN 25/4

30-11/FA

18 April 1946

SUBJECT: - Replacement of flour owed PES.

TO : - HQ AC Land Forces Sub-Commission. Attn: Major Nelson.

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1. In continuation of our letter Ref. 30-11/FA dated 4 April the following additional shipments of flour have been made to PES, Tomolo:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>No. OF GARS.</u>	<u>No. OF SACKS</u>	<u>TONS.</u>
2 April	16	3830	173.720
3 "	10	3930	178.266
5 "	16	6431	291.712
Total			643.698

2. The above makes a total of 1862.716 tons repaid to PES and completes the shipments. There may however be a small outstanding balance, the size of which we are not aware because we have not been keeping books on these transactions.

V. R. A. COWPER.  
Lt. Colonel.  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

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SUBJECT : Repayment of Flour from Italian Government.

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LAND FORWARDS SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (H. M. I. A.) R O M E  
9/1-332  
15 April 1946

TO : Commanding Officer,  
Peninsular Base Section,  
APO. 792, U.S. Army.

FOR QUANTIFICATION 686

Further to our letter 9/1-332 of 30 March 1946, not to all.

1. Below is summary of shipments of flour by the High Commissioner for Food, Rome, to GI, PBI in repayment of loan made to the Italian Army in December 1945:

DATE.	NO. OF RAIL CARS.	NO. OF SACKS.	NET WEIGHT.
23 March 46	35	12,578	375,706
24 March 46	19	7,142	225,730
25 March 46	17	5,280	161,600
* 31 March 46	2	64	2,002
2 April 46	10	3,830	117,730
3 April 46	10	3,030	92,256
5 April 46	16	5,131	157,712
* Shipped to Base Depot 5150.		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1,022,736</u>

2. All flour has been consigned to PBI Depot 5152, Tashelo, except as noted above.

3. It is requested that you confirm receipt of flour indicated in para 1 above.

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L. ROBERT NELSON, Major,  
Brig. Major-General,  
H. M. I. A.

RM/c.

CCP : Col, REMUDA, APO 512, U.S. Army,  
Food and Agriculture Branch, ALGERIA,  
Ministry of War,  
High Commissioner for Food, Rome.

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AMT, H.M.I.A.

SUBJECT: Recovery of Foodstuffs - Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. R. I. A.) R D S E  
G/1-131  
16 April 1946  
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TO : AFHQ,  
for - G, GHQ, COMF,  
" - G-4, MTOUSA, APO 512, U.S. Army  
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1. In accordance with AFHQ letter, ref. AG 091.711 G(SD)-C, subject: "Handover of Italian Army to Italian Government" dated 2 Nov 45, National Service Units were to be provisioned from U.S. Army Depots (for US-ITI units) w.e.f. 1 Nov. 45 and British RASC Depots (for BR-ITI units) w.e.f. 15 Nov. 45.
2. Previous to the changeover for National Service Units, dates indicated para 1 above, all Italian Army units had been provisioned from Italian Army Food Distribution Depots for fifteen (15) day periods. At that time the periods were from 6th to the 20th and 21st to the 5th of each month.
  - a. From the above it is pointed out that some US-ITI Service Units had been provisioned until 5 Nov. 45, having drawn rations on 21 Oct 45 for fifteen (15) days. Likewise, BR-ITI Service Units had drawn rations on 6 Nov 45 for fifteen (15) days.
3. It developed in some cases that orders were not received in some areas until issues had been made or that arrangements to draw from an allied Depot had been delayed.
4. The Ministry of War has further checked to insure that units did not draw rations from the two sources for the same period.
5. The Ministry has requested the replenishment of stocks, by quantities, indicated in Appendix 'A'.
6. Data submitted by the Ministry of War to support quantities requested has been examined by the staff of this HQ.
7. It is requested that commodities be released at Leghorn (for U.S.) and Naples (for British).
8. Charge against the Italian Government will be arranged in the normal manner by this HQ.

*KRN*  
K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. R. I. A.

*see 707  
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COPY to: CG, PSS, APO 782, U.S. Army  
Ministry of War  
Internal: ARMY, WHIA

APPX. 'A'  
to ltr 3/1-131  
dat 16 Apr. 46

RECOVERY OF FOODSTUFFS - ITALIAN ARMY

<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>QUANTITY (net lbs)</u>	
	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>BRITISH</u>
FLOUR (for bread and paste)	1,335	68,981 ✓
PRESERVED MEAT AND/OR FISH	1,635	10,887
VEGETABLES, DRIED	856	7,624 ✓
CHEESE	428	3,677
SUGAR	428	3,677
COFFEE BEANS	267½	1,958
TOMATO PASTE OR CATSUP	214	3,471
PEPPER	2	12½
RICE		944

SUBJECT: Shortages of Foodstuffs released to the Italian Army.  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. N. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/1-130  
15 April 1946  
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TO : Commanding Officer,  
Peninsular Base Section,  
APO 782, U.S. Army  
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For - QUARTERMASTER

1. Confirming telephone conversation, Jones - Nelson,  
15 April 46, it is requested that commodities in amounts indi-  
cated below be released to the Italian Army Food Depot, Leghona.

2. Items requested follow:

<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>QUANTITY (net lbs)</u>
Bacon	2,242
Coffee, Soluble	67
Corned Beef	226
Chili Con Carne	618
Vienna Sausage	939
Hash, Meat and Vegetable	1,541
Luncheon Meat	22

3. It is confirmed that substitutes for commodities indi-  
cated above will be acceptable, weight for weight, if item is not  
available.

4. Shortages have been reported by the Italian Army upon  
verification of receipts.

5. Original release of foodstuffs was in PBS Distribution  
Directives I-7937 and I-7848-A.

6. It is requested that before release of commodities (para  
2 above) is made, contact be made with No. 7 M.L.U. (MMIA), Florence,  
telephone - Florence 1113, to arrange details.

See 723 725 KRW  
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K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. N. I. A.

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Copy to:  
- 7 BLU (Your BLU/ST/G 6 of 9 Apr refers)  
Ministry of War  
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## INTER-OFFICE MEMO

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.  
M.M.I.A. ROME699  
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File : ST/102


Date: 12 Apr 46

SUBJECT : Outstanding loans for repayment to  
British Forces.

TO : Q (A/cs)

699  
Reference your Q/1-127 of 8 April 1946, attached is copy of DSI  
GHQ letter 64/2/SP6(b) of 11 April for information and necessary action.

1. Will you please notify this branch when the balances due for  
repayment as shown in your above quoted letter have been agreed bearing  
in mind the amendment now necessary due to the receipt of the attached.

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acc  
Lt. Col. RASC.  
A.D.S.T.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS CMTS. T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Outstanding Loans for Repayment  
to British Forces.

64/2/ST6(b)Tel: FREEDOM 21711 April 1946

A.D.S.T.,  
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA).

Further to our 64/2/ST6(b) of 8 April 46, para 3.

1. It has now been reported by O.C. 38 B.S.D., R.A.S.C., ANCONA, that only 1,675,496 lbs of Flour were released to MMIA representative at ANCONA in Feb/March 1946, against 1,702,528 lbs previously allowed for as having been issued. The difference of 27,032 lbs has therefore been deducted from the previous amount outstanding, and which will now read:-

48,296 lbs

/s/ F.D.WELLS, Major  
for Brigadier,  
Director of Supplies and Transport.

SUBJECT : Subsistence Loans to the Italian Army  
From Allied Military Expenses

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LAND FORCES SUPPLY COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. E. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/L-189  
10 April 1946

To : Ministry of War (2)  
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Copies of our letter Q/L-187 dated 3 April 46 with endorsement  
by Economic Section, Allied Commission is forwarded for information and  
guidance.

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*KRN*

K. ROBERT NELSON, Major,  
Gen., Major-General,  
M. E. I. A.

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Copy to :

2. HQ, G.P.  
1. HQ, WFO, G.P.  
1. HQ, WFO, G.P.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

PRN 2/4

9 April 1946

Ref: ES/7.08

SUBJECT: Subsistence Loans to the Italian Army from Allied Military Sources.

TO : High Commissioner for Food, Rome

Forwarded for your information and guidance.

*Charles W. Walton*  
CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel AC  
Acting Vice President

Distribution:  
Air Forces Sub Commission, AC {4}  
Navy " " {2}  
Ministry of the Treasury  
Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari, Rome

Internal:  
Food and Agriculture Branch, AC  
Finance Branch, AC

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SUBJECT: Subsistence Loans to the Italian Army from  
Allied Military Sources.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. I. A.) R O M E  
O/1-127  
8 April 1946

TO : Economic Section, Allied Commission

1. The object of this communication is to clarify the whole position in regard to loans of subsistence made to the Italian Army from Allied Military Sources.

2. As it is known, on 15 November 45 the Italian Army was returned to the control of the Italian Government, and responsibility for procurement of subsistence became that of the Italian Government.

3. As an interim policy in order to assist the Italian Government while it was preparing provisioning action, the Allied Military made certain loans to the Italian Government for the Italian Army. In most cases these loans were subject to repayment in kind at a stated time. Request for these loans was initiated by MILA after the Food Sub Commission, Allied Commission confirmed that commodities requested on loan from Allied Military stocks could not be found in Italy. It was confirmed by the Food Sub-Commission, Allied Commission that loans made would be repaid in kind by the Italian Government by the stated time.

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7. The Italian Air Force and Navy will be provisioned by the British Army until 31 May 46. In order to conserve transportation and avoid double handling, certain items which were due to the British Army on the basis of previous loans to the Italian Army have been issued directly to the Italian Air Force and Navy, to be considered as a part repayment to the British Army. Commodities by amounts repaid to the British Army by issue to the Italian Air Force and Navy by the High Commissioner for Food are indicated in Appendix 'A'.

8. Concerning the accounting action remarks below made with reference to diverse transactions are in accordance with understandings reached in a meeting, ALCOM/Italian Government representatives this date:

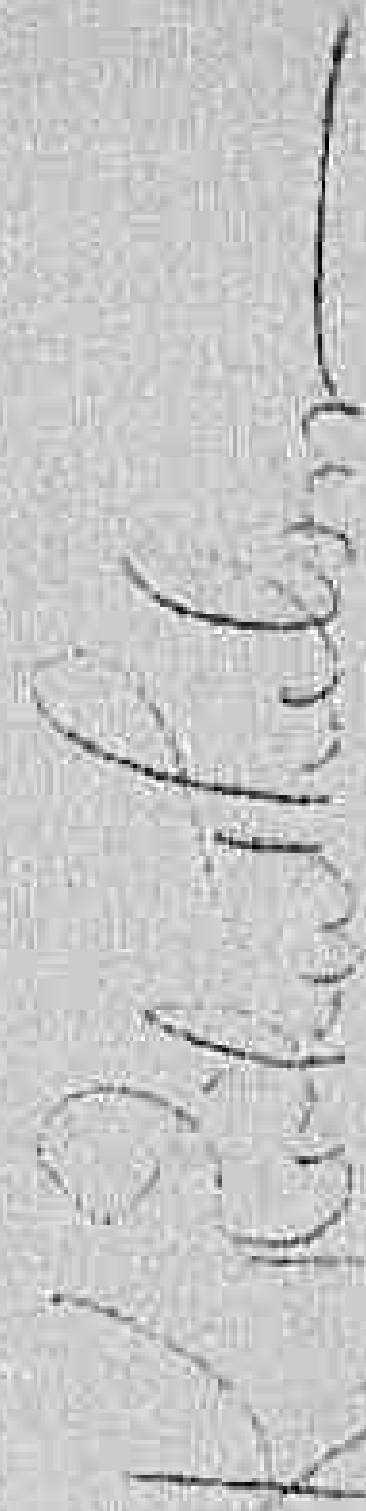
a. Items loaned in accordance with procedure, para 3 above, have been debited to the Italian Government (Ministry of War) through the Chief Accountant, Allied Supply Accounting Agency (Allied Commission). A special account has been maintained indicating foodstuffs to be repaid in kind.

b. Items released, as para 4 above, have been adjusted by monetary means as outlined in the same paragraph.

c. For flour being repaid to U.S., G.I., P.B.S., Leghorn (and home) by the High Commissioner for Food, para 5 above, the Ministry of War should be debited by the High Commissioner for Food on inter-ministerial accounting action. When complete repayment in kind has been effected, the temporary debit against the Ministry of War will be cancelled on our accounts.

d. For repayments made directly to the British Army by the High Commissioner for Food (para 6 above); i.e., ex ship "Laura Keane" and remains due for repayment, (See Appendix 'A'), the Ministry of War should be debited by the High Commissioner for Food on an inter-ministerial adjustment basis. The original debit made against the Ministry of War will be cancelled on our special accounts, following repayment in kind.

e. For repayments made, as in para 7 above, to the Italian Navy and Air Force, the Ministry of War should be debited by the High Commissioner for Food, as if repayment in kind were made similar to para 8d above. The Italian Air Force and Navy will be debited, by AMIA through the Allied Supply Accounting Agency, as if an issue directly from the British Army.



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for Major General  
M. W. I. A.

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for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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Internal:- ADST, MMIA

APPENDIX 'A'  
to letter 9/1-127 dated  
8 April 1946

STATEMENT OF LOANS TO ITALIAN ARMY FROM BRITISH  
ARMY AND SUBSEQUENT REPAYMENT IN RESPECT OF THESE LOANS

<u>T I O U R .</u>	<u>Receipts</u> lbs	<u>Total</u> lbs	<u>REPAYED</u>	<u>lbs</u>
Dec. 45	ex HESTIE 535,134 ex 22 CRASC (BARI) 2,400,096 ex 13 CRASC (ANCONA) 112,056	3,047,286	ex Ship "LAURA KEENE"	6,720,000
Jan. 46	ex 14 CRASC (NAPLES) 3,308,524 ex 22 CRASC (BARI) 3,314,877	6,623,401	NAVY & AIR FORCE April May	2,970,000 2,929,499
Feb	ex 14 CRASC (NAPLES) 1,052,800 ex 22 CRASC (BARI) 268,812 ex B.S.D. (ANCONA) 1,700,520	3,022,132		588,000
<i>Remains due for repayment</i>			12,619,499	
<i>deduced by 37,032</i>			<del>12,594,327</del> 12,667,795	12,594,327
	<u>Receipt</u> lbs	<u>Total</u> lbs	<u>REPAYED</u>	<u>lbs</u>
Dec. 45	ex 22 CRASC (BARI) 516,033 ex HESTIE 57,996	574,029	NAVY & AIR FORCE April May	495,000 79,029
		574,029		574,029
<u>P. B. L.</u>	<u>Receipt</u> lbs	<u>Total</u> lbs	<u>REPAYED</u>	<u>lbs</u>

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ex B.S.D. (ANCONA)	1,700,529		
	1,675,996		
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		→ 48296	12,619,499
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P. MEAT & FISH.				
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ex MEASURE	57,996		April	79,029
			May	
		574,029		574,029

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Jan. 46 ex 14 CRASC (MAPLES)	374,080	853,450	NAVI & AIR FORCE	167,593
ex 22 CRASC (BARI)	179,370		March	330,000
			April	325,500
			May	
		853,450		823,023
				30,357
		853,450		853,450

/s/

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FILE

Q/1-128  
Subject: Monthly Summary - March 46

9 April 1946

ACMG, MMIA

Food Supply - Italian Army

No unusually great difficulties have been encountered by the Ministry of War in provisioning for the Italian Army during the month of March 46.

The effect of the Chief Commissioner's representations to the Prime Minister during February has been felt and the High Commissioner for Food has released adequate stocks of restricted foodstuffs to the War Ministry.

Quantities of foodstuffs originally loaned to the Italian Army until the Italian Government could assume provisioning responsibility have been repaid to Allied Military Depots. Only small quantities are outstanding at present.

Requests have been made to Allied Surplus Disposal Agencies for the procurement of surplus foodstuffs; however, no stocks have been available.

The Prime Minister has advised on 30 March that the Head of the Italian Mission in Washington has intensified action to procure more foodstuffs from the United States, separate from UNRRA shipments, which are not available to the Italian Armed Forces.

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*Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri*

ALTO COMMISSARIATO DELL'ALIMENTAZIONE  
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HIGH COMMISSARIAT FOR FOOD

COPY FOR THE ALLIED ARMY SUB-COMMISSION

of the letter sent to the Italian Ministry of War

*D/ReA  
KRN 8/4*

Ref: ANR/I/1341

30th March 1946

SUBJECT - Dry vegetables

Reference is made to the note 5492/S/I dated the 21st March 1946 by which, considering that the replacement of 50.000 qts. dry vegetables to be made through the Compagnia Finanziaria Italo-Mediterranea was never carried out, the Ministry of War ask the quantity of dry vegetables necessary for the Army requirement be allotted monthly by this High Commissariat, as already being made.

On this subject it is pointed out that up to April 30th this High Commissariat was able to meet the monthly requirement of your Ministry by making considerable economy on the stocks made available by A.C. for the supplying of the special classes and categories entitled to. Moreover it is pointed out it will be possible that the requirement of the Ministry of War through May may be met with the last stocks of imported dry vegetables on hand.

Owing to the exhausted availabilities, it is notified that starting from 31st May 1946, the supplying in question will depend upon the quantities of d.vegetables put at the disposal of this High Commissariat by the Allied Commission.

on behalf of

L'ALTO COMMISSARIO  
(signed) De Marzi

*u/a/u/p  
RA*

Tel . 478420

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE BRANCH

30-11/FA

4 April 1946

SUBJECT: - Replacement of flour owed PBS.

TO : - HQ AC Land Forces Sub-Commission. Attn: Major Nelson.

1. We have been advised by the High Commissioner for Food that the following quantities of flour have been consigned from Civitavecchia to PBS , warehouse Q-5 -L-51 at Tombolo:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO. OF CARS</u>	<u>NO. OF SACKS</u>	<u>TONS</u>
March 23rd	35	12578	578,706
" 24th	19	7181	325,730
" 25th	17	6280	284,60
Total 71		Total 1,189,036	

2. The High Commissioner for Food has also dispatched cars of flour to PBS Rome as follows:

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March 31st	2	661	29.982

3. Above are partial repayment of the flour owed PBS. A balance of about 644 tons is still due and will be repaid within the time agreed upon.

see 703

*[Handwritten signature]*

V. R. A. COWPER,  
Lt. Colonel.  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

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Tel. 478420

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*K. J. L.*  
V. R. A. COMPER,  
Lt. Colonel,  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

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Rome, 30 March 1946

The President of the Council of Ministers

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Dear Sir,

I am very much concerned with the problems you and Brigadier Bick raised as to the supplying of the Italian Armed Forces, and the need for the Ministry of War to refund the loans received from the Allies, to secure the normal provisions for the Army.

These problems have been faced, and are now being studied by the Food Commission of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Reconstruction. We hope they will soon be solved in a satisfactory manner. In view of the scarcity of our national resources, however, it has been asked to intensify the nature of the mission he is heading in America, in order to obtain necessary help for Italy.

I will send you further information on the matter.

With my greetings,

/s/ De Gasperi

To General Henry S. Henshaw  
Chief Commissioner  
Allied Commission

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S. T. BRANCH

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Tel : FREEDOM 217

3 April 1946

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SUBJECT:- Repayment of Flour by A.C.

G.5., GHQ, CMB.

Reference telcon Lt.Col. Seeley/Major Wells of 2 April on the subject of flour discharged at Naples from the S.S. "LAURA KEANE" and which was accepted into RASC Depots as an offset against Midshift Meal/MMA etc Flour Debt by A.C. to British Military stocks.

1. The following details of discharge have been notified through RASC sources:-

- (a) Amount as per Ships Manifest 180,098 Sacks x 100
- (b) Amount checked at Ships side; and agreed by RASC RE 178,663 Sacks x 100
- (c) Amount despatched ex Docks by M.T. and Hail 178,536 Sacks x 100

It is presumed figures at Sub Para (c) will be agreed by A.C.

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/s/ ? ? ? ? Lt.Col.  
for Brigadier,  
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to:- A.D.S.T., MIA.

*Signature*  
Branch AC  
Copy to Food Sub-Commission  
for Maj Curran

SUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Army.

38 Base Supply Depot, RASC.  
Tel: ANCONA EXT: 43 44 & 45  
Ref. No:- SUP/10/22.

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1 April. '46.

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

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Ref your Q/1/-125 of 26 Mar '46.

1. Herewith vouchers 14/61-65 inclusive.
2. The delay in submission of these vouchers is regretted but no signature could be obtained from an Italian Officer until to-day.

Field.  
HT/LD.

*Poubet* Capt Major, RASC.  
Commanding 38 Base Supply Depot, RASC.

*see 681*

*3/11/46  
RSC*

Tel. 478420

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE BRANCH

43-4/TA

9 April 1946

SUBJECT: - Repayment of food stuffs owed to the British Army.

TO : - Alto Commissario dell' Alimentazione, Rome.

1. Refer our letter Ref. 43-4/TA dated 6 March concerning an agreement under which you agreed to undertake part repayment of food stuffs owed to the British Army by releasing supplies to the Italian Airforces and Navy for April maintenance.

