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Oct. 1944 - Ap. 1945

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MISC. DEMAND + TRAVEL - RATIONS

FOLIO NO 83-200

Aug - Ap 1945

(3268
3309)

SUBJECT: Patrons for Italian Prisoners

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ No 2 District Com.
1388 CL.

26 Apr 45.

AMHQ

Re: your AMHQ/2516/o(Maint) dated 13 Apr 45.

1. It was understood from para 2 of your AMHQ/2516/o (Maint) dated 22 Mar 45 that action regarding the disposal of this patriot lab force was being taken by Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission.

2. As stated in para 4 of this HQ letter 1388 CL dated 19 Mar 45, it is not necessary to retain this force from the standpoint of lab availability. In the absence of instructions from you, however, no steps are being taken by this HQ to vary the present terms and conditions of employment of these men.

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G. Unadwagh. Shetty/466
for Major General,
Comd No 2 District.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Commission,
Allied Commission (AMIA).
Lab.



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LROF V MEAV NR 21/24 T MEYT QVR 1
FROM DISTWO 211215B

TO MMIA

INFO AFHQ CITE FHGDQ

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QQX GR 27 BT

QS152 X (.) RESTRICTED (.) YOUR Q/1-80 OF 11 APR (.)

UNDERSTAND THROUGH ST CHANNELS THAT TRAVEL RATION

SCALES HAVE NOT YET BEEN APPROVED BY AFHQ X (.)

REQUEST INFM ON THIS MATTER

BT THI 1235B

SENT JBM B2 K

RECD NR 21/24 SLW 1327B/21 B1 K

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Subject:- Rations - Italian Mil.

57 Area
59 Area
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60 Sub Area
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209 Sub Area

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115 Rose
HQ No.2 District CTF
1388/Q1
14 Apr 45
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see 196
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1. Authority has been given for the following scale of "travel rations" to be issued where necessary to Italian troops in lieu of the normal ration scale :-

Allied provision

Biscuits	400 grams
or	
Flour	(425 grams to yield 400 grams biscuits or 550 grams bread)
Meat, preserved	3 oz.
or	
Fish, preserved	3 oz.

Italian provision

Fresh fruit	113 grams (4 oz)
Nuts without shells	28 grams (1 oz)
Wine	$\frac{1}{2}$ litre
Cigarettes, "free"	5 or 10 as applicable.

2. Issues will be made where necessary in accordance with the existing arrangements for the sup of the normal ration scale.

Copy to:- ST.

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Sgd. ... f/ Colonel
DA & QMG

DISTRIBUTION G-4(Br) RAAC:- Land Forces Sub Command AC (MIA)
201 Sub Area
ST (2)
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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA
TO : LO SARDINIA

Time - Date
Apr 18 B

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CONFIDENTIAL

OUR LETTER Q/1-80 OF 11 APRIL SUBJECT TRAVEL RATIONS DOES
NOT CANCEL OUR CABLE Q-9 OF 25 FEBRUARY (.) YOU WILL CONTINUE
TO ISSUE ON SCALE SHOWN IN Q-9 OF 25 FEBRUARY UNTIL THE
TINNED MEAT OF ITALIAN ORIGIN HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED

INTERNAL

ST SECTION MMIA

PRECEDENCE HighAUTHENTICATION Free

see 185

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SUBJECT: Travel Ration

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/1/5-29
18 April 1945

Ref. letter Q/1-80 of 11 April 1945.

1. Please amend para 1 in a/m letter, ration for MEAT, PRESERVED or FISH, PRESERVED to read 4 oz in lieu of 3 oz.

Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri

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CG Fifth Army
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HQ 3 District
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Air Force Sub Commission, A.C.
Public Safety Sub Commission, A.C.
ALL MMIA LO's
Q1 MMIA
ST MMIA
CG AAFSC/MTO

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Copy to: Ministry of War (General PELLICRA)

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SUBJECT: Drawing of Travel Rations

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/1/5-26
11 April 1945

TO : Direz. Gen. Commissariato
Ministry of War

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1. Reference your 7052/5/1 of 8 April 1945.
 2. While the necessity of issuing travel rations to personnel proceeding North in small parties is agreed, it is not possible to give bulk authority for 400 unspecified personnel, as requested in your letter.
 3. Before authority for issue can be given the following information is required:-
 - a. Name of unit or nature of party.
 - b. Destination.
 - c. Expected date of move.