2. It is now proposed that you make a further repayment through undertaking the delivery of supplies to the Italian Airforces and Navy for May maintenance as follows:

3. After the above repayments the Land Forces Sub-Commission, HQ AC states that the following quantities will remain due from you to the British Army:

Flour.....75923 lbs  
Dried Vegetables..... 30357 "

4. We are asking the above Sub-Commission to provide a statement showing how the above balances due are arrived at.

5. The above supplies should be made available by 10th of April.

6. Please confirm that the above supplies can be made available.

*V. R. A. Cowen*  
V. R. A. COWEN,  
Lt. Colonel,  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

Copies to: HQ AC Land Forces Sub-Commission. Attn: Major Nelson.

HQ AC Economic Section.

Copy to ADST MMIA

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	<u>FLOUR</u> Pounds	<u>PREPARED</u> <u>MAC/EGG</u> Pounds	<u>VEG. MIXED,</u> Pounds
Amount required by Italian Navy at Naples.....	813,750..... 162,750 *	79,029.....	108,500
Bari	704,637..... 156,837 *	.....	304,624
Amount required by Italian Air Force at Naples.....	121,968..... 24,793 *	.....	16,662
Bari.....	717,844..... 149,570 *	.....	95,714
Total required for May	2,929,499 .....	79,029.....	325,500

\* For Macaroni.

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TRANSLATION

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9A's

FROM : M. of W.  
TO : ~~MMMA~~ A.R.A.R.

REF: 6184/S/1  
DATE: 1/4/46

MMMA. /658  
(for info)  
(Ref.G/1/121 dated 28/2/46)

SUBJECT : Meat for R. Army- Requirement for December 1945.

Ref. to a/m letter, to which we reply, we ask you to let us know the price at which payment is to be carried out for the meat, separately per various types.

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see 658

Sgd. EGIDI  
for Minister

3/4/46  
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SUBJECT : Repayment of Flour from Italian Government.  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
 A.C. (N. M. I. A.) HOME  
 Q/1-126  
 30 March 1946.  
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TO : Commanding Officer,  
 Peninsular Base Section, APO 782 U.S. Army,  
 (for Quartermaster).  
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1. High Commissioner for Food has advised that two (2) rail cars flour have been railed from CIVITAVECCHIA, this date, consigned to PBS Depot, Q5R50, ROME.

2. Details of dispatch as follows:

<u>RAIL CAR NO.</u>	<u>QUANTITY (net).</u>	<u>NO. of UNITS.</u>
121267	14.515 Metric Tons	326 Sacks.
166214	15.467 " "	341 " "

3. Above consignment was made in accordance with telephone request, QM, PBS, as part repayment loan of flour from Italian Government to QM, PBS.

see 702  
 KRH/sl.

*KRN*  
 K. ROBERT NELSON, Major,  
 for, Major-General,  
 N. M. I. A.

Copy to ; Food and Agriculture Branch, E.R. A.C.  
 PBS Ration Point, Q5R50, Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
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ECONOMIC SECTION

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Ref: *ES/8.01x708*

30 March 1946

SUBJECT: Feeding of Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Brig. M. S. Lush - Executive Commissioner

1. It has been learned from MMIA, Colonel Kerr that AFHQ has taken cognizance of the notes verbale on the overriding priority of UNRRA versus Italian Government procurement for the Armed Forces. According to Col. Kerr AFHQ is to make representation to the COS opposing the arrangement.

2. After further discussion with the Service Sub-Commission it was unanimously agreed that representations to AFHQ at this time would serve no useful purpose.

3. It is therefore recommended that no further action be taken at this time on the notes verbale.

(Signed)

CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel, A. C.

Acting Vice President.

CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel AG

Acting Vice President

Copy to:

Land Forces S/C AC. ✓  
Navy S/C AC.  
Air Force S/C AC.

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GOC

We have seen this before. It is the result of the CES signal stating that the matter was referred to State Department and Foreign Office.

After our discussion with AFHQ yesterday, when the whole question of supply was thrashed out, and AFHQ agreed to signal CES to clarify the matter, I am convinced that another letter from AC to AFHQ on this subject, at this time, will only add mud to the water.

Recommend that no AC letter go to AFHQ now. It may be necessary later to bring up the antilenny.

*Agree with explanation personally*  
C.O.C.

(K)  
19 Mar.

I agree from the Q angle, with above.

WP  
WBAQ

19 Mar.  
Explained personally to Col Walter who is a little uneasy but will take no further action without consulting Col Kerr when he comes back on 20 Mar.  
20 Mar. WP

## HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 8255/EG.

18. March 1946.

SUBJECT: Feeding of the Italian Armed Forces.

TO : VP Economic Section.

1. I enclose copies of two almost identical notes verbale which were presented to Ministry of Foreign Affairs in January. No copy was sent to Allied Commission.

2. In view of the responsibility now assumed by the Italian Government in respect of the Italian Army and shortly to be assumed in respect of the other Armed Services, I would ask you to discuss the notes with representatives of the Service Sub-Commissions and draft a representation to AFHQ if you consider one necessary.

M. S. Lusk

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Land Forces S/C (MMIA) ✓  
Navy S/C  
Air Forces S/C

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18-3-46

S/R Adams

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RomeL.S.V. 6.2/12/46. CDCOPYROSA VERRALZ

His Majesty's Embassy present their compliments to the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs and have the honour, under instructions, to communicate the views of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on certain points related to the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces:

1. Italian military requirements should, as far as possible, be provided from indigenous Italian resources.
2. All imports, including tyres and tubes, should be purchased by the Italian Government through their own resources in accordance with existing arrangements for supplies outside the basic programme.
3. USRA supplies may not be used by the Italian Army.
4. Italian military requirements should be subordinate to USRA for the disposal of surplus property in Italy.
5. The maximum use should be made of Allied Army surpluses to meet the requirements of the Italian Army.
6. Requirements for Italy sponsored by USRA must have priority over requirements for the military forces.
7. Supplies in Category A of the civilian import programme should not be used for military purposes except where the Allied Commission believes it impracticable to establish a separate line of supply for specific items outside that programme.
8. No specific additional tonnages should be included in the Category A programme for Italian military requirements.
9. No assurance can be given as to the flow of military supplies.

8th January, 1946.

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8th January, 1946.

The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
Palazzo Chigi,  
ROME



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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, under instructions from the State Department at Washington, has the honor to communicate the views of the United States Government with regard to the following questions related to the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces:

- (A) Priority as between Italian Army and USRA in obtaining surplus property;
- (B) Priority as between Italian military requirements and civilian requirements in Italian import program;
- (C) Question of assurance to be given concerning furnishing of supplies in the civil import program;
- (D) Whether specific additional tonnage shall be included in civil import program for military purposes;
- (E) Whether tire and tube equipment can be supplied through civilian import program.

On these questions, the views of the United States Government are as follows:--

1. We agree that Italian military requirements should, in first instance, be taken from Italian indigenous resources, and secondly, from surplus United States and United Kingdom stocks in Italy.
2. USRA should have priority over Italian military requirements in the disposal of surplus property in Italy.
3. Items including tires and tube requirements which cannot be supplied locally or from surplus should be purchased by Italian Government through its available foreign resources. Italian Government should determine relative priority of military and civilian requirements in making its purchases.
4. USRA supplies cannot be used for military purposes.
5. Supplies in category A, civilian import program, should not (repeat not) be used for military purposes except where Allied Commission believes it impracticable to establish separate line of supply for specific items outside that program. No specific additional tonnages should be included in category A program for Italian military require-

- (B) Priority as between Italian military requirements and civilian requirements in Italian import program;
- (C) Question of assurances to be given concerning furnishing of supplies in the civil import program;
- (D) Whether specific additional tonnage shall be included in civil import program for military purposes;
- (E) Whether tire and tube equipment can be supplied through civilian import program.

On these questions, the views of the United States Government are as follows:-

1. We agree that Italian military requirements should, in first instance, be taken from Italian indigenous resources, and secondly, from surplus United States and United Kingdom stocks in Italy.
2. UNRRA should have priority over Italian military requirements in the disposal of surplus property in Italy.
3. Items including tires and tube requirements which cannot be supplied locally or from surplus should be purchased by Italian Government through its available foreign resources. Italian Government should determine relative priority of military and civilian requirements in making its purchases.
4. UNRRA supplies cannot be used for military purposes.
5. Supplies in category A, civilian import program, should not (repeat not) be used for military purposes except where Allied Commission believes it impracticable to establish separate line of supply for specific items outside that program. No specific additional tonnages should be included in category A program for Italian military requirements.

ROME, January 4, 1946.  
CAL:da.

To the  
Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
Rome.

SUBJECT: Handover of the ITALIAN Army to the ITALIAN Government

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

G/7

26 Mar 46

To : See Dist. below

Ref MMIA Directive No 1 (G/7 dated 8 Nov 45) subject: Handover of the ITALIAN Army to the ITALIAN Government, and MMIA letter G/7 of 8 Mar 46.

Para III 7(c) will be amended as follows:

Delete : Administration Total 31,000

and

Insert : Administration Total 28,000

Major General  
M M I A

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DISTRIBUTION

Ministry of War  
Chief Commissioner A.C.  
Executive Commissioner A.C. (2) one for Prime Minister  
Navy Sub Commission  
Air Forces Sub Commission  
HQ 2 District (5)  
List 'B'

INTERNAL

Dep Comd  
BGS  
Col A/Q  
G (five)  
A (four)  
Q (five) ✓  
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ST (three)  
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REME  
War Diary (two)  
File: G/3/1  
Spare (twenty)

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SUBJECT: Handover of the ITALIAN Army to the ITALIAN Government

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

6/7

28 Mar 46

TO : See Distn below

Ref MMIA Directive No 1 (G/7 dated 8 Nov 45) subject: Handover of the ITALIAN Army to the ITALIAN Government.

Para III 7 will be amended as follows:

1. Delete existing sub-paras (a) and (b) with all detail,

and

Substitute:

(a) Local and Mobile Reserves (Combat Tps)

Three Internal Security Divs, two in SICILY and one in SARDINIA

Eleven Inf Regts and three ALPINE Regts, one for each Territorial Region on the mainland

Five Inf Divs

90,500

2. Renumber subsequent sub-paras (b), (c), (d) for (c), (d), (e) as at present.

*Agreement by Major General G. M. I. A.*

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DISTRIBUTION:

- Ministry of War
- Chief Commissioner A.C.
- Executive Commissioner A.C. (2) one for Prime Minister.
- Navy Sub Commission A.C.
- Air Forces Sub Commission A.C.
- Hq 2 District (5)

INTERNAL:

- Dep Comd
- EGS
- Col A/Q
- G (five)
- L (four)
- Q (Five)
- RE

Delete existing sub-paraes (a) and (b) with all detail, and

Substitute:

(a) Local and Mobile Reserves (Combat Tps)  
Three Internal Security Divs, two in SICILY and one in SARDINIA  
Seven Inf Regts and three ALPINE Regts, one for each Territorial Region on the mainland

90,500

Five Inf Divs

2. Renumber subsequent sub-paraes (b), (c), (d) for (c), (d), (e) as at present.

*for Major General G2*  
*M H I A*

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DISTRIBUTION:

- Ministry of War
- Chief Commissioner A.C.
- Executive Commissioner A.C. (2) one for Prime Minister.
- Navy Sub Commission A.C.
- Air Forces Sub Commission A.C.
- HQ 2 District (5)

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INTERNAL:

- Dep Comd
- DGS
- Col A/Q
- G (five)
- A (four)
- Q (Five)
- RE
- SIGS
- ST (three)
- Med
- REME
- War Diary (two)
- File: C/3/1
- Spare (twenty)

**SUBJECT: Issues - Flour and Atta - to Italian Army**

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O H H  
Q/1-325  
26 March 1946

**TO : O.G. 38 BSD, RASC, CMF**

1. Receipt acknowledged of consolidated list of issues of flour and atta to Italian Army forwarded under your SUP/10/18 of 22 Mar 46.

2. In reconciliation of issues with vouchers in our possession it has been discovered that the following vouchers have not been received :

<u>Date</u>	<u>Wagon/Vehicle No.</u>	<u>I.V. No.</u>	<u>Flour (lbs)</u>
14/3/46	4715767	14/61	1320
"	5605235	14/62	5000
"	5653484	14/63	5000
"	5652447	14/64	5000
"	5227571	14/65	5000

3. Request that copies of above-mentioned vouchers be forwarded to this HQ.

4. Your consolidated list has been most helpful.

*KRN*  
K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

KRE/mp

*See 660  
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SUBJECT:- Issues-Flour and Atta.

38 Base Supply Depot, RASC. 650  
Tel: ANCONA EXT: 43 44 & 45.  
Ref. No:- SUP/10/18

H.Q. M.M.I.A. ROMA. ✓

22 March '46.

25 MAR 1946

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3371

Attached list giving details of Flour and Atta issued to you by this depot during period 13 Feb to 14 Mar. incl is forwarded for your information.

Field,  
HT/LD.

*for @ apu  
rebbi*

*Indietro Cap*

Major, RASC.  
Commanding 38 Base Supply Depot, RASC.

*KRN 2/3*

ISSUES TO M.M.I.A. PERIOD 13 FEB '46 TO 14 MAR, '46.

DATE	WAGON OR VEHICLE NO.	IV, NO.	ATTA,	FLOUR.
13.3.46.	17798	13/70 X	15,300	
	1048R	13/71 X	17,340	
	404185	13/72 X	11,900	
	017798	13/73 X	3,145	27,460
	5371005	13/74 X	21,420	
	406123	13/75 X	5,950	
	1331968	13/76 X	8,500	
	5371005	13/77 X	16,745	
	5225507	13/78 X	7,650	
	406105	13/79 X	30,260	
	4723855	13/80 X	6,800	
	5429588	13/81 X	6,715	
	5671684	13/82 X	15,130	
	0899	14/35 X	15,300	
	5671719	14/36 X	15,300	
14.2.46.	0895	14/37 X	14,025	
	5670899	14/38 X	25,200	
	1958	14/39 X	18,615	
	017798	14/40 X	22,525	
	0885	14/41 X		8,694
	406105	14/42 X		22,400
	406185	14/43 X		27,600
	5671967	14/44 X		10,000
	5671719	14/45 X		20,000
	1332397	14/46 X		8,300
	5312194	14/47 X		5,500
	5671967	14/48 X		5,500
	5671547	14/49 X		19,320
	5312194	16/26 X		17,800
	51177211	16/27 X		6,900
16.2.46.	4523940	16/28 X	6,900	6,900
	1332397	16/29 X	6,900	6,900
	5175671	16/30 X	6,900	6,900
	5225428	16/31 X	6,900	6,900
	5600900	16/32 X	13,800	13,800
	1326214	16/33 X	6,900	6,900
	5175980	16/34 X	6,900	6,900
	4629554	16/35 X	6,900	6,900
	5671821	16/36 X	18,630	18,630
	1998	16/37 X	22,080	22,080
	5672000	16/38 X	18,630	18,630
	406123RE	16/39 X	5,520	5,520
	406105	16/40 X	16,560	16,560
	5671821	16/41 X	18,000	18,000
	5672000	16/42 X	16,700	16,700
406185	16/43 X	10,600	10,600	
567198	16/44 X	20,000	20,000	
406105	16/45 X	24,000	24,000	
5225459	16/46 X	5,500	5,500	
406123	16/47 X	6,000	6,000	



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DATE	WAGON OR VEHICLE NO.	IV. NO.	AMTA.	FLOUR.
Total Brought Forward			351.660	481.594
18.2.46.	6678	18/85 x		15.594
	1526	18/86 x	3.500	7.866
	406105	18/87 x		5.520
	406123	18/88 x		20.700
	567221 34	18/89 x		7.728
	54444	18/90 x		7.728
	6520	18/91 x		8.280
	4731091	18/92 x		14.904
	5670818	18/93 x		16.974
	1528	18/94 x		20.000
	5671967	18/95 x		17.300
	5671721	18/96 x		20.000
	5670903	18/97 x		6.000
	1308463	18/98 x		31.052
	406105	18/99 x		20.000
	5671865	18/100 x		20.700
	5672134	18/101 x		20.000
	5670903	18/102 x		20.000
	5670895	18/103 x		6.000
	406123	18/104 x		7.000
	5172383	18/105 x		7.452
	4723264	18/106 x		17.526
	5670903	19/64 x		17.526
	2671525	19/65 x		5.520
	406123	19/66 x		19.458
	5672000	19/67 x		5.520
	406123	19/68 x		27.600
	406105	19/69 x		30.360
	017798-11048	19/70 x		5.520
	406123	20/126 x		27.600
	406105	20/127 x		34.500
	017798	20/128 x		5.520
	4818059	21/58 x		5.520
	5687662	21/59 x		5.520
	5691682	21/60 x		5.520
	5318318	21/61 x		5.520
	5691506	21/62 x		5.520
	239183	21/63 x		5.520
	5687908	21/64 x		5.520
	5616381	21/65 x		5.520
	5605572	21/66 x		5.520
	5691135	21/67 x		5.520
	1883959-7170560	21/68 x		5.520
	5652388-"	21/69 x		5.520
	5671967-200475	21/70 x		8.280
	5672134-"	21/71 x		17.940
	406106	22/106 x		17.940
	406185	22/107 x		
	406105	22/108 x		
	406123	22/109 x		
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			32.300	
			5.520	

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5670903	18/97	X	6,000
1308463	18/98	X	31,052
406105	18/99	X	20,000
5671865	18/100	X	20,700
5672134	18/101	X	20,000
5670903	18/102	X	20,000
5670895	18/103	X	6,000
406123	18/104	X	7,000
5172383	18/105	X	7,452
4723264	18/106	X	17,526
5670903	19/64	X	17,526
2671525	19/65	X	5,520
406123	19/66	X	19,458
5672000	19/67	X	5,520
406123	19/68	X	27,600
406105	19/69	X	30,360
017798-11048	19/70	X	5,520
406123	20/126	X	27,600
406105	20/127	X	34,500
017798	20/128	X	5,520
4818059	21/58	X	5,520
5687662	21/59	X	5,520
5691682	21/60	X	5,520
5318318	21/61	X	5,520
5691506	21/62	X	5,520
239183	21/63	X	5,520
5687908	21/64	X	5,520
5616381	21/65	X	5,520
5605572	21/66	X	5,520
5691135	21/67	X	5,520
1883959-7170560	21/68	X	5,520
5652388- <sup>a</sup>	21/69	X	8,280
5671967-200475	21/70	X	17,940
5672134- <sup>a</sup>	21/71	X	17,940
406106	22/106	X	31,025
406185	22/107	X	9,660
406105	22/108	X	32,300
406123	22/109	X	5,520
406123	22/110	X	5,100
406185	22/111	X	8,500
5671918	25/140	X	18,630
5678103	25/141	X	18,630
5671661	25/142	X	18,630
5671967	25/143	X	18,630
5653953	26/60	X	6,744
406185	26/61	X	10,000
4948905	26/62	X	5,000
406105	26/63	X	27,600
406105	26/64	X	27,600
5616520	26/65	X	6,900
406130	26/66	X	6,900
5652089	26/67	X	6,900
5652816	26/68	X	6,900
5225429	26/69	X	6,900

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DATE	WAGON OR VEHICLE NO.	IV. NO.	ATTA.	FLOUR.
Total Brought Forward.			521.785	1,183.102
26.2.46	5652447	26/70 X		6.900
	5616835	26/71 X		6.900
	5689588	26/72 X		6.900
27.2.46	406105	27/146 X		15.000
	406130	27/147 X		6.900
	5318318	27/148 X		6.210
	5691135	27/149 X		6.210
	5691506	27/150 X		6.210
	406123	27/151 X		6.210
	5687983	27/152 X		6.210
	5687908	27/153 X		6.210
	406123	27/154 X		6.210
	406185	27/155 X		23.500
	569496	27/156 X		6.000
	5691073	27/157 X		6.000
	5687662	27/158 X		6.000
	5691090	27/159 X		6.000
	5691682	27/160 X		6.000
	406105	27/161 X		24.800
28.2.46	5654235	28/33 X		6.174
	5652450	28/34 X		7.100
	5652894	28/35 X		7.000
	5373872	28/36 X		7.000
	5653484	28/37 X		6.900
	5689588	28/38 X		6.900
	5652089	28/39 X		6.900
	5650040	28/40 X		6.900
	5652414	28/41 X		7.000
	5272571	28/42 X		5.000
	5677208	28/43 X		6.000
	1329717	28/44 X		6.000
	4631172	28/45 X		6.000
	5653953	28/46 X		6.000
	4949275	28/47 X		6.000
	4714689	28/48 X		6.000
	4619792	28/49 X		6.000
	1331151	28/50 X		6.000
	5175353	28/51 X		6.000
	5652709	28/52 X		6.000
	5691422	28/53 X		6.000
	5689520	28/54 X		6.000
	5652414	28/55 X		6.000
	5312194	28/56 X		6.000
	5652894	28/57 X		6.000
	5652450	28/58 X		6.000
	5652089	28/59 X		6.000
	5620768	28/60 X		6.000
	5373872	28/61 X		6.000
	5654235	28/62 X		6.000
	5689588	28/63 X		6.000
	5650040	28/64 X		6.000
	5689972	28/65 X		6.000
	53481	28/66 X		6.000

406105	X	27/155	6,000
562496	X	27/156	6,000
5691073	X	27/157	6,000
5687662	X	27/158	6,000
5691090	X	27/159	6,000
5691682	X	27/160	6,000
406105	X	27/161	24,800
5654235	X	28/33	6,174
5652450	X	28/34	7,100
5652894	X	28/35	7,000
5373872	X	28/36	7,000
5653484	X	28/37	6,900
5689588	X	28/38	6,900
5652089	X	28/39	6,900
5650040	X	28/40	6,900
5652414	X	28/41	7,000
5272571	X	28/42	5,000
5677208	X	28/43	6,000
1329717	X	28/44	6,000
4631172	X	28/45	6,000
5653953	X	28/46	6,000
4949275	X	28/47	6,000
4714689	X	28/48	6,000
4619792	X	28/49	6,000
1331151	X	28/50	6,000
5175353	X	28/51	6,000
5652709	X	28/52	6,000
5691422	X	28/53	6,000
5689520	X	28/54	6,000
5652414	X	28/55	6,000
5312194	X	28/56	6,000
5652894	X	28/57	6,000
5652450	X	28/58	6,000
5652089	X	28/59	6,000
5620768	X	28/60	6,000
5373872	X	28/61	6,000
5654235	X	28/62	6,000
5689588	X	28/63	6,000
5650040	X	28/64	6,000
5689972	X	28/65	6,000
53484	X	28/66	6,000
5620793	X	28/67	6,000
5616835	X	28/68	6,200
5652816	X	28/69	6,210
406123	X	1/93	6,000
5430630	X	1/94	6,900
1331151	X	1/95	6,900
4713746	X	1/96	6,320
5177211	X	2/30	6,900
5652989	X	2/31	6,900
5652450	X	2/32	6,900
5604876	X	2/33	6,900

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Total Carry Forward,

521,785 1,630,476

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17,820  
21,928  
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DATE	WAGON OR VEHICLE NO.	IV. NO.	ATTA.	FLOUR.
Total Brought Forward.			521.785	1.630.476
2.3.46.	5312194	2/34 ✓		6.900 ✓
	4971827	2/35 ✓		6.900 ✓
	4949275	2/36 ✓		6.900 ✓
14.3.46.	4715767	14/61		4.320
	5605235	14/62		5.000
	5653484	14/63		5.000
	5652147	14/64		5.000
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
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FOOD AND AGRICULTURE BRANCH

*Handwritten:* J/A  
KRN 25/3

43-4/FA

22 March 1946

SUBJECT: - repayment of loan of 1869.6 metric tons of flour to U.S. QM, PFS-Leghorn  
TO : - Alto Commissariato dell' Alimentazione, Rome.

1. Refer conversation Mr. Mastrosarino - Mr. Jovine - Major Curran.
2. It was agreed that the Italian Government would repay in white flour 1869.6 tons owed to U.S. QM, PFS, Leghorn. Repayment is to be made as follows:

by 25th March.....	600 tons
" 5 April.....	600 "
" 15 April.....	669.6 "
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Total	1869.6 tons

3. Flour shipped from Civitavecchia should be consigned to PFS warehouse NO. 5L51, TOMBOLO (near Livorno).
4. Kindly submit a report to this office on the completion of each 600 tons instalment.

*Handwritten signature:* K. J. Curran, Major

V. R. A. COSPER,  
Lt. Colonel,  
Director FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

Copy to: M M I A , Attn: Major Nelson.

*Handwritten:* 25-3-46

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 8255/163/EC.

20 March 1946.

SUBJECT: Rations for the Italian Army.

*D. Ac's KRN-2/3*

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.)

*662*

Reference your Q/1-122 dated 1 March 46.

This matter was referred to Economic Section, and forwarded herewith is copy of their reply 43-4/FA dated 18 March 46.

*F. W. Hand-Smith*  
*by R. A.*  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To the Executive Commissioner.

*see 662*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

VRAC/lg

18 March 1946

Ref: 43-4/FA

SUBJECT: Rations for the Italian Army.

TO : Executive Commissioner *1062*

Reference Q/1-122 dated 1 March 1946 from Land Forces Sub-Commission.

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/s/ Charles W. Walton  
CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel, A.C.  
Acting Vice President

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APO 394  
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18 March 1946

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/s/ Charles W. Walton  
CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel, A.C.  
Acting Vice President

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HEAD-QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Navy Sub Commission AMG 394

*Re Act*  
230/4750  
18th March, 1946

*KRN mb*

From : Navy Sub Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.  
To : The Food and Agriculture Branch, Hq., Allied Commission,  
(Copy to :- Land Forces Sub Commission.)

subject : Maintenance to Italian Armed Forces.

With reference to your letter No. 43-4/PA dated 16th March, 1946, attached are the estimated food requirements of the Italian Royal Navy for the period June 1st to December 31st 1946, plus 10% for wastage and a two months reserve which are shown separately.

2. These requirements are based on the present Italian strength of 50,000 at the Armed Forces ration scale as issued by the British Army Food Depots which excludes olive oil, wine, salt, nuts, fresh fruit and vegetables, which are obtained from local resources.

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*see*

G. P. MENTZ,  
CAPTAIN, U. S. N.,  
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,  
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

*21.3.46  
RR*

GRADE	COMMODITY	QUANTITY RECEIVED FOR PERIOD FROM 1st JUNE - 31st Dec 1946.	PLAS 106 TOLERANCE	2. NEWBIES RESERVE	SERIAL
		lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
15 ozs.	FLOUR	11,676,250	1,163,685	3,371,250	16,171,125
3 ozs.	W/ALIX/FLOUR	2,327,250	232,725	674,250	3,234,225
3 ozs.	MANGGI OR FLOUR IN LBS	2,327,250	232,725	674,250	3,234,225
2 ozs.	W/ALIX	1,549,500	154,950	449,500	2,193,950
1 oz.	RUBS OR FLOUR IN LBS	775,750	77,575	224,750	1,078,075
6/7 oz.	CEREALS	664,926	66,492.6	192,042	824,060.6
1 oz.	SUGAR	775,750	77,575	224,750	1,078,075
1/2 oz.	GRAPE	387,870	38,787	112,374	538,931
1/2 oz.	ROASTED PEAS	387,870	38,787	112,374	538,931
1/200 oz.	WATER	3,876	387.6	1,122	5,385.6

File 676

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. E. I. A.) ROME  
O/I-124  
18 March 1946

TO : Food & Agriculture Branch  
Economic Section  
HQ Allied Commission

Reference your letter 43-4/PA of 16 March 46.

1. Details of requirements for Italian Army have been given to your Branch (Maj. CURRAN) on 16 March 46.

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F. ROBERT WILSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. E. I. A.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH

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KRN 18/3

Tel. 584

Ref. 43-4/FA

16 March 1946

SUBJECT : Maintenance to Italian Armed Forces

TO : Navy Sub-Commission (Attn: Lt. Hall)  
Air Force S/C (Attn: Wing Commd. Walker)  
Land Force S/C (Attn: Maj. Nelson)

1. Confirming conversation of to-day's date, may the total requirements of the Italian Armed Forces until the end of this year be submitted to this office as soon as possible.
2. The requirements of the Italian Army should be submitted as from this date and for the Navy and Air Force as from June 1st.
3. It is suggested that in addition to the total requirements 10% should be added for wastage plus a two months reserve.

*V.R.A. Cowper*  
V.R.A. COWPER  
Lt. Colonel

Director, Food & Agriculture Branch

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Translation

From Min. of Agriculture and Forests.

To Min. of War.

for info M.M.I.A.

Ref. ANR/I/II32/G/3

Date 12/3/46.

Q/1 674  
XXXXXXXXXXXX  
Q/AC's KRNI 12/3

Subject Supply of 390 Tons of Impoted Dried Vegetables.

Further to the agreements reached with your Administration (Col. Fisicaro), this High Commissariat orders on behalf of your department the allocation of 390 (Threehundred and ninety) tons of allied supplied dried vegetables, required for ration supplies during the month of April 1946 for Italian Army units.

The aforesaid quantity will be put at the disposal of your ministry by the Italian Federation of the Agricultural Boards on the availability of the product held by this High Comm. in the following stores belonging to the Federation, who have been issued the necessary instructions on the matter in a separate letter:

- Naples	Store	120 tons
- Genoa	"	50 "
- Venice	"	100 "
- Leghorn	"	70 "
- Ancona	"	50 "
	Total	390 Tons.
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Your department is asked to reach direct agreement with the Federation for the withdrawal procedure and payment of the goods.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH

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Ref. : 43-4/FA

14 March 1946

SUBJECT : Loan of Foodstuffs from Allied  
Armed Forces to the Italian Army

D/AC & KRN 15/3

TO : Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione

1. Reference ANR/SEGR/426 dated 20 February 46  
and further to 43-4/FOOD dated 4 March 1946.

2. May information be given, please, as to when  
the loan outstanding to the Allied Armed Forces will be  
repaid.

RECEIVED 15 MAR 1946  
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*[Signature]*  
V. R. A. COWPER  
Lt. Colonel

Director, Food & Agriculture Branch

Copy to : M.M.I.A.

*[Signature]*  
15/3



TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

REF: ANR/1/995

TO: Food Sub Commission  
M.M.I.A. for info.

*P/R* DATE: 7.8.46  
7/2/46 *KPA*  
12/3

SUBJECT: Restitution of dried vegetables to the British Army

- 1 - With reference to letters 40/21/Food of 11.2.46 and 43/4/Food of 19.2.46.
- 2 - We note that this High Commissariat must reimburse to the British Army 388 tons of imported dry vegetables from the stocks at its disposal because of the loan made by the British Army to the Italian Army during February; also that DST, GHQ, CMB, has permitted that out of the above mentioned 388 tons ~~that~~ the Italian Navy and Air Force be assigned 48 tons and 28 tons at Bari and Naples respectively and that the last mentioned two quantities will be considered by the DST as reimbursed to the British Army.
- 3 - In letter ANR/I/911/M/1 of 1st. March, we pointed out to your Sub Commission that there had been assigned to the Ministry of Marine 51 tons of vegetables, 23.8 tons on Naples and 27.2 tons on Brindisi, insofar as the said Ministry in place of the 48 tons referred to in the above quoted letter 43/4/Food has specifically requested the handing over of 51 tons, i.e. 3 tons extra.
- 4 - The Air Force Ministry has not so far requested the supply of the 28 tons referred to in para. 2 of this letter; this quantity has been stored however to meet the said request.
- 5 - Consequently, the exact amount of dried vegetables to be restored to the British Army is shown in the following account:
 

- to be r stored for a like quantity advanced to the Italian Army in February.....	388 tons
- assigned to the Navy Ministry out of the above mentioned 388 tons.....	51 tons
- stored to be assigned to the Air Force Ministry.....	<u>28 "</u>
Quantity still to be restored to the British Army	<u>79 tons</u> 309 tons =====
- 6 - Kindly specify at which DST stores the 309 tons of dried vegetables referred to in the previous paragraph must be placed at disposal and whether this quantity must be increased by the 3 tons handed over extra to the Navy Ministry.

O. Danin Cpl.

Sgd. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

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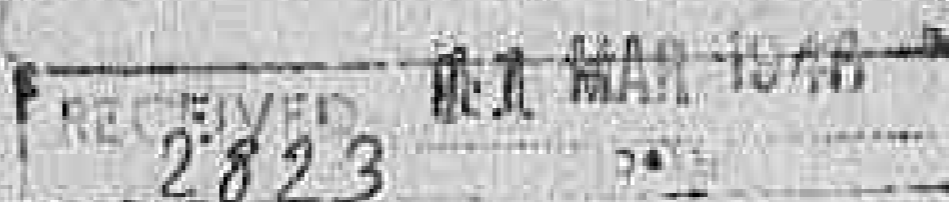
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE BRANCH

43-4/FOOD



9 March 46

SUBJECT : Subsistence loaned to  
Italian Government for Interim Army

TO : ~~Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione.~~

1. Reference this Headquarters letter 43-4/Food dated 4 March 1946.

2. Para 4 is hereby cancelled and further instructions are these items will be issued at a later date.

*Ronald R. Smith Lt Col*  
for  
V.B.A. COWPER Lt. Col  
Director

Copy to: HQ MTOUSA  
HQ PBS  
MMIA  
ST GQG CMF  
HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units)

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COPYGENERAL HEADQUARTERS, C.M.F.S.T. BRANCH

46/ST6(a)

Tel. Ext FREEDOM 499

5 March 1946SUBJECT:- Atta for the Italian Army.Land Forces Sub Comm AG  
(MMIA)

Reference your ST/102 dated 28 Feb 46.

1. The Atta drawn from 14 CRASC Sup Units (6½ tons) and 22 CRASC Sup Units (20 tons) may be returned.
2. We cannot agree to the return of the 295 tons drawn from 38 BSD. This was moved specially for the Italian Army. Will you please confirm that the value of this amount will be debited to the Italian Army by your Accounts Branch.
3. We hope the next time the Italian Army accepts a commodity it will not change its mind with quite so much inconvenience.

Seen by Col Kerr  
11/3Brigadier.  
Director of Supplies and Transport.Copy to:- HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units)  
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units)  
38 BSD.

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9. March 1946

Dir. A.C. Units

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Ref: DI/100/A/11

Subject: Feeding of the Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.  
Attn: G-5 Section.

Further to my letter DI/100/A/11 dated 28 February, I append below estimates from the monthly reports for December and January from the Food & Agriculture Sub-Committee:

1. Food & Agriculture S/S Monthly Report - December 1945.

The maintenance of Italian Army and Air Forces. Further, slow progress has been made in the negotiations dealing with the Italian Government's assumption of responsibility for maintenance of the Italian Army as from 1 December and the proposed assumption of responsibility for maintenance of the Italian Army and Air Forces as from 1 March 1946. The chief difficulty mentioned to be the Italian Government's reluctance to recognize the fact that it must sooner or later be entirely responsible for the maintenance of its own armed forces. However, the Ministry of Reconstruction ultimately sent in December instructions to the Italian Legation in Washington to purchase out of US funds quantities of imported foodstuffs required for the maintenance of the Italian Army as from 1 December. A request was also made to CGS by AF for the former's assistance to be given to the Italian Mission in the matter of procurement. The present position appears to be as follows:

(a) The Italian Government has at least accepted the fact that it must provide vouchers for the maintenance of the Army;

(b) until the supplies to be purchased as mentioned above actually arrive in Italy, requirements of the Army are being met partly out of existing stocks of imported civil supplies and partly out of existing stocks of surplus military supplies, in both cases on a replacement-based basis;

(c) maintenance of the Army to the end of January is almost entirely covered, but the outlook for February is still uncertain since to date Allied Military authorities have not agreed to make available any supplies out of surplus stocks for that month;

(d) The Italian Government still maintains that it is not

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(b) until the supplies to be purchased as mentioned above actually arrive in Italy, requirements of the Army are being met partly out of existing stocks of imported civil supplies and partly out of existing stocks of surplus military supplies, in both cases on a replacement-in-kind basis;

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(d) the Italian Government still maintains that it is not in a position to accept responsibility for maintaining the Navy and the Air Force, and on the question of finance generally is appealing to USAF to provide other ways and means of financing the purchases required for the use of US dollar credits in the US.

2. Food & Agriculture - US Monthly Report - January 1946.

10. Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces. Although this matter has been under almost constant discussion by the various parties concerned, little real progress seems to have been made during January apart from the receipt of information that 19,000 tons of flour, purchased by the Italian Govt out of US funds, and to be loaded in February, has been earmarked for the maintenance of the Italian Army. From this quantity however, those loans of flour which have been made from military stocks in Italy will have to be regarded. Imports of other miscellaneous commodities must

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also be arranged by the Italian Government to repay US and British Army for loans made from military stocks for use in December 1945, and January and February 1946, and to make good such quantities of civil supplies imported under the JMA Interim Program as have been used for Italian Army maintenance in the same months. This matter was referred to at some length in para 14 of the monthly report for December."

For the Chief Commissioners

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

REL/SL.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner  
Navy Sub-Com  
Air Forces Sub-Com  
Land Forces Sub-Com (MIA)  
Recn Sec (for Food & Agric S/O)

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

LAND FORCES SUPPLY COMMISSION A.G.  
M.M.I.A.File: Q/1-123  
Subject: Monthly Summary-February  
To: AQMG, IMHA

8 March 1946

Food Supply - Italian Army

The full ration has been maintained for the Italian Interim Army during the month of February, with the exception of cheese and rice. Delay and difficulty have been encountered in the procurement of these items from local indigenous resources.

OCCURRED

A near crisis in the supply of flour, the main portion of the ration, due to the non-arrival of imports. A loan was arranged from British Army stocks for February maintenance. This loan was made only after strong representation was made by the Chief Commissioner to the Prime Minister and for an assurance of repayment in kind ex IT financed imports by 28 Feb 46.

Following a letter from the Chief Commissioner to the Prime Minister concerning the general supply procurement responsibilities of the Italian Government towards the Italian Army, indications from the War Ministry reveal more consideration from the Food Ministry.

Negotiations have been made with U.S. Surplus Disposal Agency for procurement of foodstuffs surplus to U.S. Army needs; however, at this time, no surplus stock has been declared.

Concluding agreements / of foreign trade agreements the supply of foodstuffs for the Italian Army is improving.

KRN  
K. ROBERT NELSON  
Major CAG  
C/Accounts

Tel. 478527

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 384  
Food & Agriculture Branch

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ADVANCE  
COPY

Ref: 43-4/FA

6 March '46

SUBJECT/ Repayment of Foodstuffs to  
British Army

TO : High Commissioner for Food.

1. Confirming conversations between Prof. De Marzi,  
Dr. Mastromarino and Dr. Rogers of today's date:

2. DST, GHQ, CMF has agreed that part repayment  
of foodstuffs, which had been loaned to the Italian  
Government for the Italian Army, be effected through  
direct release to the Italian Air Force and Navy at Naples  
and Bari for April maintenance of respective services.

3. Details of amounts required for repayment  
are set out below:

COMMODITIES

	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>FILOUR</u>	<u>PRES. MEAT/ FISH</u>	<u>VEG. DRIED</u>
a. Due DST GHQ CMF	Metric tons.	2,735.9	260.9	312
b. Amount required				
By Navy for <u>Naples</u>	<u>lbs.</u>	978,750	163,125	108,750
" <u>Bari</u>	"	978,750	163,125	108,750
c. Amount required				
By Air Force for <u>Naples</u>	"	158,625	26,437	17,625
" <u>Bari</u>	"	853,875	142,311	94,375
d. Balance Due DST, GHQ, CMF	Metric tons.	1,385.9	36.4	157.8

4. Delivery has been requested by 10 March 46 by  
Italian Navy and Air Force.

Copy made by ADST



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5. Request that allocations be made as soon as possible in order that Air and Navy Ministries may effect distribution.

V.R.A. COWPER  
Lt. Col.  
Director

Copy to:

MMIA  
DST, CHG, CMB  
Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.  
Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

4 March 1948

43-1/ Food

SUBJECT: Subsistence loaned of Italian Government for  
Interim Army.

KRNS/13

TO: Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione.

1. Ref your ANR/SECO/426 dated 30 Feb. 48.

2. Arrangements have been made for the payment in  
cash through OFLC (U.S.) and ARAR (Ital) for the following  
items: (All in metric tons)

Commodity	Dec.	60Jan.	Feb.	Mar
Meat/Fish	480.4	575	575	575
Coffee	---	95	95	95
Sugar	---	100	---	---
		(100)	1263.9	

(b) Flour from U.S. sources for Dec. (1858.9 m/ tons)  
will be repaid in kind to U.S. COMFES, Leghorn.

3. The following items are to be repaid in kind  
to DAT. COMF. at Naples: (All in metric tons)

Commodity	Dec.	Jan.	5Feb.
Flour	1385.9	3300 ✓	1850 X
Pulses	---	312 *	---
Meat/Fish	260.8	---	---
	(260.9)		

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4. Reequipment the following items are due to the British Army. Actual location for these will be advised at a later date, (all in metric tons):

Commodity	Jan	Feb	Mar
	(360)	(387.5)	(259.5)
Rifles	400	387.5	300.0
Machine	112.5 (112.5)	—	—
Sniper	188 (180)	190	130 (190)

(all in metric tons)

*To be cancelled*

*Rose R. Smith Lt Col 7th*  
*for*

V. H. ...  
Director Food & Agric. Branch

Copy to :  
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 [illegible]  
 [illegible] (Please advise required locations as mentioned in para 4 above.)  
 [illegible] (Supply Unit)

Q/1 665

SUBJECT:- MFA for the Italian Interim Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.  
(M.L.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
SI/102

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- 9 BLU 10 BLU.

7 Mar 46. KRNS/2

1. The Director of Supplies and Transport GSI has now confirmed, his letter 64/STG(a) of 5 March 1946 refers, that the MFA drawn from 14 GRASO Supply Units amounting to 6½ tons and that drawn from 22 GRASO Supply Units totalling 20 tons may be returned forthwith to the respective installations.

2. As anticipated, DST GSI is unable to agree to the return of 295 tons already drawn at ANCONA as the consignment was railed specially from MARI, but he raises no objection to this quantity being sold for animal feeding. It will of course be necessary for the normal procedure to be adopted for condemnation of supplies unfit for human consumption.

MPHD/gno

*[Signature]*  
Lt. Col. RASO,  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (M.L.I.A.).