R.T.M. Warham May
R.T.M. WARHAM, Major
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

RTM/r1

all 223

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TRANSLATION

From : M.O.W.
TO : M.M.I.A.

Subject: GARIBALDI BASE ← LECCE

Ref S/D/145 dated 5/4/45

Ref : 7654/S/1

Date : 8/4/45

We forward copy of telegram 7191/S/1 dated 31st march 45.
In which this Ministry in accordance with decisions of the M.M.I.A.
as ordered that commencing 1st april 45 no distribution of food will
be effected, to the GARABALDI DIV BASE.

Signed/ FELLIGRA

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G/D

Col Kater
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[Signature]

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TRANSLATION

TELEGRAM

Ref : 7191/S/1 - From WAR COMMISSARIATO
TO : MIL.TERR. COM. BARI.

Further to M.M.I.A's orders, commencing 1st April, Food
distribution to the GARABALDI DIVI BASE of LECCE will not (repeat)
not be effected .

Please acknowledge,

G/D

Signed : PELLIGRA.

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COPY
of
TRANSLATION

FROM: General S.M.
808th. Counter-Espionage Bn.

Ref. No. 95414/2/AM

March 18, 1945

TO : MMIA, Copy to: Capt. Stenhope Wright
HQ 808 Bn. Liaison.

The personnel of this General S.M. - "I" office - 2nd. Section - included in No. 8 of the Administrative organization mentioned in appendix "A" of letter No. TS/SD/31 of December 26, 1944 addressed to the Ministry of War, as "808th. C.S. (Counter-Espionage) Bn. (Bousignore Section)", serves through out the national territory as instructed by Allied authorities and is grouped into the following units now stationed as follows:

2nd. Section (detachment)	in Rome strength:	150	men
C.E. Center Rome	" Rome "	130	"
" " Ancona	" Ancona "	38	"
" " Bari	" Bari "	80	"
" " Cagliari	" Cagliari "	30	"
" " Catania	" Catania "	70	"
" " Florence	" Florence "	50	"
" " Bologna	" " "	25	"
" " Milano	" " "	30	"
" " Genova	" Lucca "	30	"
" " Naples	" Naples "	50	"
" " Turin	" Livorno "	25	"
" " in rear of Am. 5th. Army		65	"
" " in rear of Br. 8th. Army		95	"

Up to this date the personnel consisting entirely of R. Carabinieri on detached service with the units of Catania, Cagliari, Ancona, Bari, Florence, Naples, Lucca and Livorno, has been rationed by the Carabinieri Army of Service.

Since, by means of a recent order, the General HQ of the Carabinieri directed that the detached personnel of "I" office cannot, for purposes of rations, be included in the strength of the Carabinieri Corps, MMIA is kindly requested to issue instructions for the rationing of the personnel in question.

May we point out that our request is urgent, because in some of these localities the order of the General Carabinieri HQ has already been carried out, wherefore, the issue of food rations to personnel of this 808th. C.E. Battalion has been discontinued.

Sgd. G. Dotti Major

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COPY
of
TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

Ref. No. 5681/S/1

TO : MMIA

March 11, 1945

SUBJECT: War establishments of Military tribunals

This is in reference to file No. 305 of your
Sub-Commission.

In compliance with your verbal request we are
specifying below the distribution of the 250 food rations
allotted to Military Tribunals:

Supreme Military Tribunal at Rome	50
Military Tribunal " "	52
" " " Naples	25
" " " Oristano	17
" " " Sassari	13
" " " Palermo	20
" " " Catania	13
" " " Bari	29
" " " Catanzaro	20
" " " Macerata	<u>11</u>
	250

Sgd. PELLIGRA

See file
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

AC/4086/3/L.

GGH/ap.
21 Feb 45.

SUBJECT : Personnel for Italian Military Courts.
TO : ~~H. E. The Procuratore Generale Militare.~~

1. With reference to telephone conversation of this morning (H. E. BORSARI - LT. COL. HANNAFORD) and contrary to the information obtained by Your Excellency at the Ministry of War, Colonel P. KERR (MMIA) confirms that LAND FORCES Sub-Commission is not opposed to the increase of Military Courts personnel on rations, provided such increase is made up from personnel belonging to other Services. Colonel KERR further stated that provided the Army ceiling remained at 250, he did not care whether "76 naval officers ate 76 naval rations and were assigned to Military Courts".

2. On no account, however, could naval rations be allocated to Army personnel for the purpose of increasing the number of Army officers assigned to these Courts.