INTERNAL:- Q (A/es) ←

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SUBJECT:- ATTA for the Italian Interim Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.  
(M.M.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
SE/102

KRN 8/3

D.S.T., G.H.Q., G.M.F.

7 Mar 46.

Reference your 64/ST6(a) of 5 March.

1. The Italian War Ministry has been instructed that the ATTA drawn from 14 and 22 CRASC Supply Units may be returned to the respective installations and that that already drawn at ANCONA will be accepted by the Italian authorities.
2. Arrangements are being made by the Accounts Branch this HQ to debit the Italian authorities with the value of ATTA, amounting to approximately 295 tons, drawn from 36 BSD.
3. The contents of para 3 of your a/q letter are being conveyed to the Italian War Ministry.

MPHD/gao

*[Signature]*  
Lt. Col. RASC.  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (M.M.I.A.).

INTERNAL:- Q (1/02) ←

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SUBJECT:- Rations for Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.  
(M.M.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
BT/428197

KRN 5/3

Ministry of War.

4 Mar 45.

Copy to:- 3 BLU (letter Q/35/6 of 24 Feb 45).

The difficulty that is being experienced by your Ministry in obtaining cheese, rice, etc, from indigenous resources has now been referred by this HQ to the Chief Commissioner Allied Commission with an urgent request that representations be made to the Government to produce a satisfactory solution.

MFHD/gmc

*[Signature]*  
Lt. Col. R.S.G.  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.M.I.A.).

INTERNAL:- Q (A/OS) ←

SUBJECT: Rations for Italian Army

URGENT

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/1-122  
1 March 1946

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission

In continuation of my letter Q/1-117, 4 Feb. 46, above subject.

1. Attention is invited to attached copy of letter from 3 BLU regarding release of cheese from indigenous resources, as an example of difficulties reported to be general throughout Italy, which places the Army in a dangerous position as regards subsistence.
2. Your letters to the President of the Council, file TS/100/B/FS, dated 31 January and 12 Feb. 1946, suggesting action by the Government, have produced no results so far as is known.
3. It is urgently requested that representations be made to the Government to produce a satisfactory solution.

*L. Browning*

Major General  
M. M. I. A.

CPK/r1

Incl: Ltr. HQ 3 BLU, Q/35/6 dtd 24 Feb. 46.

C O P YSUBJECT: Supplies ex Italian Indigenous Resources.HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT  
Tel: 152965 Ext 10Q/35/6  
24 Feb 4610 MILA (32)

1. Ref your ST/297 of 16 Feb 46 and my Q/35/6 of 24 Jan 46.
2. There still appears to be a distinct lack of desire on the part of the responsible bodies to come to grips with the question of release of cheese to the Italian Army. Previously it was thought that the Provincial and Regional authorities were entirely to blame, but it now appears that this attitude of non-cooperation has spread to both the Direzione Generale dell'Alimentazione, Rome and Commissariato Inter-regionale dell'Alimentazione, Milan.
3. On the 21 Feb, a meeting was held in the offices of Inter-regionale dell'Alimentazione, Milan, at which Major GE was present, Professor RONCHI (Direzione Generale Alimentazione for Rationed Items, Rome), Dr S. LEANI and Dr GIASSI (Commissariato Alimentazione, MILANO) were also present. The subject at issue was the release of 750 tons of cheese to the Italian Army for the months of Jan, Feb, Mar, and Apr. Maj GE insisted that nothing was given for the release of this cheese, that names of firms were supplied and that details of distribution be given.
4. Prof RONCHI from Rome, who should have been in a position to take action in this matter, resorted to procrastination. He at first stated that he was in MILAN to appoint two new public officers, and that the matter of cheese must be discussed in Rome. When GE insisted, he said he must have time to study the question, and said he would have an answer on the next day. No decision, however, was forthcoming on the 22 and a meeting on the 26 Feb was suggested.
5. It is obvious that these officials want to avoid making a decision at all costs. To state that release was impossible would severely jeopardise their position in Rome with the Food Ministry; to attempt to effect release would test their powers of authority over SERRA and the producers to the utmost, an issue which they wish to avoid at all costs. It is apparent that this authority is in Rome only. Even the SERRA cannot control the release of cheese. Directors Ufficiale Formaggio, SERRA, Parma have informed Maj GE that they do not know exactly where the cheese is in their province nor to whom it belongs. The only solution, they state, is to hold a census. They know that producers are selling cheese to contractors without authority. When Maj GE told Prof RONCHI of this he was astonished and could not believe it.
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6. To investigate this matter fully and clarify the position with all its ramifications would be a considerable task. It is however apparent that:-

- (a) The authorities wish to avoid making a decision.
- (b) There is no adequate control.
- (c) The matter should be taken up on a high level with the Food Ministry.

Maj GE has not had an enviable task in attempting to sort out this matter, and the lack of success is not due to his efforts but to circumstances far beyond his control.

7. It appears that if the authorities in ROMA will not play, it is useless to make an example of the satellites. It is hoped that this appreciation may be of some assistance. The matter is too deep rooted for any satisfactory solution to be reached up here.

/s/ A.H. WILKINER  
Capt  
RASC

SUBJECT:- ATTA FLOUR.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.  
(M.E.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
ST/102

Ministry of War.

28 Feb 46.

1. Please arrange to cease acceptance of any further quantities of ATTA Flour at NAPLES or BARI. It is hoped that it will be possible to arrange return of atta already accepted at BARI and NAPLES to the respective British Depots.
2. So far as the ANCONA consignment is concerned it is probable that you will be asked to accept the total quantity consigned to be received but that no objection will be raised to your disposing of this for animal consumption.
3. It is anticipated that DAF GHQ will NOT require any replacement in kind of atta accepted, but it is considered that no replacement can be expected by you for the 650 tons originally earmarked for consumption of the Italian Interim Army.
4. A further communication will be forwarded as soon as possible when a definite statement of policy has been received from GHQ.

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*[Signature]*  
Lt. COL, RASC.  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (SCMA).

INTERNAL:- 9 (a/08) ←

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SUBJECT:- Supplies ex Italian Indigenous Resources.

Land Forces Sub Comm.  
(M.M.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
ST/297

KPN 28/2

Food and Agricultural Sub Commission AG.

23 Feb 46.

Copy to:- Ministry of War  
3 BLU for ST.

1. Attached is copy of a letter received from the Supply & Transport Officer with 3 BLU at MILAN.
2. From this it will be observed that the handover of supplies from indigenous resources in Northern Italy is still far from satisfactory.
3. You will be aware that repeated difficulties have been experienced not only in the case of shoes but of other commodities and these delays resulted in a cut in the scale of issues to the Italian Interim Army which would not have been necessary had supplies been received according to schedule.
4. In the circumstances any immediate action please be taken to ensure that the Ministry of Food meet their obligations promptly, since unless this is done the supply problem of the Ministry of War which is already difficult will be rendered virtually impossible.
5. For your information Major GE referred to in the attached letter is the War Ministry representative in Northern Italy.

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*M. H. Hillier*  
Lt. Col. RASC.  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.M.I.A.).

INTERNAL:- Q (A/cs) ←

Q/1 659

SUBJECT:- ATTA for the Italian Interim Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.  
(M.H.I.A.).  
Tel : 478207  
32/102

D.S.P., G.H.Q., C.M.F.

28 Feb 46. KPN 28/2

Copy to:- 9 BLU 10 BLU

1. Reference conversation Col. BEAN/Lt. Col. WILCOX may it please be confirmed that authority is granted for the Italian War Ministry to cease acceptance of infested stocks of ATTA at NAPLES and BARI and to return any quantities already accepted at these two points.
2. Regarding the ANCONA consignment of 400 tons it is noted that in view of the fact that this has been railed from BARI it will be necessary for the Ministry of War to accept the total quantity but that there will be no objection to their disposing of this for animal consumption.
3. It is further understood that you are prepared to waive repayment in kind for ATTA accepted, and that payment will be effected by shipping ticket in the normal manner.
4. It is regretted if any inaccuracies occur in the above but this is due to indistinct telephone communication.

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HMHD/gno

*Lt. Col. HASC.*  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.H.I.A.).

INTERNAL:- C (A/cs) ←

File 658

SUBJECT: Allocations

LABOR FORCE FOR PRODUCTION  
A.C. (N. M. I. A.) R O M E  
9/1-221  
28 February 1946

TO : Food and Agriculture Sub-Commission A.C.

Reference your letter 10-21/food of 18 Feb 46.

1. Attached hereto is a copy of MUSA Cable 021504 of 21 Feb 46 which confirms that 200 tons of preserved meat/fish, previously loaned to the Italian Government for December maintenance Italian Army subject to repayment in kind, has been declared surplus to U.S. Military requirements and will be purchased through OFM (U.S.) Surplus Disposal Agency) and A.C.A.C.

2. Request that Ministry of Food be advised that repayment in kind need not be made.

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K. GEORGE NELSON, Major  
For Major General  
N. M. I. A.

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Copy: Ministry of War  
Economic Section, Allied Commission

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Reourad C - 21279. Advised by War Department that disposal of preserved meat and fish should be in accordance with established procedures and declaration filed with OFLC. To effect settlement use same financial arrangements being used to purchase other surplus.

~~AC DIET~~

~~ACTION: ECON SEC 2~~

~~INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER~~

~~REG DIV~~

~~FILE 2~~

~~FLOAT~~

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File 656

## INTER-OFFICE MEMO.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.  
M.M.I.A. ROME

28 Feb. 56

File: Q/1-180

Subject: Subsistence loaned to Italian Government for Interia Army.

To : Food and Agriculture Sub Commission, A.C.

Reference Ministry of Food ltr AMM/SCM/126 of 20 Feb. 56.

1. Below is explanation concerning sources of loans made to the Italian Government for the Interia Army from Allied Military Stocks and releases from Food & Agriculture Sub Commission, A.C.

COMMODITY	UNIT	DEC	JAN	FEB	MARCH
FLOUR	Metric tons	1863.6		15.55	
		1335.9	3000	2000	-
PULSES	"	360	385	387.5	259.5
WHEAT/FISH	"	280.4	575	575	575
		260.9			
COFFEE	"	112.5	95	95	95
SUGAR	"	180	190	190	190

2. Items outlined in red crayon will not be repaid in kind to the U.S. Arrangements have been made for payment in cash through AFAC (US) and ARAN (Ital). Flour from U.S. sources for Dec. (1863.9 m/tons) will be repaid in kind to U.S. ON, FOB, Leghorn.

3. Items outlined in blue crayon are to be repaid in kind to IAT, ON, ONF, at Naples.

4. Items outlined in lead pencil have been released by Food and Agriculture Sub-Commission A.C. Details of repayment is for that Sub-Commission.

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5. Details of the above have been included in our letters Q/I-105 of 23 Nov. 45 (Dec. maint.) and Q/I-111 of 18 Dec. 45.

6. Your letters refer to releases made by Food and Agriculture Sub Commission.

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K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
N. H. T. A.

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Q/1 655

SUBJECT:- Issue of Pasta in lieu of Rice.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.  
(M.M.I.A.).  
Tel. 478207  
ST/140

CRN 23/2

21 Feb 46.

List 'B'

Below for information is translation of text of a letter 3266/S/1 dated 16 Feb 46 forwarded by The Ministry of War to all Commissariat Directorates and Sections.

"As it is known, owing to difficulties encountered in drawing rice, it has often occurred that the Food Depots have been unable to issue this item in due time; therefore it has been complained that the soldiers have not been able to have their rations.

Considering the above as a consequence of the application to High Commissariat for Food, we have been able to obtain the allocation of Flour in lieu of Rice for the month of March; we therefore instruct that 28 grs of pasta per day be issued during next month in lieu of rice rations; provided that remainders of rice are exhausted in Food Depots."

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*[Signature]*  
Lt. Col. RASC.  
DST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MILA).

Tel: 489081

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

48-4/Feed

19 February, 1946

KRN 2/2

SUBJECT: Repayment of feedstuffs loaned for maintenance of Italian Army  
TO : Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione

1. Further to this office letter 40-21/Feed of 11 February, 1946.
2. Copy of Land Forces Sub-Commission letter 2/1/119 of 15 February 1946 is forwarded for your information and action.
3. DST, ONA, ONP, has agreed that 48 tons and 26 tons of dried vegetables should be made available at Bari and Naples respectively to the Italian Air Force and Navy out of the 308 tons of dried vegetables due to be repaid to the British Army during February in respect of the loan thereof made for maintenance of the Italian Army in January. These quantities will be regarded by DST as having been repaid to the British Army in view of the fact that the British Army is still responsible for the part maintenance of the Italian Air Force and Navy. The balance due will of course be repaid directly by you to the British Army.
4. Please advise Land Forces Sub-Commission directly with regard to para 5 of the attached letter. If any part of this transaction is not understood, please communicate immediately with this Office.
5. Please note that the dried vegetables in question are required by the Italian Air Force and Navy at Bari and Naples on or before 25 February, 1946.

Enclosure:  
1 as above.

Copy to:  
 DST, ONA, ONP  
 Economic Section (Supply Group)  
 Land Forces Sub-Commission  
 Air Forces, Sub-Commission  
 Navy Sub-Commission  
 Federconsorzi, Rome  
 Federazione Warehouse, Naples  
 Federazione Warehouse, Bari  
 File 40-21/Feed

*[Signature]*  
 P.J. LING,  
 Director

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SUBJECT: Repayment of Foodstuffs

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.G. (M.M.I.A.) HOME  
Q/1-119  
15 February 1946

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TO : Food & Agriculture Sub-Commission A.C.

Reference your letter 40-21/Food of 11 Feb. 46.

1. It is requested that a portion of the 388 tons of dried vegetables, which is due for repayment to the British Army, be released from Ministry of Food depots to the Italian Air Force and Navy at Naples and Bari.
2. Due to a shortage of supply only 50% of the requirements of dried vegetables can be met for the maintenance for March of the Italian Air Force and Navy. It is therefore requested that the balance of dried vegetable requirement be met from the Ministry of Food stocks against the loan previously made to the Italian Government for the Interim Army.
3. 106,566 lbs and 61,030 lbs dried vegetables will be required at Bari and Naples respectively by 25 February.
4. DST, GHQ, GAF has agreed to the above in principle.
5. Request that this office be advised of details of collection in order to advise the Navy and Air Force in good time.

/s/ K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M.M.I.A.

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Copy to: Air Forces Sub Commission AG  
Navy Sub Commission  
Supply Group, Economic Section A.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
 AFG 394  
 FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

40-81/food

18 February, 1946

SUBJECT: Allocations

TO : Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione

1. Further to this office letter 40-81/food of 2 February, 1946.

2. It is now understood from Land Forces Sub-Commission that the 200 tons preserved meat/fish, referred to in para 4 of above-mentioned letter, as being due to US Army in repayment of similar quantity loaned to the Italian Government for maintenance of the Italian Army, may be declared surplus by US Army, and therefore transferred to OFIC for sale to the Italian Government according to the normal procedure laid down for such transaction. In view of this, it is requested that, pending a definite decision in this matter, of which you will be informed as soon as possible by this Sub-Commission, no action be taken by you to repay this quantity of preserved meat/fish to the US Army.

3. It is confirmed that the repayment due to the British Army is still required.

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W.J. LING,  
 Director

COPY TO:

AFHQ, G-5

AFCSA, G-4

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Economic Section (Supply Group)

Land Forces Sub-Commission

Federconsorzi, Rome

Federazione Warehouse: Ancona

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

KRN/2

43-4/ FOOD

15 FEBRUARY 1946

SUBJECT: Subsistence Italian Army  
TO : Alto Commissariato per Alimentazione

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1. Further to this office letter 43-4/ Food of 12 Feb 46
2. Para 2 refers to loans from U.S. Army only.

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W. J. LEGG  
DIRECTOR

Copy to: HQ MTOUSA  
HQ PBS  
ECON SECT (Supply Group)  
LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION (M&IA)  
Italian Ministry of War  
Interministerial Committee of Reconstruction  
Federconsorzi, Roma.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 384  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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43-4/FOOD

12 February 1946

SUBJECT : Subsistence Italian Army

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TO : Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione

1. The following correspondence refers to this subject :

- (a) This headquarters letter 43/4/43/FOOD dated 10 Nov. 45 <sup>att 581</sup>
- (b) Land Forces Sub-Commission letter Q/1-100 dated 12 Nov. 45 <sup>581</sup>
- (c) Land Forces Sub-Commission letter Q/1-105 dated 23 Nov. 45 <sup>595</sup>
- (d) Land Forces Sub-Commission letter Q/1-114 dated 12 Jan. 46 <sup>630</sup>

2. Desired delivery point for repayment of Subsistence released to the Italian Army is Leghorn.

3. Please advise this office when repayment is completed.

*Have requested  
FCA to amend  
para 2 to refer to  
U.S. Army Army only*

*W.J. Legg*  
W.J. LEGG  
Director

Copy to : HQ MTOUSA  
HQ PBS  
Econ Sect (Supply Group)  
Land Forces Sub-Commission (AMIA)  
Italian Ministry of War  
Interministerial Committee of Reconstruction  
Federconsorzi Roma.

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SUBJECT: Repayment of Foodstuffs

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (N. M. I. A.) ROME  
O/I-119  
15 February 1946

TO : Food & Agriculture Sub-Commission A.C.

Reference your letter 40-21/FOOD of 11 Feb 46.

1. It is requested that a portion of the 300 tons of dried vegetables, which is due for repayment to the British Army, be released from Ministry of Food depots to the Italian Air Force and Navy at Naples and Bari.
2. Due to a shortage of supply only 50% of the requirements of dried vegetables can be met for the maintenance for March of the Italian Air Force and Navy. It is therefore requested that the balance of dried vegetable requirement be met from Ministry of Food stocks against the loan previously made to the Italian Government for the Interim Army.
3. 106,563 lbs and 61,070 lbs dried vegetables will be required at Bari and Naples respectively by 25 February.
4. BST, GRQ, GRF has agreed to the above in principle.
5. Request that this office be advised of details of collection in order to advise the Navy and Air Force in good time.

*see 654*

*K. Robert Nelson*  
K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
N. M. I. A.

KRN/sp  
Copy to: Air Forces Sub Commission A.C.  
Navy Sub Commission  
Supply Group, Economic Section A.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

40-21/food

11 February 1946

SUBJECT: Allocations

TO : ~~Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione~~

Q/A  
KRN 4/2

- Further to this office letter 40-21/food of 29 January 1946.
- The following allocations are made ex stock blocked for AG at Federazioni Magazzini, Venice:

Eggs, powdered	2 tons	
Fish	229 "	
Meat	1 "	
Lard	1 "	
Milk, evaporated	207 "	
Milk, powdered	1,015 "	
Sugar	200 "	
Soup	1,000 "	
Tea	104 "	(only for use in hospitals and other institutions)

- 100 tons of fish at Federazioni Magazzini, Ancona
- 140 tons of fish at " " Genoa
- 68 tons of fish at " " Leghorn

are hereby allocated to the Italian Government ex stocks blocked for AG.

4. Your attention is drawn to the necessity of repaying before the end of February from Italian Government stocks the quantities of preserved meat/fish loaned to the Italian Government on Allied military stocks for maintenance of the Italian Army in December 1945, and January 1946. On this account 200 tons of preserved meat/fish is due to US Army, and 261 tons of preserved meat/fish is due to the British Army.

5. It is, therefore, suggested that before making any further assignment of meat or fish to Regio, action be taken to repay the above-mentioned loans either out of stocks allocated in items 2 and 3, or out of other stocks already allocated to Italian Government but not saved from other Federazioni Magazzini warehouses. Although repayment in this form will liquidate Italian Government liability to Allied Military Forces in this connection, there will still be the necessity for the Italian Government to replace these quantities of supplies imported under the FSA Interim Programme (1 September - 31 December 1945) with similar quantities of foodstuffs to be imported by the Italian Government specifically for maintenance of its armed forces and paid for out of YF funds.

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6. You are reminded that 308 tons of dried vegetable is also due to be repaid to the British Army during February in respect of a loan thereof made for maintenance of the Italian Army in January. In this connection, it is suggested that this quantity should be repaid out of stocks of dried vegetable recently assigned to the Italian Government, and dealt with subsequently in a similar way to that suggested above for preserved meat/fish. This office letter 43-12/Food of 2 February assigned the dried vegetable in question.

7. On the general question of maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces, your attention is drawn to this office letter of 43/4/Food of 9 February 1946.

*W. J. Legg*  
 W. J. LEGG  
 Director

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Copy to:

AFHQ, G-5

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Economic Section (Supply Group)

Land Forces Sub-Commission

Federconsorzi, Rome

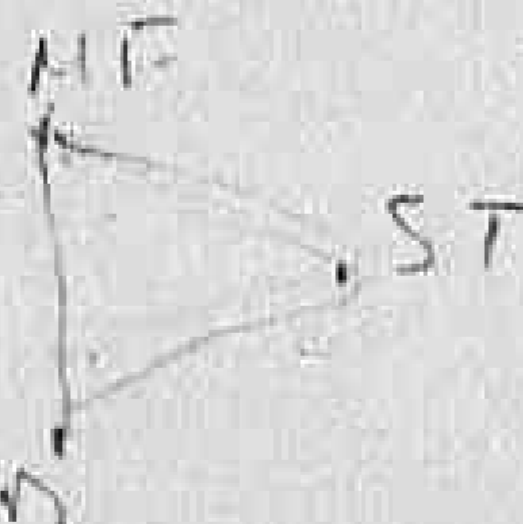
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This constitutes your authority for assignment of the above-mentioned quantities of foodstuffs to Italian Government.



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*D. LaRue* 648

Ref: TS/100/S/RS.

12 February 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In further reference to my letters of 31 January 1946 and in reference to your letter of 1 February 1946, all dealing with the question of subsistence for the Armed Forces, I wish to pass the following information to you.

We have now heard from Washington that of the total XT procured flour 19,500 tons have been sent aside for the Italian Army. I attach for your information the message (COM 379 of 1 February 1946) confirming this.

I assume that your Government will take appropriate steps to insure that this quantity is made available, immediately upon arrival of the flour, to the Ministry of War, so that the Minister of War will be able:

- (a) to repay Allied loans;
- (b) to have in his depots sufficient flour to feed the Army for the March-April-May period.

You will, of course, also be interested in the information contained in COM 379 concerning the current request of the Combined Liberated Areas Committee for allocation of six months' basic requirements of sugar and dried vegetables for the Army.

Lastly, I would refer you to the last paragraph of my TS/100/S/RS dated 31 January 1946 and would be glad to know what action is being taken, as I am informed that the supply from indigenous resources is not satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,  
Acting Chief Commissioner.

Doctor Alcide De Gasperi,  
President of the Council of Ministers,  
Italian Government,  
R O M E.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner  
Ex. Commissioner  
Land Forces S/G (MMA)  
Food & Agric S/G. Regn Branch.

Tel: 489081

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
AFC 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

(K)  
9 February 1946

43-4/Food

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Italian Interim Army

TO : Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione

1. Reference attached copy of extracts from COM cable 379 of 1 February received from CCS, Washington, and WOC cable 415 of 20 December 1945, dispatched to CCS, Washington.

2. It is recommended that out of the requested allocation of 3,000 tons canned fish under the Italian-Spanish trade agreement, 1515 tons should be earmarked for use towards the maintenance of the Italian Interim Army in the period 1 December 1945 - 1 June 1946. The total quantity of meat and fish (preserved) required for this period is 3,240 tons, against which 1725 tons has been made available to the Italian Government (for payment from IF funds) out of US surplus military stocks. Therefore, the balance to be found from other sources is the quantity recommended above to be earmarked.

3. Your early observations on the foregoing recommendation will be appreciated.

*W. J. Legg*  
W. J. LEGG,  
Director

Copy to:

Economic Section (Supply Group)  
Commerce (IT) Sub-Commission  
Land Forces Sub-Commission  
Ministry of Foreign Trade

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EXTRACT FROM MOC CABLE 415 of 20 December 1945

Basic monthly import requirements in metric tons for maintenance of Italian Interim Army are as follows:

Flour	2,703
Meat and Fish (Preserved)	540
Maccaroni	
(Flour equivalent)	560
Vegetables (Dried)	360
Sugar	180
Coffee	90
Pepper	0.9

Procurement of these items possible from indigenous stocks and surplus stocks within the theater is being and will be made. Allied Forces Headquarters informs following available from US surplus stock, for payment by YF funds:

Preserved meat/fish	1,725 metric tons
Coffee	285 " "
Sugar	190 " "

*see 620*

Any further availabilities here will be notified you so that procurement by Mission can be correspondingly reduced.

EXTRACT FROM COM 379 of 1 February 1946.

Against MOC 426 CLAC (S) has requested allocation 3000 tons canned fish which Italy expects to procure from Spain under Italy/Spanish agreement. Can you use the fish when procured to cover those Italian army requirements not satisfied out of United States Army surplus query no additional allocation will be requested of combined food board unless advised by you to the contrary.

*File 6046*

SUBJECT: Subsistence Supply - Italian Interim Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.G. (M. M. I. A.) ROME  
Q/1-118  
9 February 1946

TO : Commanding General,  
Perimeter Base Section,  
APO 702, U.S. Army  
FOR : QUARTERMASTER

1. Following verbal request herewith additional copy of our letter, subject "Subsistence - Italian Interim Army" ref Q/1-111 of 18 Dec. 45.

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*KRN*

K. ROBERT WILSON, Major  
For Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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ALLIED MILITARY LOANS  
TO  
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FOR ITALIAN ARMY (INTERIM)

	<u>U.S.</u> <u>lbs.</u>	<u>U.K.</u> <u>lbs</u>
<u>FLOUR</u>	4,100,000 (Dec)	3,049,000 (Dec)
	—	6,613,800 (Jan)
	—	<u>4,409,200 (Feb)</u>
		13,072,000

<u>PRES. MEAT/FISH</u>	617,000 (Dec)	<u>574,000 (Dec)</u>
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<u>P/B/L</u>	—	<u>855,385 (JAN)</u>
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165,000  
690,000  
855,000

- Copy given to Col. Legg (Food Agri. S/C)
- Requested that he advise me concerning details of repayment

KRN 9/2

*File 645  
KRM/ln*

I N D O M I N G M E S S A G E

Message Centre Not G/8557

Date Time Rec'd 2 Feb 11 00

Precedence ROUTINE

Originator's Reference WOL 42964

Date/Time of Origin: 1 Feb 0006Z

FROM: War CCS CITE CCAC

TO : AC for CLAC INFO: AFHQ for JFCGEG and London area office for War Office for

CLAO Secretariat.

FEB - 4 1946  
Econ Sec Distr  
ACTION: Food & Ag  
INFO: CSO

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This is COM 379.

Refer MCO 415. Food requirements for interim Army and Carabinieri. Supply

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3. Pepper not NIL nor is it available ex United States. Suggest Italian Government do direct procurement on this I. Therefore no action by CLAO (S) is required. Italian Government is free to buy moreover it wants to or to instruct the Italian technical delegation to purchase in bond here for trans /shipment to Italy.
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that they make appropriate adjustment

ACTION: Food & Ag  
INFO: 150  
Supply  
MMA

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  4. Due to termination of procurement in United States by Department of State (FIA) under Y T requisitions of February 1 ( Refer COM 368), Italian Government should make direct purchase against allocations if and when received for S and pulses.
  5. Italian technical Delegation here being advised of contents of this cable.

ALL 647  
FEB 1946  
t.o.



Message Centro NO: 4/8557

SHEET 2

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ACTION DIRECTION: Iron Section 18  
GSO 6  
Supply Group  
Program IR  
Requisition IR 10

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Food & Agr SC 2  
Ind & Util SC 2  
Coal Div  
IN SC2

INFO:

Chief Commissioner  
Exec Commissioner 2  
CC IR EMB  
CA US EMB  
USA Rome  
MWRB  
FALO

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Incoming SignalPENBASE C 3186  
FEB 042033 AG/8702  
FEB 050945 A

ROUTINE

KRN 6/2

PENBASE

ALCOM, Info: G-4 MPOUSA

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CITE BPSUP. BIGDS, <sup>639</sup>  
 REFERENCE MPOUSA CABLE C 18996 OF 1 FEBRUARY 1946 (.)  
 REPAYMENT OF SUBSISTENCE RELEASED TO ITALIAN ARMY IS  
 SUBJECT (.) DELIVERY POINT DESIRED IS LEGHORN (.)  
 MPOUSA WILL BE ADVISED WHEN REPAYMENT IS COMPLETED (.)

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Copy to:

ADST, MMIA

M.M.I.A.  
7/05  
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*Land Forces*

PENBASE G 3186  
FEB 042033 A

G/8702  
FEB 050945 A  
ROUTINE

PENBASE  
ALCOM, INFO: G-4 MPOUSA

RECEIVED 5 FEB 1946  
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*J.R. Aves*

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*639*

CITE RPSUP. HPGDS. Reference MPOUSA cable G 18996 of 1 February 1946. Repayment of subsistence released to Italian army is subject.

Delivery point desired is LEMHORN. MPOUSA will be advised when repayment is completed.

*INFO - ACTION*

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ACTION FOOD & AGRIC 2  
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L FORCES  
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
ROOM 2  
FILE 2  
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HEADQUARTERS  
5 FEB 1946  
A. C.

SUBJECT : Rations for Italian Army.

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Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.  
(M.F.I.A.)  
R O M E  
Q/1 -117

4 February 1946

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

1. In continuation of your letter to DE GASPERI dated 31 Jan. and his letter to you dated 1 Feb., with reference to the securing of rations for the Interim Army, I feel that the following points should be brought urgently to the attention of the Italian Government for necessary action, in order to insure the necessary subsistence for the Interim Army.
2. On the handover of the Army to the Government, the Combined Chiefs of Staff specified that the Italian Government would be responsible for the supply of subsistence from indigenous resources. It was well known that certain items would have to come from imports (or be taken from stocks in the country available to civilian requirements and the civilian requirements replenished from imports.) The Italian Government stated that the responsibility would be met by it.
3. a. It is our understanding that the Italian Purchasing Commission in the United States was authorized to purchase from Y.F. Funds a six months supply of flour (19500 tons) for the Army, which would be in addition to the civil import program. Cable No COM 374 from COS to ALCOM Rome, dated 24 Jan. 1946, confirms that this has been done and the flour has been shipped. This 19500 tons will fill the Army needs only until 1 June 1946; so, on arrival, the entire 19500 tons should be given by the Government to the War Ministry so that the War Ministry can pay back to the Allied Armies what has been loaned for December, January and February, and then have on hand in Army depots the necessary amount for the balance of the period i.e. up to 1 June.
- b. However, the President of the Council of Ministers in the third paragraph of his letter of 1 February, addressed to you, seems to be of the opinion that the 19500 tons of flour was purchased for civilian use and not especially for the Army. If this is what the Italian Government is going to act on when the flour arrives in the country, the flour will not go to the Army, and the requirements for the Army for March, April and May will not be in Army depots as they should be, and on 1 March

the feeding of the Army will continue to be in the same dangerous and unsettled condition as it was on 1 February.

c. It appears that the Italian Government is either (1) not concerned with assuring food in sufficient quantity for the Army, or (2) are convinced that when the time comes the Allies will step in and loan or give the necessary food from Allied military stocks to the Italians. If the Government is not willing to assure food for the Army, then the Allies must either demand that the Government do so even at the expense of the civilian population or reconcile themselves to the fact that the Italians do not want the Army authorized by the Allies and will not support it, in which case the retention of Allied troops in Italy is indicated. The Italian Government is wrong if it believes that the Allied Armies will furnish more food from Allied military stocks, for we have been advised that the United States will not do so and the War Office has taken a very dim view of the loans already made by the British Army.

4. a. The supply of other items of the ration from indigenous resources, which was assured by the Italian Government, and which must be secured from indigenous resources, as there is no import program set up for them, is far from satisfactory. For instance, the supply of cheese, one of the basic items, for the month of December, had not been completed on 29 January.

b. It appears that the Italian Food Ministry makes the allocation to the Army without any regard to availability, and the Army has been unable to actually collect. The result is that the ration is being reduced and the morale of the troops is likewise being reduced. The Italian soldier does not understand all of this business and he feels that his officers are stealing from him or at any rate that he is being penalized by inefficiency in high places, just the same as under the Fascist regime. Maybe this is the feeling that certain elements of the Government desire to foster in the soldiers. It is certain that such a feeling can and would do immeasurable harm to Army morale and might well reduce the units to a dissatisfied, unstable, and mutinous rabble.

5. In order to clarify the matter it is <sup>urg</sup> urged that the Italian Government, on the highest level, should be forced to issue necessary instructions, categorically ordering that :-

a. 19500 tons of Flour be turned over to the Army immediately on arrival - (the Army to pay back the loans from the Allies from this amount).

b. Subsistence which must come from indigenous resources actually be made physically available to the Army, at

the required time as a matter of first priority.

  
Colonel

Major General  
M.M.I.A.

Copies to:

Col. Blakeney, Deputy G-4, MTOUSA  
Lt. Col. Clare, Q, GHQ, CMF,  
Col. Bean, DDST, GHQ, CMF,  
ADST, MIA  
Circulator

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Translation

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Land Forces

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The President of the Council of Ministers

RECEIVED 4 FEB 1946 12-12 February 1946

Q/Refers

Dear Admiral,

after hearing the High Commissioner for Alimentation, I am able to assure you that by the 28th of February the Italian Government will give back to the Supreme Allied Command the amount of flour which the said Command is willing to supply, as a loan, for the requirements of the Italian Armed Forces.

The necessary amounts for the restitution will be taken from the supplies which will arrive, in accordance with the Y.T. plan which you mention.

While I express the sincere gratitude of the Italian Government to the Supreme Allied Command for the help they are giving us, I take this opportunity to draw your attention on the fact that the flour supplies foreseen by the Y.T. plan had been reckoned in accordance with the requirements of the civilian population.

Believe me, my dear Admiral,

Sincerely yours,

s. De Gasperi

all 649

Admiral Ellery W. Stone  
Chief Commissioner  
Allied Commission  
Rome

EC DIST - 4 Feb.

ACTION: LAND FORCES S/C  
NOTE: ADVANCE COPY SENT TO YOU BY CHIEF COMMS OFFICE FOR ACTION

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INFO: ECON SEC (2)

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Translation

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1 February 1946

ICRN 5/2

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Chief Commissioner  
Allied Commission  
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Folio # 641

See file Q11-B

Folio # 5

Ration Policy

Italian Lubeum Navy

File 640

SUBJECT: Loan of Flour to Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/1-116  
4 February 1946

TO : Q, CHQ, CMP,

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Reference your FK-59771 of 30 Jan. and further  
to our Q.800 of 2 Feb. 46. - 638

1. Certified true copy of letter dated 1 Feb. 46 from the Prime Minister of Italian Government to Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, attached hereto for your information.

KRN

K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

KRN/rl

see 637  
& 638

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Incoming Signal

G 18996  
O11539A

G/8521  
FEB 020815

ROUTINE

LTCUSA  
PDS - ALCOM

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SUBSISTENCE FOR ITALIAN ARMY IS SUBJECT (.) ANTICIPATE RECEIPT ON  
OR ABOUT 28 FEBRUARY 1946 OF 1, 100, 000 POUNDS FLOUR AND 617, 000 POUNDS  
PRESERVED MEAT AND FISH LOANED FROM U.S. MILITARY STOCKS TO ITALIAN ARMY (.)  
SEE LTCUSA LETTER 29 NOVEMBER 1945, SUBJECT AS ABOVE (.) PDS TO NOTIFY ALCOM  
POINT OF DELIVERY DESIRED (.) REQUEST THIS HEADQUARTERS BE ADVISED WHEN  
REPAYMENT COMPLETED (.)

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AFHQ

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ACTION : FOOD & AGREC 2  
          MMIA  
INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
          ECOM SEC 2  
          FILE 2  
          FICAT

Copy to:  
ADST, MMIA

See 6 G-4 MTOUSA sent cable  
to AGWAR requesting  
authority to declare  
surplus for  
sale through OFEC  
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M.M.I.A.  
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MTOUSA

PBS - ALCOM

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Subsistence for Italian army is subject. Anticipate repayment on or about 28 February 1946 of 4, 100, 000 pounds flour and 617, 000 pounds preserved meat and fish loaned from U S Military stocks to Italian army. See MTOUSA letter 29 November 1945, subject as above. PBS to notify Alcom point of delivery desired. Request this Headquarters be advised when repayment completed.

AC DIST

ACTION: FOOD & AGRIC 2  
MMIA  
INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
ECON SEC 2  
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HEADQUARTERS  
2 FEB 1946  
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File 638

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: IMIA  
TO : AFHQ  
FOR : G CHQ CIP  
INFO: ALXCH

Feb 2 1235

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REFERENCE YOUR FX 5977L OF 30 JAN (.) CONFIRMATION IN WRITING HAS BEEN  
RECEIVED FROM HEAD ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FOR REPAYMENT IN KIND FX 28 FEB  
16 OF LOAN TO ITALIAN ARMY OF 2000 TONS FLOUR (.) REQUEST RELEASE BE  
MADE (.) THIS CONFIRMS THEORETICAL CLAIM-RESCUE THIS DATE (.)

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED [Signature]

All 637  
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INTERNAL  
AIST, IMIA

Incoming Signal

FROM : AFHQ  
 TO : MMIA  
 INFO : ALCOM

30 January - 1827 A

FX 59771

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FROM Q GHQ CMT (.) YOUR LETTER Q/1-115 OF 24 JAN 46 AND  
 SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION NELSON - CLARE (.)  
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 DO NOT PERMIT LOAN AND BRITISH HOLDINGS ONLY ALLOW LOAN FOR VERY  
 SHORT PERIOD TWO (.) ANY LOAN NOW GRANTED FOR CONSUMPTION BY  
 ITALIAN ARMY DURING FEB REPRESENTS FLOUR REQUIRED FOR CONSUMPTION  
 BY BRITISH TROOPS DURING MARCH SINCE NO FURTHER IMPORTS PLANNED  
 UNTIL APR (.) REPAYMENT WILL BE REQUIRED BY 28 FEB 46 SUCH  
 REPAYMENT TO HAVE FIRST PRIORITY CALL ON ANY STOCKS AVAILABLE  
 TO ITALIAN GOVT AT THAT DATE (.) REQUEST CONFIRMATION OBTAINED  
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(SIGNAL C <sup>6/14</sup> 47119 OF 15 DEC REFERS)

FIVE (.) FOR ALCOM AND MMIA LOANS AT PARA FOUR ABOVE ALSO REQUIRE URGENT REPAYMENT

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FROM AFHQ 301827A

TO ~~M.M.I.A.~~

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FX59771 RESTRICTED FROM Q GHQ CMF . YOUR LETTER Q/1-115 OF 24 JAN 46 AND SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION NELSON - CLARE .

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BT 301827A

SENT NR 95 KM B

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*1940 JTB*

*L. Bowen*

# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: FX 59771  
 Date/Time of Origin: JAN 30 1827 A

Message Centre No: G/8361  
 Date Time Rec'd: JAN 31 0845 A  
 Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: AFHQ G GHQ GMT

TO : MMIA

INFO: ALCOM

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Your letter Q/1-115 of 24 January 46 and subsequent conversation Nelson-Clare.

1. Confirm verbal explanation that US Army flour holdings do not permit loan and British holdings only allow loan for very short period.

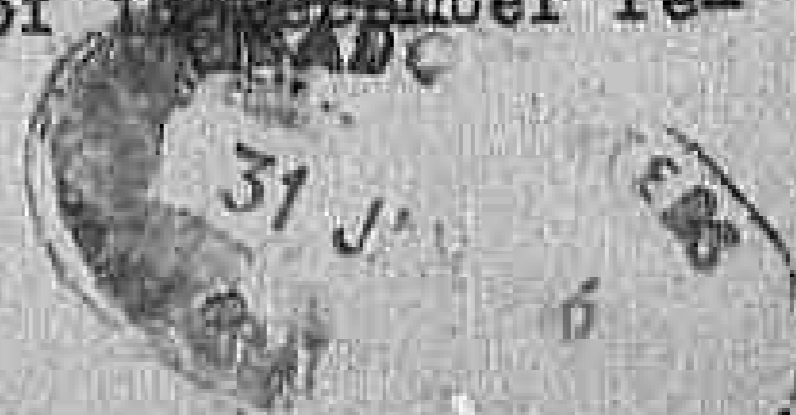
2. Any loan now granted for consumption by Italian Army during February represents flour required for consumption by British troops during March since no further imports planned until April. Repayment will be required by 28 February 46 such repayment to have first priority call on any stocks available to Italian Govt at that date. Request confirmation obtained from Italian Govt in writing that these terms acceptable before offer of assistance confirmed.

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3. Subject to para 2 above can loan 2000 tons flour up to 50 per cent of which may be available now at Naples. Regret cannot consider any further loan unless replacement flour known to be available in Italy within 14 days I E ship advised as sailed from country of origin.

4. For information other loans flour to Italian Govt from British Army are (A) Outlay against Mid shift meal 5000 tons. (B) 3000 tons for Italian army consumption January for which replacement was required by 30 April 46. (signal C 47119 of 18 December refers)

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1. L.O. to Prime Minister  
for repayment to DSI
2. Ltr. fr. Prime Minister  
in reply
- 3.

## INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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5. For ALCOM and MMIA loans at para 4 above also require urgent repayment.

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ACTION: L FORCES

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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File Q/P  
T N C O M I N G M E S S A G E

Originator's Reference: M 0892 Message Centre: G/8025  
Date/Time of Origin: JAN 242227 Date/Time Rec'd: JAN 251000  
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: WAR FROM CCS CITE CCAO  
TO: ALCOM ROME AFHQ UK BASE SECTION LONDON ALLIED COMMISSION  
FOR ACTION FOR CIAC INFO: AFHQ FOR RHGEG AND LONDON AREA  
OFFICE FOR WAR OFFICE FOR SLAO SECRETARIAT.

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This is COM 374. Refer MOC 451, MOC 469. Wheat and flour for ITALY

1. Requisition YB-1 was written for 400,000, YB-1A1 substituted for 15,000 S/T of flour for 15,000 M/T of what in YB-1, YB-1A2 added 24,000 M/T of flour and 26,000 M/T of what, YB-1A3 added 67,000 M/T of flour and 50,000 M/T of wheat, YB-1A4 added 47,000 M/T of wheat and YB-188 added 133000 M/T of wheat. THUS the total amount of wheat requisitioned is 641000 of wheat, and 106,000 tons of flour. Recently by processing YB-1A5, and YB-188 A1 and accancellation form a shift was made of 91,000 M/T of unshipped flour to YB and 117,045 M/T of wheat from YB to YB account. This transaction however did not alter the total quantities of wheat and flour requisitioned in any pet

2. Previously unreported confirmed sailings which ships ex UNITED STATES ports as established by WSL:

Ship number	Ship name	Port	Sailed
209	E.A. PEDEN	NEW YORK	1/5
210	JAS. DEVERLAUX	PORTLAND	1/2
211	BENJ GRIERSON	PORTLAND	1/7

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237	LUTHER S. KELLY	PORTLAND	12/17
238	JOEL PALMER	PORTLAND	1/2
298	ASA GRAY	PHILADELPHIA	1/5
302	CHAS. B. JACKSON	ALBANY	1/8
317	ALF LINDBERG	BALTIMORE	12/31
322	SAMUEL JOHNSON	BALTIMORE	1/5
323	PHILANDER C. INOX	BALTIMORE	1/8
327	THOS. POLLOCK	BOSTON	1/9
308	JOHN COLTHER	PHILADELPHIA	1/12

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313	JOYCE KILMER	2	HAMPTON RDS	G/8025
324	JOE C.S. BLACKBURN		BALTIMORE	1/11
304	BILLY MITCHELL		ALBANY	1/12
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318	CLEVELAND FORBES		BALTIMORE	1/14
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3. UNERRAS January shipment of about 69,000 tons believed firm but February program still under consideration. Crew shortage ; problem steadily improving.



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KRN 281

INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: MTOUSA

JAN 26 1802 A

TO : FBS

INFO: Q(MAINT ALCOM PENSOUTH

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SEE LETTER LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION (MMIA)  
 Q/1-115/24 JANUARY 1946 (.) REQUESTED IS LOAN OF 3400  
 METRIC TONS FLOUR TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FOR INTERIM  
 ARMY SUBJECT TO REPAYMENT BY 31 MARCH 1946 (.)  
 CAN REQUIREMENT, OR ANY PORTION, BE SUPPLIED WITHOUT  
 JEOPARDY TO UNITED STATES POSITION?  
 IF POSSIBLE, AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF QUANTITY AVAILABLE,  
 DESIGNATING POINT OF DELIVERY

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FROM MTOUSA 261802A  
TO PBS  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

CWW/maa

Ref: TS/100/B/ES

23 Jan. 1946

SUBJECT: Italian Government Grain Procurement

TO : M.M.I.A. (Attn. Major Nelson)

1. In response to your inquiry of yesterday you are now informed of the following arrivals and shipments of wheat, which is the property of the Italian Government:

<u>YT Procurement</u>	<u>Tonnages in round Figs.</u>
Wheat arrived . . . . .	49,000
Wheat on high seas . . . . .	14,000

2. Additionally you are informed that the Italian Government is procuring 90,000 tons of flour from its own (YT) funds. The date of arrival for this is uncertain.

3. The Chief Commissioner is making representations to the Prime Minister suggesting that he set aside adequate quantities from the arrivals and from indigenous stocks to insure wheat/flour for the repayment of past loans and for future requirements for the Italian Army. He will ask for a response to this suggestion.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

*Charles W. Walton*  
CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel, AC  
Chief, Supply Group

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

MMIA ✓  
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K.N. 181

Ref. TS/100/B/ES

17 January 1946

SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian Interim Force

TO : Executive Commissioner

Q/R/ACC

511 17/1/46

1. Reference your 3251/EC of 8 January 1946 requesting the comments of this Section on Land Forces Sub-Commission letter Q/1-115 of 7 January 1946.

626 2. The following comments are presented:

(a) although no firm information as to specific import procurement and detailed shipping dates, etc., of subsistence items for the Italian Army has been received by this Section, the following is known:

(1) of the 91,500 tons of flour still to be shipped in the Italian Government program (on YT requisitions), 22,000 tons have been procured for use by the Italian Army; ?

(2) of this total of 91,500 tons, shipments amounting to 40,000 tons are expected to commence late in January for February arrival.

(b) Washington has been asked to furnish more detailed information on the status of this 22,000 tons flour procurement. (see MOC 469 of 16 January 1946, copy attached.)

(c) in the light of the above information, this office recommends that flour requirements for the month of February (and, if possible, March) be made available from military stocks:

(1) neither present indigenous stocks nor imported supplies can furnish this requirement without immediate impairment of the civilian supply;

(2) as is shown above, the Italian Government army-procurement program cannot, as yet, meet the immediate flour requirement for February.

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see 626

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(d) It is agreed, however, that strong action must be taken in the special import program for the Italian armed forces. In a separate letter it is being proposed that the Chief Commissioner take this matter up with the Prime Minister to form a basis for discussions between Allied Commission and Italian Government's agencies.

~~Harlan~~ Cleveland

HARLAN CLEVELAND  
Acting Vice President

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COULING MEMORANDUM  
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

FRN 181

16 January 1946

FROM :

TO : FOR ACTION AGAIN FOR US FOR CC.C FOR CLAC AND  
MEMOR (LONDON) FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT AND AFHQ  
FOR PRESS FROM HQ AFHQ

Ref. No. : 296

Confidential

This is MCC 469.

Subject is status of procurement of flour for Italian army.

1. Info received here by memo of 22 December 1946 drafted by Luzzatto of RL. to Mr. Keeny of UNHQA that of the 25,000 tons flour still to be shipped in Italian Government program (IT requisition) 22,000 tons have been procured for use by Italian army.

2. Urgent that we receive positive information that the flour has been procured for Italian army from VI funds to confirm content of Luzzatto note, and similar telephone indications.

3. Above confirmation urgent to enable Italian Government to give firm assurance to military that repayment in kind for stocks needed for February maintenance of army can be made from this procurement upon its arrival.

Precedence : PRIORITY

Office of origin : Economic Section Supply Group

Tel. No. : 586

Originator's Signature: OLLIVIERI, WALTER  
Colonel .C.

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ACTION DIRECTION : soon see 18  
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This is MOC 469.

Subject is status of procurement of flour for Italian army.  
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Tel. No. : 586  
Originator's Signature : CHARLES W. WILTON  
Colonel .C

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: Chief Commissioner  
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TRANSLATION

From: M.O.F.W.  
To: High Commissioner for Food

Ref: 1103/S/1  
Date: 14/1/46

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R/N 17/1

For information to M.M.I.A. - 625

Further to letter 24855/S/1 dated 28/12/45 and subsequent verbal request kindly order the immediate assignment of 3000 tons of flour required for the feeding of the army during the month of February. If the flour from Allied sources is not available, it is necessary to assign at least 1.200 tons sifting laid down for pasta making. Repeat that measures for the assignment of flour is very urgent, missing otherwise the possibility to ensure February supply with foreseen serious regrettable consequences.-

R. ERNERA. Cpl

(Sgd) Col. Fissicaro

see 625 R/17/1/46  
JW

J. R. A. C. S.

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SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian Interim Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M I  
Q/1-114  
12 January 1946

TO : Minister for War

Further to our Q/1-111 of 18 Dec 45 as amended by  
Q/1-112 of 27 Dec 45 and our signal Q-762 of 8 Jan 46.

1. QM, PBS has released following quantities of foodstuffs  
to the Italian Army for February and March maintenance:

COMMODITY	QUANTITY
Hash, Meat and Vegetable	755,600 net lbs
Bacon	638,000 " "
Chile Con Carne	753,000 " "
Sausage, Vienna	190,000 " "
Corned Beef	198,000 " "
Coffee, Soluble	104,500 metric tons (net)
Coffee Beans, (Green)	261,8118.75 " "

2. Preserved meat and coffee referred to in para 1 above  
represent balance stock serials c and d respectively, Appendix 'A'  
to our ltr Q/1-111 of 18 Dec 45.

3. Coffee, soluble will be issued to troops at 50% autho-  
rized ration, i.e., 1/2 oz in lieu of 1/2 oz.

4. All items are being released from QM Depot, PBS, Leg-  
horn to Italian Army Food Depot Leghorn.

*K. Robert Nelson*

K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
For Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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Coffee Beans, (green)	26,118.75 "

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*R. Robert Nelson*  
 R. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
 for Major General  
 M. M. I. A.

KHW/ri

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- " " Q(Maint), GHQ, GMP
- " " DST, GHQ, GMP
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- Ministry of Food, Rome
- Ministry of Reconstruction, Rome

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*See Q/D for Feb 46*  
*see file 13-1*  
*see file 6-1*

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TRANSLATION

From: M.of.W. *Phetis*  
To: Alimentation High Commissariat

Ref: 345/S/1  
Date: 0/1/46

*KR 11/1*

For information to M.M.I.A.

Ref Q/1-111 <sup>620</sup> dated December 10th and Aliment tion sub-Commission (A.C) M.M.I.A. has informed us that:Naples Federal Consorzi must consign 230 tons of dry vegetables and not repeat not 128 as stated in letter Q/1-111. Kindly carry out the assignment of the 102 tons of dry vegetables.

R. EKRENA.CPI

(Sgd) Col. FISSICARO

*See 620*

*Gen R  
10/1/46*

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TRANSLATION

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FROM : MINISTRY OF WAR  
 TO : EMIA (Ref. 0/1-111 of 18/12/45)  
 REF : 25310/S/1

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KRN 81

5 Jan 46

& for information :

Allied Commission (Economic Section, Food Sub-Commission) - R o m e

SUBJECT : Supplying Transition Army

With letter A/GAR/3/10197 of 27 December 1945 the Alto Commissariato per l'Alimentazione (High Food Commissariat) communicated not to be in a position to provide the assignment of the remnants of 6000 quintals of flour necessary to cover the requirements of the current month of January and asked the A.C. to take action.-

We beg this Sub-Commission to intervene by the competent organizations keeping into account the urgency of the assignment in question because the flour is needed to cover the requirements of the current month of January.

/sgd/ P. THE MINISTER

PELLIGRA

Ale 620 627

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TRANSLATION

## FOOD MINISTRY

N° A/GAR/3/10197

27 Dec 45  
KRN/81TO : A.C. Food Sub-Commission - R o m eFOR INFO: WAR MINISTRY- Gen.Direct. COMI. - R o m eSUBJECT : Supplying flour - Italian Army - Month of January

- 1) This A.C. advanced 3.000 tons of flour for the providing of the Italian Army for the month of January 1946.
- 2) Based on the figures given previously the Italian Army needs 3.600 tons
- 3) This Commissariat awaiting the realization of the importations of the necessary contingents for the Italian Army is not in a position to advance the 600 tons of flour not assigned by this A.C.
- 4) We beg this A.C. to give order for the advance of 600 tons of flour for the providing in question.
- 5) We are awaiting your answer.

/sgd/ f. THE DIRECTOR



Tel: 489081

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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43-4/FOOD

5 January, 1946

KPN 1/1

SUBJECT: Supply of flour to the Italian Army for January.

TO : Alto Commissariato per l'Alimentazione.

1. Reference your letter GAR/3/10197 of 27 December, 1945.

2. Your statement that A.C. has "advanced to the Italian Army" 3,000 tons of flour for the month of January is not understood. The position is made quite clear in letter of Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA) 0/1/111 of 18 December, 1945. From this you will see that this quantity of flour has been loaned to the Italian Government from Allied Military stocks, in agreement with A.C.

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3. A.C. has, of course, no stocks of flour to "give" or to "lend" to the Italian Army. It would therefore appear that the balance required for January will necessarily have to come out of stocks imported under the FEA Transitional Supply Programme for the last quarter of 1945, and be subsequently replaced when the subsistence requirements for the Italian Army (as from 1 December, 1945) be paid for out of YF funds, have actually been received in Italy.

W. J. LEGG

W. J. LEGG,  
Director

Copy to:  
Economic Section (Supply Group)  
Land Forces S/C. (MMIA)

R/W 8/1/46  
All 620 628 (X)

SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian Interim Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
2/1-113  
7 January 1946

TO : Chief Commissioner,  
Allied Commission.

1. A serious situation has arisen with regard to procurement of subsistence for the Italian Interim Army, especially the basic item of flour.

2. The requirement of flour for the Italian Interim Army is 3465 metric tons monthly. December and January requirements have been met on a basis of a loan, for repayment in kind, from Allied Military stocks.

3. The full position of procurement of foodstuffs is included in our letter, 2/1-111 of 18 Dec. 45, copy of which is attached.

4. Conference with the Economic Section and Food and Agriculture Sub Commission has indicated the following:

a. Cables have been exchanged between the Italian Government and its Technical Mission in Washington concerning additional imports to meet requirements of the Italian Interim Army. As yet no firm decision has been given as to whether foodstuffs have been purchased or what arrangements that have been made for importation to Italy.

b. Pessimism has been expressed concerning future import arrivals of flour for the civil population.

5. We have been advised by AFHQ that no more flour can be expected from Allied Military stocks for the Italian Interim Army. As stated in para. 2 above, requirements of flour for December and January must be repaid to Allied Military stocks.

6. The effect on the Italian Army will be demoralizing if supply of subsistence is not stabilized. The Ministry of War has expressed grave concern about this matter and fear that deterioration of the Army will result if subsistence is not assured.

7. Possible solutions are as follows:

a. Make flour requirements available for Italian Army from civil stocks now in the country with the probable reduction of flour ration for civil population.

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b. make flour requirements available from Allied Military stocks,

c. strong action be taken for a special import program to meet requirements of the Italian Army.

8. An early decision is requested inasmuch as flour stock is sufficient only until later part of January.

*L. Brown*

Major General  
M. M. I. A.

*620*  
*See*

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- Copy to: AFHQ
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  - " C-4, MTOUSA
  - " Chief OM MTOUSA
  - " DST, GHQ, CMT
  - Minister for War

SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian Interim Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. E. I. A.) P.C.H.E.  
Q/1-111  
18 December 1945

TO: Minister for War

- 1. Statement of sources of foodstuffs for maintenance of Italian Interim Army may be found in Appendix III, this letter.
- 2. For items being received from Allied Military sources; i.e., British H.Q. (M.E.), etc., of M.E. (M.E.), Acceptance Notes, MIA Form ST/3 will be prepared in the normal manner and original copy forwarded to this headquarters.
- 3. Arrangements for accounting concerning items released through the Ministry of Food will be between the respective Ministries.
- 4. It will be noted that flows and vegetables dried released from British sources will be received in kind from imports by 30 April 1946.
- 5. You are reminded to liaise with the Ministries of Food and Reconstruction concerning repayment of foodstuffs by 31 Jan. 46 procured on loan from Allied military stocks for maintenance, Dec. 45. Our letter Q/1-105 of 23 Nov. 45 refers.
- 6. Previous correspondence, not to all, on this subject is as follows:
  - a. Ltr. HQHQ ref 46 091.711 G(SD)-0 dated 2 Nov. 45.
  - b. " " ref 106, Q/1-104 of 20 Nov. 45.
  - c. " " HQ L.C.G. Economic Section, ref ES/7.08 of 23 Nov. 45.
  - d. " " Food & Ag. Sub Comm., ref 13-1/Food of 27 Nov. 45.
  - e. " " Ministry of Food, ref 10393/AM/VII of 3 Dec. 45.
  - f. " " HQ L.C.G. Economic Section, ref 7.08/ES of 7 Dec. 45.
  - g. " " " " 7.08/ES " 7 Dec. 45.
  - h. " " HQHQ ref 46 11-108 of 12 Dec. 45.
  - i. " " " " Q/1-109 of 14 Dec. 45.
  - j. Comd. HQHQ ref 6 47119 of 15 Dec. 45.
  - k. " " HQHQ ref 6-725 of 27 Dec. 45.
  - l. " " " " Q/5-116 of 17 Dec. 45.

*K.P. Kelly*

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6. Enclosed correspondence, not to all, on this subject is as follows:

- a. Gen. AMU ref to 001.711 G(SD)-0 dated 2 Nov. 45.
- b. " " " " 0/1-104 of 20 Nov. 45.
- c. " " " " EC E.C. Economic Section, ref R3/7.08 of 23 Nov. 45.
- d. " " " " Food & Agr. Sub-Comm., ref 13-1/Food of 27 Nov. 45.
- e. " " " " Ministry of Food, ref 10293/240/VII of 5 Dec. 45.
- f. " " " " HQ A.C., Economic Section, ref 7.08/23 of 7 Dec. 45.
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*K. H. Thakur*  
Major General  
HQ Army, India

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SERIAL	COMMODITY	SOURCE	PROCUREMENT	QUANTITY (Metric tons)	MAINTENANCE	AUTHORITY
a	Flour (including Macaroni)	DSP, CIA, CMT (Br.)	Repayment in kind by 10 Apr 46	3000	Jan. 46	AFHQ Cable C-47119 15 Dec. 45
b	Vegetables, dried	"	"	388	" "	" "
c	Preserved Meat/Fish	QA, PBS, (U.S.)	Payment against Troop Pay Acct	1725	Jan, Feb, March 1946	" "
d	Coffee	"	" "	1205	" "	" "
e	Sugar	"	" "	190	Jan. 46	" "
f	"	Civil Imports	Ministry of Food	330	Feb. Mar 46	Ltrs. HQ AC, Econ. Sec 7, 08/45, 7 Dec, & Food & Agr. S/C ref 13-4/Wood, 27 Nov. 45
g	Vegetables, dried	"	"	775	" "	" " " "
h	Rice	Local Indigenous Resources	"	760	Jan. thru Apr. 46.	" " "

Appendix A  
to Ltr. 5/1-44  
Subj. "Subsistence -  
Italian Interim Agt"  
dated 18 Dec. 1944  
(ii)

(d) PROCUREMENT	(e) QUANTITIES (Metric tons)	(f) MAINTENANCE	(g) AUTHORITY	(h) REMARKS
Repayment in Kind by 30 Apr 46	3000	Jan. 46	AFHQ Cable C-47119 15 Dec. 45	Available Ex British Army Depots Mestre 1000, Naples 900, Ancona 600, Bari 500, All M/tons.
"	388	" "	" "	Available Ex British Army Depots Mestre 130, Naples 110, Ancona 70, Bari 78, All M/tons.
Payment against Troup Pay Acc't	1725	Jan, Feb, March 1946	" "	Available Ex U.S. Depot, Leghorn 575 M/tons, Balance Available Later Date.
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"	190	Jan. 46	" "	Avail. Ex U.S. Depot, Naples 190 M/tons
Ministry of Food	380	Feb. Mar 46	Ltrs. HQ AG, Econ. Sec 7.08/ES, 7 Dec, & Food & Agr. S/C ref 43-1/food, 27 Nov. 45	Avail. Ex Federazione Warehouses Milan 82, Mestre 51, Ancona 20, Leghorn 44, Naples 114, Bari 62,
"	775	" "	" " " "	Avail. Ex Federazione Depots Milan 167, Ancona 40, Naples 230, Mestre 110, Leghorn 100, Bari 128 All M/tons
"	760	Jan. thru Apr. 46.	" " "	Ex Local Production North Italy (Ministry of Food)

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
SERIAL	COMMODITY	SOURCE	PROCUREMENT	QUANTITY (Metric tons)	DATE/PERIOD	AUTHORITY
i	Cheese	Local Indigenous Runcaroon	Ministry of Food	760	Jan. 1951 Apr. 56.	ITSA, HQ AG, Econ. Sec 7.00/50, 7 Dec. & Food & Agr. S/C 201 45-4/food, 27 Nov. 45
j	Tomato Paste	"	"	500	" "	" " "
k	Pepper	-----	-----	NIL	-----	-----

\* 25% will be added if Coffee, Green Beans released.



(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
PROCUREMENT	QUANTITY (Metric ton)	PERIOD	ADMINISTRATIVE	REMARKS
Ministry of Food	700	Jan. thru Apr. 64.	Admin. by AG, Econ. Sec. 7.00/MT, 7 Dec. & Food & Agr. & C. 1964 12-1/2 Food, 27 Nov. 65	Ex Local Production, North Italy (Ministry of Food)
"	500	" "	" " "	Ex Local Production, North Italy (Ministry of Food)
-----	MTL	-----	-----	-----

Coffee, Green Beans released.

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TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

TO: Food Ministry  
MMA for info.

REF: 24855/S/1

DATE: 28.12.45

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SUBJECT: Army food requirements for the period  
1st. Jan; to 30th. April 1946 *see 620 624*

The following foodstuffs have been granted for the rationing  
of the Army for the period 1st. January - 30th. April 1946 (MMA letter  
Q1-111 of 16.12.45.)

*620 624*

*631*

Foodstuff	Source	Pay	Quantity in metric tons	Rationed period	NOTES
Flour (for pasta also)	MMA	Repaid in kind by 30.4.	5000	January 1946	
vegetables	"	"	388	"	"
meat and fish	"	Deducted from troops pay	1725	Jan., Feb., and March 1946	(The quantity for January has been granted)
Coffee	"	"	285 (1)	"	"
Sugar	"	"	190	January 1946	"
Sugar	Civ:	"	380	February - March	(Available at Co-op. Stores Milan 82 Mestre 54 Ancona 20)

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Coffee	"	"	285 (1)	"	"
Sugar	"	"	190	January 1946	
Sugar	Civ:	"	380	February - March	(Available at Co-op. Stores Milan 82 Mestre 54 Ancona 20 Leghorn 48 Naples 114 Bari 62)
Vegetables	"	"	775	February - March	(Available at Co-op Stores. Milan 167 Ancona 40 Naples 230 Mestre 110 Leghorn 100 Bari 128)
Rice	It. Res.	"	760	January-April 46	
Cheese	"	"	760	"	

(1) In the case of raw coffee being issued, the quantity must be increased by 25% (In accordance with assignments already ordered by the Food Ministry)

In respect of the tomato paste, this Ministry, in accordance with agreements reached with yours, is arranging for direct purchase on the market.

With the above mentioned issues, the rationing of the Italian Army (ITI-ITI category, including CC.RR) for the period in question shows the following shortages:

- 1) - flour : 6000 quintals short in January 46 and none for the following months of Feb., March, and April;
- 2) - meat or fish, coffee, sugar dried vegetables : none for April 46.

The Allied Authorities have also informed us that their stocks of flour do not permit of any further issues.

The supply of this foodstuff, for the period not covered, must, therefore, be effected by your Ministry.

The present stocks of this foodstuff, which do not ~~assure~~ assure the supply for the whole of January 46, the difficulties connected with transport, which can only be carried <sup>with</sup> an advance notice of at least 10 days, and the time required for pasta making, make it necessary that the assignment of the flour required, be made in such a way that it may be withdrawn by the 8th. January next for the planned February requirement of 36,000 quintals. It is essential that, for this period, your Ministry places flour and not grain at our disposal as we are unable, in view of the lack of time, to arrange for milling.

The March and April requirement, expected to be 72000 quintals of flour (including pasta requirement), should, in the event of it being necessary for your Ministry to place grain at our disposal,

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The March and April requirement, expected to be 72000 quintals of flour (including pasta requirement), should, in the event of it being necessary for your Ministry to place grain at our disposal, commence being issued early in the second half of January and we beg of you to issue instructions to this effect. We should be pleased, however, of the earliest possible advance notice in order to be able to arrange for milling.

In respect of the meat or fish, the coffee, the sugar, and dried vegetables, which have been assigned for the months of February and March, this Ministry will issue the necessary instructions to its own departments for the withdrawal of the quantities granted. Will your Ministry also kindly issue the necessary instructions to

your departments, informing us of same.

The April requirements of these foodstuffs must, on the other hand, be arranged for by your Ministry direct.

Will you, therefore, kindly order their assignment on the basis of the quantities referred to in your Ministry's letter 10393/ANR/VII of 3.12.45.

Will you kindly order that the issuing of the rice and cheese for the entire period 1 January to 30 April is carried out in the shortest time possible, avoiding the delay which occurred in the issuing of the December requirement, still effective in the case of the cheese which has still not been fully supplied.

MMIA has confirmed that the return of the foodstuffs (meat, fish and flour) which were loaned for consumption in December - this Ministry's letter 23382/S/1 of 3.12.45 - must be effected by the 31st January next.

We will inform you later of the quantities which have actually been issued.

The flour situation is particularly precarious; without the assignment of the required quantities in the time limits laid down above we shall be unable to guarantee the rationing of the Army.

We beg of your Ministry, then, - already acquainted with the delicate situation in respect of all supplies - to kindly issue, in agreement with the Ministry for Reconstruction, the necessary instructions to ensure the supply of the foodstuffs within the time limits laid down.

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Sgd. PELLIGRA  
Gen.

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SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian Interim Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R C M E  
Q/1-112  
27 December 1945

TO : Minister for War

*620*

Reference letter Q/1-111 of 18 Dec. 45.

1. Please make following amendments to Appendix 'A' of letter referred to above:

a. Serial a - column (h)

Delete : "Available Ex British Army Depots Mestre 1000, Naples 900, Ancona 600, Bari 500, All M/tons"

Substitute: "Available Ex British Army Depots Naples 1500 M/tons, Bari 1500 M/tons"

b. Serial b - column (h)

Delete : "Available Ex British Army Depots Mestre 130, Naples 110, Ancona 70, Bari 78, All M/tons"

Substitute: "Available Ex British Army Depots Naples 170 M/tons, Bari 218 M/tons"

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Delete : "Avail. Ex U.S. Depot, Naples 190 M/tons"

Substitute: "Avail. Ex U.S. Depots, Naples 187.5 M/tons, Leghorn 2.5 M/tons"

*Robert Nelson*  
R. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. W. I. A.

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OUTSTANDING MESSAGE / MIMIA / LANDFILL

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

TO: For action AGAINST FOR CCS FOR CCAC FOR CLAG Deptd WAROF (LONDON)  
FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT Deptd AFHQ FROM HQ ALCOM

Ref. No. 9452 Date: 20 December 1945 Precedence: PRIORITY

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Secret.  
This is MOC 415.

Reference FAW/621 of 29 Sept. 1945.

Subject is Subsistence Requirements Italian Interim Force.

1. Italian Government through Interministerial Committee for Reconstruction has agreed to use of IT Fund for purchase of subsistence requirements for Italian Interim Army and Carabinieri (Total 205,000) for period from December 1, 1945 to June 1, 1946. It is understood that action is being taken to block remainder of IT Fund necessary to cover this.

2. Basic monthly import requirements in metric tons for this Force are as follows:

- Flour 2,703
- Meat and Fish (Preserved) 540
- Macaroni (Flour equivalent) 560
- Vegetables (Dried) 360
- Sugar 180
- Coffee 90
- Pepper 0.9

3. It is understood here that erroneous amounts were transmitted by Italian Govt. to the Italian Technical Mission. We suggest that this information (which Italian Government has agreed) be transferred to the Mission for immediate consideration and procurement action with your help. Procurement at the earliest practicable moment is necessary for the maintenance of this Force as well as repayment in kind against loans made for the month of December and possible future loans.

4. Procurement of those items possible from indigenous stocks and surplus stocks within the Theater is being and will be made. Allied Force Headquarters informs following available from US surplus stock, for payment by IT Funds:

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Coffee	285 " " ✓
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2. Basic monthly import requirements in metric tons for this Force are as follows:

Flour	2,703
Meat and Fish (Preserved)	540
Maceroni (Flour equivalent)	560
Vegetables (Dried)	360
Sugar	180
Coffee	90
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Any further availabilities here will be notified you so that procurement by Mission can be correspondingly reduced.

5. For your further information it is understood that Italian Govt. is planning subsistence requirements for Interim Army as well as for Navy of 40,000 and Air Force of 31,000. Calculations for all three Forces planned on daily ration scale as submitted by Ministries, with a 10 percent increase for eventual losses. The Plan as submitted covers one year period plus a two month reserve.

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20 DEC 1946

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- 6. Italian Govt. has been requested to confirm Plan as final. When this is received it will be forwarded to you.
- 7. Question of financing and procurement for this general subsistence plan for all Forces is acute as YI Funds are insufficient to cover it and as indigenous stocks cannot meet it without impairment of existing civilian ration and surplus military stocks available are insufficient.
- 8. Your confirmation of receipt of this message and action taken thereon is requested.

Office of Origin: Economic Section

Tel. No. 460

Originator's Signature: (CHARLES W. WALTON, COL)  
Chief, Supply Group

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ACTION DIRECTION: Recon Sec 10  
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Ministry of Reconstruction  
Ministry of Food

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM : MILA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

INFO : G.H.Q. CMF - 14 CRASC - 22 CRASC  
9 BLU - 10 BLU

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UNCLASSIFIED (.) SUBJECT IS MAINTENANCE ITALIAN INTERIM ARMY (.)  
DST (CONVERSATION TYRELL/COTTON REFERS) HAS AGREED RELEASE TO  
10 ITALIAN BULK DEPOT NAPLES EX 14 CRASC (.) FLOUR ONE THOUSAND  
FIVE HUNDRED P.B.L. ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY AND TO 9 ITALIAN  
BULK FOOD DEPOT BARI EX 22 CRASC FLOUR ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED  
P.B.L. TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN (.) ALL FIGURES IN METRIC TONS

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AUTHENTICATION

W. H. ... Col/Lt. Col.

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA

20 1515 .A.

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

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FROM : MMIA  
 TO : PENEASE FOR QM  
 INFO : PENSOUTH FOR QM  
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 ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY  
 REF : Q 738

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REFERENCE MTOUSA CABLE C47358 OF 18 DEC AND CONFIRMING TELECON  
 SPERRY-NELSON THIS DATE (.) REQUEST FOLLOWING COMMODITIES IN  
 METRIC TONS INDICATED BE RELEASED NAPLES IN LIEU LEGHORN (.)  
 MEAT PRESERVED SEVEN ZERO COFFEE BEANS ONE SEVEN POINT FIVE (.)  
 FOR LEGHORN IN LIEU NAPLES SUGAR TWO POINT FIVE

see 619

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION

K. Robert Kelson

INTERNAL

ADST, MMIA





3. Arrangements for accounting concerning items released through the Ministry of Food will be between the respective Ministries.

4. It will be noted that flour and vegetables dried released from British sources will be repaid in kind from imports by 30 April 1946.

5. You are reminded to liaise with the Ministries of Food and Reconstruction concerning repayment of foodstuffs by 31 Jan. 46 procured on loan from allied military stocks for maintenance, etc. 45. Our letter Q/1-105 of 23 Nov. 45 refers.

6. Previous correspondence, not to all, on this subject is as follows:

- a. Ltr. AFHQ ref AG 091, VII C(SD)-0 dated 2 Nov. 45.
- b. " " this HQ, Q/1-104 of 29 Nov. 45.
- c. " " HQ A.C., Economic Section, ref ES/7.08 of 23 Nov. 45.
- d. " " " " Food & Agr. Sub Comm. ref 43-1/food of 27 Nov 45.
- e. " " Ministry of Food, ref 10393/ANR/VII of 3 Dec. 45.
- f. " " HQ L.S., Economic Section, ref 7.08/SS of 7 Dec. 45.
- g. " " " " " " 7.08/SS " 7 Dec. 45.
- h. " " this HQ, Q/1-108 of 12 Dec. 45.
- i. " " " " Q/1-109 of 14 Dec. 45.
- j. Cable AFHQ, ref Q 47119 of 15 Dec. 45.
- k. " " this HQ, ref Q-729 of 17 Dec. 45.
- l. Ltr. " " " " Q/1-110 of 17 Dec. 45.

*K. B. J. K. L. S.*  
K. ROBERT JEFFERSON, Major  
for Major General  
H. M. I. A.

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- AFHQ for G-4, WFOUSA
- " " Q (Maint), CHQ, OMF
- " " DGT, CHQ, CII
- CG, FAS, for GI
- Ministry of Food, Rome
- Ministry of Reconstruction, Rome

Interval: ABST, TIA

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
SERIAL	COMMODITY	SOURCE	PROCUREMENT	QUANTITY (Metric tons)	MAINTENANCE	AUTHORITY	
a	Flour (including Macaroni)	DST, CHQ, CMP (Br.)	Repayment in kind by 30 Apr 46	3000	Jan. 46 ✓	AFHQ Cable C-47119 15 Dec. 45	Avail Meat 600,
b	Vegetables, dried	"	"	588	" " <i>month April</i>	" "	Avail Meat Bari
c	Preserved Meat/ Fish	GM, PBS, (U.S.)	Payment against Troop Pay Acc't	1725	Jan, Feb, March 1946 <i>April - September</i>	" "	Avail 575 Late
d	Coffee	"	" "	1285	" " <i>April</i>	" "	Avail 95
e	Sugar	"	" "	190	Jan. 46 <i>April</i>	" "	Avail H/ta
f	"	Civil Imports	Ministry of Food	300	Feb. Mar 46 <i>April</i>	Ltr. HQ 40, Econ. Sec 7.08/ES, 7 Dec, & Food & Agr. S/C ref 43-1/food, 27 Nov. 45	Avail MIL Leg
g	Vegetables, dried	"	"	715	" "	" " " "	Avail MIL Mos ALL
h	Rice	Local Indi- genous Re- sources	"	760	Jan. thru Apr. 46.	" " "	Ex (MIL)

Appendix 'A'  
to Ltr. 0/1-111  
Subj. "Subsistence -  
Italian Interim Army"  
dated 18 Dec. 1945  
(h)

(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
ACQUISITION	QUANTITY (Metric tons)	MAINTENANCE	AUTHORITY	REMARKS
Payment in aid by 30 Apr 46	3000	Jan. 46 ✓	AFHQ Cable C-17119 15 Dec. 45	Available Ex British Army Depots Mestre 1000, Naples 900, Ancona 600, Bari 500, All M/tons
"	288	" " Mestre depot	" "	Available Ex British Army Depots Mestre 150, Naples 110, Ancona 70, Bari 78, All M/tons
Payment against Corp Pay Acc't	1725	Jan, Feb, March 1946 Leghorn - Leghorn	" "	Available Ex U.S. Depot, Leghorn 575 M/tons, Balance Available Later Date. ✓
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Ministry of Food	380	Feb. Mar 46 64	Ltrs. HQ AC, Econ. Sec 7.06/ES, 7 Dec, 2 Food & Agr. S/C ref 43-4/Food, 27 Nov. 45	Avail. Ex Federazione Warehouses Milan 82, Mestre 54, Ancona 20, Leghorn 48, Naples 114, Bari 62;
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SERIAL	COMMODITY	SOURCE	PROCUREMENT	QUANTITY (Metric tons)	MAINTENANCE	AUTHORITY
i	Cheese	Local Indigenous Resources	Ministry of Food	700	Jan. thru Apr. 46.	Ltr. HQ IG, Econ. Sec 7.01/25, 7 Dec, & Food & Ag. 5/12 ref 43-14/food, 27 Nov. 45
j	Tomato Paste	"	"	570	" <i>incl. Dairy</i>	" " "
k	Pepper	-----	-----	NIL	-----	-----

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Almond

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
AGREEMENT	QUANTITY (Metric tons)	DISTRIBUTION	AUTHORITY	REMARKS
Ministry of Food	700	Jan. thru Apr. 46.	Ltrs. HQ AC, Econ. Sec 7-10/45, 7 Dec, & Food & Agr. S/O ref 13-1/4/46, 27 Mar. 45	In Local Production North Italy (Ministry of Food)
"	300	" " " " <i>with Army</i>	" " " "	In Local Production South Italy (Ministry of Food)
-----	NIL	-----	-----	-----

Green Beans released.

*1/4/46*

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# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

*L. Force*

Originator's Reference: **047358**  
 Date/Time of Origin: **DEC 17 1559A**

Message Centre No: **G/5772**  
 Date Time Rec'd: **DEC 18 1015A**

FROM: **MPOUSA**  
 TO : ACTION: **PBS** INFO: **PENSOUTH, ALCOM**

Precedence: **ROUTINE**

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See letter, Land Forces Sub-Commission, Q/1-108, 12 December 1945.

Authorised for release from U S surplus military stocks to cover one month requirements for Italian (Interim) Army are following items, all quantities expressed net r  
 Wash, meat and vegetables 1,167,875. Preserved fish 100,000. Coffee (green bean) 26  
 Sugar 18,950.

Point of delivery for sugar, Quartermaster Depot, Pensouth, all other items at Quartermaster Depot, Leghorn. Transfer to be made on priced shipping tickets forwarded to Allied Commission and monetary reimbursement effected from dollar credits from the troops pay account as indicated by Ministry of Reconstruction. IMIA is responsible for accounting for all amounts handed over.

INFO - ACTION

DISTRIBUTION

INFO ACTION: LAND FORCES S/C

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APO 394

FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB COMMISSION

43-4/FOOD

DEC 15 1945

SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian (Interim) Army  
TO: Milan Representative, Food & Agric. S/C  
Ministry of Food.

D/Re.A  
KR. 11/2

1. further to this office 43-4/food of 27 Nov 45.
2. Ministry of War has requested that quantities of items, as listed below, be made available at following locations:

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Naples	114	230 "
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The above represents two months supply.

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Naples	114	230

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*J. Merritt*  
 JAMES M. MERRITT  
 Director.

Distribution

Economic Section (Supply Group)  
 Land Forces S/C (MMIA). - Your 41-109 of 14 Dec refers.  
 Transportation S/C (Ports & Warehouses Div)  
 Federconsorzi, Rome  
 Federation Warehouse, (Alcom Depot), Ancona  
 " " Depot 12L50 Bari  
 " " Depot 676 Naples  
 " " Alcom Depot Venice  
 Federation Whse, Genoa

*J. Merritt*

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Requisition Branch			
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

13627/F/A

14 December 1945

SUBJECT : Cut-off date Combined Civil Affairs Supplies.

TO : Distribution - see below.

1. Notification has been received from the War Department, Washington, to the War Office, London, that the date of 30 November 1945, has been established as the closing date after which no further issues will be made to Italy (excepting Venezia Giulia and the Province of Udine) of supplies procured and shipped under Combined Civil Affairs Supply Programs and of Combined Civil Affairs issues from the United States or United Kingdom Army stocks. *(K) KRN 2/12*
2. All stocks of Combined Civil Affairs supplies, whether imported or drawn from Armies, not handed over to the Italian Government at the cut-off date can only be disposed of to the Italian Government from OFLC or the British Ministry of Supply. All such stocks will be reported to the Chief Accountant, Allied Supply Accounting Agency, who will issue instructions for their disposal.
3. Effective from the 30 November, no department of Allied Commission will procure any issues from military stocks for civil use. Such procurements can only be made through OFLC or the British Ministry of Supply and Instructions are being issued to all Army Depots that no civilian issues are to be made other than through these agencies. Furthermore, no issues to the Italian civil economy will be made by Allied Commission of stocks on hand other than through the agencies named above.
4. If it is considered that issues of Combined Civil Affairs supplies are necessary and justified, the circumstances will be reported through the normal channels to the Combined Civil Affairs Committee for consideration and approval.
5. In any event issues of Combined Civil Affairs supplies are not authorized except in cases of requirements approved and authorized for issues by CCAC.
6. It has been notified that certain Combined Civil Affairs supplies on previous requisitions will be arriving in Italy after the cut-off date. These supplies will remain the property of the supplying nation and will be

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disposed of by OFLC or the British Ministry of Supply. Requisition Branch will be responsible for notifying OFLC, the Ministry of Supply, War Shipping Administration, MWT, Federazione dei Censorzi Agrari and ICE of the specific cargoes when they are notified and will issue instructions to all concerned for their disposal.

7. Any points in question will be referred to the Chief Accountant, Allied Supply Accounting Agency, for decision.

HARLAN CLEVELAND  
Acting Vice President  
Economic Section

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TRANSLATION  
From : M of War  
To : Addressees & Copies to MIA and addressees  
Ref : 23652/S/1  
Dtd : 7 Dec 45

Subject : Fortnightly periods for the distribution of food rations.

This Ministry, on account of the new procedure under which the supplying of food rations will be made, and in variation of the regulations at present in force, orders that the fortnightly periods for which the distribution of rations must be made shall run as follows:-

- 1st fortnightly period : from the 1st to the 15th of each month ;
- 2nd " " : " " 16th " " last day of each month.

Owing to the above-mentioned variations in the periods:

1) Instructions issued in circuler No. 15794/S/1 dtd 24 Aug 45, and concerning regulations for the drawing of rations, must be <sup>amended</sup> ~~revised~~;

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With these instructions, we intend to ensure that before the 30th or 31st of December 1945, no ration distribution stores may issue to units of the Italian Army belonging to ITI-ITI categories (and including the CC.RR), foodstuffs for consumption on or after the 1st of January 1946.

Careful and scrupulous attention must be given to the above-mentioned regulations.

The Military Commissariat Directorates will be held responsible for the application of these regulations.

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- up to the 20 December, for the period 6 to 20;  
- up to the 31 December, for the period 21 to 31.

These must arrive at the Reports Office of this Ministry by the fourth day after the closure of the period.  
5) Telegraphic communications of the remainders in foodstuffs indicating the number of days of autosufficiency must be made out up to the new dates, and must arrive by the third day after the closure of each period.

We beg you to confirm.  
B/S/...  
*[Handwritten signature]*  
For the Minister,  
Sgd. Pelligrè.

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SUBJECT: Economy of Subsistence

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. H. I. A.) R O M E  
Q/L-110  
17 December 1945

TO : Minister for War

1. Requirements of foodstuffs for the Italian Interim Army have been met for the month of January, with the exception of 450 tons of flour.

2. As advised in my Directive No. 1 of 8 Nov. 45 subsistence for the Italian Interim Army is an Italian Government responsibility. Procurement of requirements is to be effected through Italian indigenous resources and from importation. The Allied Military Headquarters could not promise to make any subsistence available after 1 January 1946.

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b. A double issue to the Italian Interim Army for Christmas will obviously prejudice future provision, particularly in regard to the basic item of flour. Economy in December will assist in meeting the January deficit.

8. No assurance can be obtained for procuring requirements of flour in February and March. It is, therefore, essential that you conserve existing stocks for future requirements in view of the world food shortage.

9. My staff will assist you in every way possible in the procurement of subsistence; however, it is incumbent upon you to exercise strictest economy in regard to subsistence made available to you.

*L. Browning*

MAJOR GENERAL  
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: List "B"  
 HQ Allied Commission for Chief Commissioner  
 " " " " Economic Section  
 " " " " Food & Agriculture Sub Commission  
 " " " " Navy Sub Commission  
 " " " " Air Forces Sub Commission  
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 " " O(Maint), GHQ, CMT

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FROM: AFHQ from Q(Maint) GHQ CMF Dec. 15 1943A  
 TO : MMIA  
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QVR 1  
FROM AFHQ 151043A  
TO MMIA  
INFO TO PEBASE PENSOUTH ALCON  
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MACARONI (..) AGREED ON-TOUSA  
BT

SENT NR 139 EM DB

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FROM AFHQ 151945A  
TO NMTA  
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SIGNALS

UNCLASSIFIED FROM COMINT) GHO ONE (.)  
ONE (.) YOUR 0721 OF 11 DEC REQUESTED DOUBLE ISSUE RATIONS PROVIDED  
FROM ALLIED SOURCES FOR CERTAIN CATEGORIES ITALIAN ARMED FORCES (.)  
TWO (.) BUREAU CANNOT AGREE TO ANY ADDITIONAL L ISSUES FROM ALLIED SOURCES  
BECAUSE  
(A) WORLD FOOD SHORTAGE  
(B) NO ADDITIONAL ISSUES BEING MADE TO BRITISH OR US TROOPS OVER CHRISTMAS  
THREE (.) WILL HOWEVER MAKE AVAILABLE WHERE PRACTICABLE WITHOUT DETRIMENT  
TO ALLIED REQUIREMENT SEASONAL FARE AS ALTERNATIVES WITHIN AUTHORIZED  
SCALE (.) AGREED NTUSA

BT  
SENT NR 133 EM BBH

*Ad 2750  
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43/4/FOOD of 15 Dec 45

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SUBJECT: Subsistence Italian (Interin) Army

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R G M K  
G/1-109  
14 December 1945TO : HQ Allied Commission,  
for - Economic Section,  
" - Food & Agriculture Sub-Commission,

Ref. letter 7.98/606 of 7 Dec. 45.

1. Ministry of War has requested allocation of Sugar and Vegetables, Dried, referred to in para 3, your a/m letter, be made available as follows:

	<u>SUGAR</u>	<u>VEGETABLES, DRIED</u>
MILAN	52 M. tons	167 M. tons
MESTRE	54 " "	110 " "
ANCONA	20 " "	40 " "
LEGHORN	48 " "	100 " "
NAPLES	114 " "	230 " "
BARI	62 " "	128 " "
TOTAL	380 " "	775 " "

2. Above represents two month's supply.
3. Request that this HQ be advised concerning the actual allocations.

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KRN  
K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: Ministry of War  
Internal: ADST, AMIA

Locations  
Amounts defined for ju-ops

↑ Rice & cheese

From 11/11/71

- 380 T Sugar

- 775 T Veg Dices

1000  
960



Ext. 262

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
AFO 394  
Economic Section

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Ref. 7.08/ES

7 December 1945

SUBJECT: Subsistence Italian (Interim) Army

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC

1. Reference your Q/1-104 of 20 November 1945.

2. In answer to paragraph 2 (a) of your letter:

(a) The following can be made available ex local production in North Italy in the period 1 January - 30 April 1946:

Rice	760 metric tons
Cheese	760 " "

(b) The Ministry of Food has been asked to state whether 380 tons of tomato paste could be made available ex local production in Southern Italy. You will be informed when the information is at hand.

3. In answer to paragraph 2 (b) of your letter, the following can be made available on loan for the same period out of imported stocks held in Federazione warehouses but not yet assigned to Italian Government:

Sugar	380 metric tons
Dried Vegetables	775 " "

4. The remaining items (Flour, Macaroni, Coffee, Preserved Meat and Fish and Pepper) as well as the balance of the Sugar and Dried Vegetable requirements will have to be procured from additional imports or from purchases from Allied Surplus Disposal agencies.

5. In reference to paragraph 2 (c) of your letter, this office has written the Italian Government for confirmation of use of YF funds for the financing of procurement (from civil imports) of the subsistence requirements for the interim force. (See our ES/7.08 of 23 November 1945, copy to you.) To date no answer has been received.

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6. We are writing the Italian Government advising them of the possibility of partial procurement of these items from Allied Surplus agencies, and urging reply to our letter of 23 November 1945.

7. Upon final confirmation we shall immediately inform you, so that this matter may be completed.

*Charles W. Walton*  
CHARLES W. WALTON  
Colonel, AC  
Chief, Supply Group

Ext/ 761

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
Food & Agriculture Sub-Commission

43-4/Food

27 November 1945

SUBJECT: Subsistence Italian (Interim) Army

TO : Economic Section (Supply Division)

1. Reference Land Forces Sub-Commission letter Q/1-104 of 20 November 1945, addressed to you and this Sub-Commission.
2. The quantities of rice (760 metric tons) and cheese (760 tons) can be made available ex local production in Northern Italy in the period 1 Jan.-30 April 1946. Instruction to block these quantities will be issued to the appropriate agencies in Northern Italy.
3. Ministry of Food being requested to state whether 380 tons tomato paste could be made available ex local production in Southern Italy during the same period.
4. 380 tons sugar and 775 tons dried vegetables can be made available for the same period out of imported stocks held in FederConsozri Warehouse but not yet assigned to Italian Government. The balance of sugar and dried vegetables requirement will have to be found from additional imports or purchases from Allied Surplus Disposal Agencies.

*J. M. Merritt*  
JAMES M. MERRITT  
Director

Distribution

Food Sub-Commission - Milan Office - For action as in para 2  
Please report where quantities blocked are located.  
Monthly quantities required are as follows : Rice 190 tons  
Cheese 190 tons  
Ministry of Food, Rome - Please answer query in para 3.  
Commissario Interregionale Alimentazione per l'Alta Italia  
M.M.I.A.

S &amp; T, MMIA.

Recd DEC 6 1945

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## ECONOMIC SECTION

Date

8/12/45

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		G-1 (b)	
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Requisition Br.			
Surplus & Sp. Mat. Br.			
Captured Enemy Mat. Br.		ATTENTION OF:	
Food & Agr. S/C		Major Nelson ✓	
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Economic Section

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*Ref. ES/708*

23 November 1948

My Dear Professor:

I am informed that with the return of the Italian Army to the Italian Government the furnishing of food for the army became the responsibility of the Italian Government. As you are doubtless aware, a large portion of that responsibility has been borne by the Allied military organizations. The provisioning for the Army (140,000) and the Carabinieri (80,000) will require furnishing both indigenous and imported foods.

For the indigenous foods it is assumed that your government will make its own arrangements. For the imported foods the Allied Commission has prepared a table of requirements and will be glad to transmit a requisition for the supplies upon receipt of appropriate concurrence from you, coupled with instructions to the Italian Technical Mission, Washington.

The following table shows the monthly requirements for imported supplies:

MONTHLY REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPORTED FOODS  
FOR THE  
ITALIAN ARMY AND THE CARABINIERI

Item	Native Scale (daily)	Quantities (M. tons)	Estimated Total Cost (\$)
FLOUR	15 GR	3700	830,817
MEAT & FISH preserved	5 GR	540	297,941
MACARONI (flour equivalent)	3 GR	860	49,358
VEGETABLES dried	2 GR	360	65,899
SUGAR	1 GR	180	33,341
COFFEE	1/2 GR	90	53,339
TEA	1/200	.90	47
			1,820,702

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2 - mmie monthly requirements (to ProfessorRuini)

For policy reasons, related to the basis on which appropriations were made, it is not possible to use either YB funds (FEA \$100,000,000) or UNRRA funds for the purchase of supplies for the Italian Army. Therefore, it is necessary for the Italian Government to make appropriate provision for imports from funds available to that Government, i.e. the Troop Pay Account, or post liberation accounts in the supplying countries.

I suggest that the Italian Government make this provision from 1 December 1945, and extend the period over such number of months in 1946 as may be decided by you. Provisioning from 1 December 1945 will permit the repayment of certain loans of food from Allied sources which were authorized for the period 1 December - 31 December. Such provision will obviate the necessity for subsequent curtailment of Italian Army rations to meet the demands for repayment.

It will be appreciated if you will confirm to this Headquarters that suitable instructions have been given to the Italian Technical Mission in Washington, direction the expenditures from the Troop Pay Account or other available funds for the purchase of the commodities to provide for such period as you may decide upon.

C.C. Chief Com. (Thru to Com.)  
 MMIF  
 Food & Ag. Sec.  
 FEA, Washington D.C.  
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 Professor Francesco Ruini  
 Ministry of Reconstruction  
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Sincerely Yours

(signed)

HARLAN CLEVELAND  
 Acting Vice President

TRANSLATIONCOPY

FROM : Ministry of Food

TO : -Ministry of Reconstruction (action)  
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-Economic Section, A.C. (info)

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ES FILE: 7.08

THIS FILE : n. 10393/ANR/VII

SUBJECT : Plan for the supply of  
Italian Armed Forces for 1946.-

3rd December 1945

I herewith forward a prospect of the quantity of food stuffs to be imported, required by the Italian Armed Forces during 1946. The prospect has been prepared jointly with the three Ministries concerned, and includes not only the supply of the Army for a total force of 205.000 me (already peaced under the responsibility of the Italian Government since the 1st December) but also the requirements of the Navy with a strength of 40.000 men, and the Air Force for a strength of 31.000 men in consideration that the two latter Armed Corps will soon become a responsibility of the Italian Government.-

For the further classification of the project it must be considered :

- a) That the requirements have been calculated on the basis of the daily ration as submitted to this Ministry by the three administrations concerned, that is in some cases slightly different from the present supply as effected by the Allied Authorities.
- b) That requirements have been augmented by 10% in consideration of eventual losses, thefts, etc.-
- c) That the requirements of bread and pasta have all been stated in wheat on the basis of an 80% value.
- d) That the raw coffee has been calculated on the basis of 17,5 grams per day equal to 14 grams of toasted coffee.-
- e) That the annual budget has been prepared on the basis of 14 months so as to take into consideration the requests of the administrations concerned that there should be a 2 month reserve.-
- f) That the requirements of hospitals and special categories of the Air Forces have been included.-

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This plan, following Allied Commission representations, cannot be included in the general supply program for 1946, as UNRRA owing to its constitutional orders cannot supply Armed Forces.-

It is therefore necessary to obtain a special financing, and it is urgent to establish this new procedure as this Ministry cannot allocate any quantities, as all the existing stocks are already scheduled for the civilian supply.

In fact for the supply for the month of December this Ministry has already requested from Allied Commission to obtain availabilities of meat, wheat, pulses coffee and sugar ; also for the next few months this Ministry will be obliged to again ask Allied Commission assistance, and naturally Allied Commission can only supply these goods on a loan basis.-

Would you please be so kind as to inform this Ministry whether the attached plan will be approved and what instructions will be given to our mission in Washington.

FOR THE MINISTER  
(Signed)



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**SUBJECT: Subsistence - Italian (Interim) Army.**  
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LAND FORCES SUPPLY COMMISSION  
A.S. (M. M. I. A.) B G M E  
G/1-208  
12 December 1945  
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TO : AFHQ  
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1. Pursuant provisions of para 13e AFHQ Ltr AG 091.711 G(2D)-0 of 2 November 1945, it is requested that certain items of food-stuffs be made available from surplus Allied military stocks for maintenance of the Italian (Interim) Army.
2. Certain items have been made available through Allied Commission from Italian indigenous resources and through Italian Government import program. Deficiencies not readily procurable from either indigenous resources or civil import program are requested.
3. Items requested are flour, macaroni, coffee, pres. meat & fish, and pepper for maintenance January, February and March. These items will be available from civil import from April onward.
4. Details of the amounts required outlined in Appx. 'A'.
5. The Ministry of Reconstruction has indicated through Economic Section, Allied Commission, that the Dollar Credits from the Troop Pay Account will be earmarked for items outlined in appx. 'A'.
6. It is further requested that 190 tons of sugar and 300 tons of Vegetables, dried, representing one month's supply, be made available as in para 3 above.
7. MCKIA will be the accounting agency for all amounts handed over.

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*K. Robert Nelson*  
K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

HRH/r1

Copy to: SO AFHQ  
GHQ for A (maint)  
GHQ for DST  
SO RRS  
DST, MIA *Gen*  
Economic Sub-Comm., A.C.

Appx. 'A'  
Ltr. #/1-108  
dtg 12-12-45

Requirements - Italian (Interim) Army

<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>SCALE</u> (oz)	<u>QUANTITY</u> (Metric tons) one month	<u>QUANTITY</u> (Metric tons) three months
Flour	15	2875	8625
Macaroni	3	575	1725
Pres. Meat & Fish	3	575	1725
Coffee (Roasted)	$\frac{1}{2}$	* 95	* 285
Pepper	1/200	0.9	2.7
Vegetables, dried	2	388	
Sugar	1	196	

\* If coffee beans are made available, amount should be increased by 25%.

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MEZA

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DATE - TIME  
11 1510

TO : AFHQ

INFO: GRC FOR /MAINT, DET, GRC  
CG HTUSA

4-721 ALSON FOR AIR FORCES SUB COMMISSION, NAVY SUB COMMISSION  
UNCLASSIFIED (.) SUBJECT EXTRA RATION CHRISTMAS DAY ITALIAN  
ARMED FORCES (.) FIRST (.) ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY INTEND DOUBLE  
RATION CHRISTMAS DAY FOR ITALIAN INTERIM ARMY INCLUDING GCR (.)  
SECOND (.) REQUEST AUTHORITY NAME ISSUE FOR US-IVI AND BR-IVI  
SURVIVE UNITS, ITALIAN AIR FORCE AND NAVY (.)

INTERNAL

ADST MEZA

PRECEDENCE \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHENTICATION \_\_\_\_\_

*see 613*

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## TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

REF: 23911/S/1

TO: M.M.I.A.

DATE: 10.12.45

SUBJECT: Extra ration issue for Xmas day

As is known, on the kind initiative of General Browning, a double ration was issued to all members of the Italian Armed Forces on Xmas day 1944 (your Mission's letter ST/41 of 6.12.44).

The concession was very much appreciated and caused much pleasure, at the time, and without doubt contributed to a closer and more effective collaboration by the Italian soldier with regard to the Allied Armed Forces.

Conscious of the spirit of comprehension which inspires the action of the Allied Command in Italy, I should like to put forward the advisability of a similar increase being made for this Xmas also, to all army units (BR-ITI, US-ITI, ITI-ITI) and all Navy and Air Force units.

Hoping that this request will be favourably heard, I thank you,

Sgd. PELLIGRA

General.

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O. Danin Cpl.

Sgd. PELLIGRA

General.

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P/A's

SUBJECT:- Maintenance BR-ITI Service Units.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.  
(M.M.I.A.).  
ST/102

8 Dec 45.

CRN 1/12

Ministry of War.  
List "B"

- 1. Reference maintenance of BR-ITI Service Units ex British depots, DST GHQ CMF has now agreed as a result of representations made by this HQ that of the 16 ozs of Vegetables Fresh issued to these units 7 ozs may be issued in the form of Potatoes Fresh if desired. No equivalents for Potatoes will however be issued.
- 2. For your information the GHQ authority for the issue of 16 ozs Vegetables Fresh is 64/ST6 of 13 Nov and similarly the authority for the issue of potatoes as above is 64/ST6 of 5 December 1945.

All 598

*W. H. K. Clark*

Lt. Col. RASC.  
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.M.I.A.).

MPHD/gmc

INTERNAL:-

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ST/140  
War Diary (2)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 594  
Economic Section

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D/M's  
K. W. [unclear]

Ref. 7.08/33

7 December 1945

My dear Professor:

In reference to my letter to you of 23 November 1945, I wish to inform you that there exists the possibility of partial procurement from Allied Surplus agencies (during the period 1 January - 30 April 1946) of items necessary for the subsistence of the Italian Interior forces.

I therefore take this opportunity to urge that you expedite your reply to my letter of 23 November 1945 so that details of procurement of these essential items can be expedited, by advance demand to all possible procurement agencies, and continuous supply of this force be assured thereby.

To 1. 8/2/45

see 612

HARLAN CLEVELAND  
Acting Vice President

Professore Neuccio Ruini  
Minister of Reconstruction  
Italian Government  
Rome

cc: MIA  
Food and Agriculture S/C

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R.G.

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.  
M.M.F.A. POME

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File:

Q/1-1

5 December 1945

Subject: Administration of US-ITI Troops -  
Peninsular Base Section (PBS)

To: Col. A/q, and C(SD)

1. The following information has been received concerning administration of US-ITI Troops under command of Peninsular Base Section.

a. U.S. Administration.

(1) Leghorn Area

Auxiliary Troops Command  
HQ PBS  
(Col. MOOK - Tele. Value 69)

(2) Naples Area

Auxiliary Troops Command  
HQ PBS  
(Col. DAVIS - Tele. Vacation 123)

b. Italian Administration.

(1) Leghorn Area

6 Provisional Group

(2) Naples Area

2 Provisional Group

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K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
Rations/Accounts

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from : M of W

to: Food Ministry

to: MMIA ( for information)

ref. 23498/S/I

5 December 1945

Subject: Food supplies for the Italian Army ( ITI-ITI Category)  
for the period I January- 30 April 1946.-

This Ministry, further to verbal agreement with MMIA, has notified, on 17 November 1945, to L.F.S.C. A.C. (MMIA) the requirements of food supplies needed for the troops belonging to the ITI-ITI Category (including CCRR) of the Army, for the period I January-30 April 1946.

MMIA with letter Q/I-104 dated 20 November, has notified a/m requirement to Food and Economic Sub-Commission, requesting to be informed of the quantities of a/m supplies available through Italian Resources or Import Agencies, and the eventual availability of foreign currency to purchase quantities exceeding the requirement of the Allied Armies in Italy.

Up to date MMIA has not yet given us any information as to the procedure to be followed in order to ensure supplies for a/m period.

Since after 31 December 1945 this Ministry will have no availability of supplies ( from Allied sources) to ensure consumption w.e.f. I January 1946, we beg you to approach Food and Economic Sub-Commission to obtain ( as we have already notified to a/m Subcommission with letter A.GAR/VIII/II340 dated 16 November 1945) that ~~the~~ food supplies be ensured up to the end of March 1946, by A.C.

Supplies needed ( as you have already been verbally informed), should be put at our disposal by the end of the first fortnight of this month otherwise this Ministry will not be able to ensure

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Translation

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We wait for your kind reply.

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Pell



**Ministero della Guerra**

DIREZIONE GENERALE  
SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI

Direzione Suss.ze *ag.* Sez. *I*

Prot. N. *23117/S/A* Allegati

*Luca*  
Roma *11* 2 DIC 1945

AL LA LAND FORCES SUB  
COMMISSION A.C. (MMA)  
R.C.M.A. *003*  
*12/12*  
*595*

Risposta al f. del 23 NOV. U.S.  
Dir. Sez. N.Q/1-105

OGGETTO: Sussistenze - Esercito Italiano di transi-  
zione - dicembre 1945.

*Provisions - Italian Transition Army - Dec. 45*

La richiesta di restituzione delle fa-  
rina e della carne è stata inoltrata al Mini-  
stero dell'Alimentazione che dovrà provvede-  
re alla restituzioni delle derrate stesse.

P. IL MINISTRO

*Cellina*

*The request for the return of flour and  
meat has been forwarded to the supply  
unit, who will have to arrange for the  
return of these foodstuffs.*

*Q.K.*

*1700  
5/12*

*Q/As see 595*

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M B  
Q. 259  
4 December 1945

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## MMIA ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 22

## AMENDMENT NO. 6

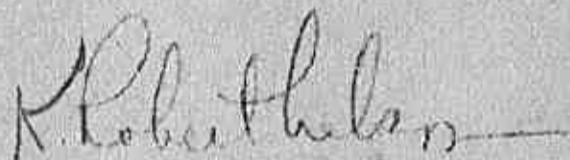
1. Effective forthwith the Ration Scale for Italian Armed Forces included in MMIA Administrative Instruction No. 22 is amended to read as follows:

In paragraph 5(a)

For : "Cheese - 1 ounce"

Amend to read: "Cheese - 6/7 ounce"

AUTHORITY: Cable Combined Chiefs of Staff ref. FAN 628 -  
Message W 85022 dated 24 Nov. 45.



K. ROBERT NELSON, Major  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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INTER-OFFICE MEMO

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.  
M.M.I.A. ROME

File : ST/140

Date : 3 Dec 45

SUBJECT: Ration Scale - Italian Armed Forces

TO : 'Q1' ←

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1. Attached is copy of a DST GHQ CMF letter 64/11/ST6(a) of 29 November.
  2. It is understood you will arrange for the reduction in scale to be implemented.

MPHD/gmc

*W. W. Wilcox*  
Lt. Col.  
A.D.S.T.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, C.M.F.

S. T. BRANCH

64/11/ST6(a)

29 November 1945

SUBJECT:- Ration Scale - Italian Armed Forces.

ADST, M.M.I.A.

1. Approval has now been received from the Combined Chiefs of Staff for the reduction of the scale of issue of cheese from 1 ounce to 6/7 ounce daily on the Italian Armed Forces Ration Scale.
2. The Combined Chiefs of Staff reference is FAN 628 (Message W 85022 dated 24 November 1945.).

/s/

DARLOW

? ? ? ? ? Lt.Col.  
for Major General,

Director of Supplies and Transport.

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