3. The distribution of rations in towns where the Courts were composed of mixed personnel would be a question of accountability between the Services concerned.

4. Colonel KERR's statement confirms the terms of the various letters (AC/4086/3/L) addressed by this Sub-Commission to the Chief of the General Staff, of which Your Excellency holds copies.

G. G. HANNAFORD, Lt. Col.,
Officer i/c Italian Branch,
for Chief Legal Advisor.

Copy to : Land Forces Sub-Commission
Capo di Stato Maggiore
~~AC/4086/L.~~

3288

Subject: Personnel for Military Tribunals

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
Q/2/5-17

10 March 1945

To : Minister for War

Reference your 205340/II of 28 Feb 45, above subject
222-5-8

1. Your letter is not understood for the following reasons:
 - a. Information was requested, through the Legal Sub Commission, as to whether there was any objection for the Naval and Air Ministries to assign 76 Naval Personnel and 13 Air Force Personnel to duty with the Military Tribunals. This request evidently came from SMO.
 - b. Reply was made to the Legal Sub Commission that the assignment of Navy and Air Force Officers was a duty of the Navy and Air Force Sub Commissions.
 - c. The total personnel of the Army authorized for this duty is 250. It was presumed that qualified officers of the Navy and Air Force, in the numbers requested, were available; otherwise the request would not have been made.
2. The personnel of the Army assigned to this duty is in the ITI-ITI Category, and the personnel of the Navy and Air Force assigned to this duty would be in the BR-ITI Category. Since the ceiling of the ITI-ITI Category cannot be increased to include the additional personnel in lieu of officers of the Navy and Air Force, authority cannot be granted to increase the number of ITI-ITI personnel now on this duty.

OPK/lak

d. Browning
Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

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TRANSLATION

From: M. of W.
To: Maj.Gen. Browning, M.M.I.A.
Subject: Personnel for Mil. Courts.

Ref: 205340/II
Date: 28.2.45

I am informed by the Mil. Attorney General that MMIA have decided that an allocation of ~~the~~ officers of the Navy and Air Force for the above be made in proportion to the number of rations to be ceded for the purposes by the Navy and Air Force in addition to the 250 rations previously allowed, i.e; 76 rations to be supplied by the Navy and 13 by the Air Force.

In this respect I would point out that:

- a) Mil. Justice Services, though under the control of the M. of W., function, not only for the Army, but for all the Armed Forces.
- b) Since it is a highly technical and specialised service officers should have special qualifications. The Ministries of the Navy and Air Force have not, at present, officers with such qualifications available in sufficient numbers to cover that number of rations.

In view of the above, I will be grateful if you will kindly authorise the Attorney General to draw the specialised personnel required from the three Armed Forces in the proportion in which suitable personnel is available.

In this case the Ministries of the Navy and Air Force should be warned that the rations to be ceded to Mil. Justice Services should not necessarily be accompanied by an equal number of units.

The Ministries concerned, having been approached on the subject are in agreement.

Thanking you in anticipation for anything you may do in this respect and awaiting news of your decision.

THE MINISTER
(Sgd) A. Casati

FMDeJ.

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO : LO SARDINIA

Date - Time
25 1200

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AUTHORITY IS GRANTED TO ISSUE 200 GRAMS CMA 1 CAN CMA
OF ITALIAN MEAT IN THE TRAVEL RATION IN LIEU OF THE
ALLIED PORTION OF MEAT AUTHORIZED IN THE TRAVEL RATION

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATION _____

Copy to: War Ministry
ST Section MMIA

see 163
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INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA LO 54 AREA

TO: 336 PR WING FOR MATU WEST FOR PHOTO INTELLIGENCE SCHOOL

INFO: MMIA

ST/743

Date - Time
23 1030

CONFIDENTIAL

RATIONS FOR GROUP 1 PERSONNEL ATTENDING PHOTO INTELLIGENCE
SCHOOL ARE AVAILABLE AT ITALIAN MILITARY DISTRIBUTION DEPOT
VIA FRANCESCO CRISPI NO 3 FOGGIA (.) ST/8'S WILL BE CLEARLY
MARKED SHOWING THE RATIONS ARE FOR BR-ITI STUDENTS ATTENDING
THE PHOTO INTELLIGENCE SCHOOL

OK
/K

per 15/

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FILE.

Signal Message

82/2/5 *151*

DATE TIME

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FROM: MMIA

TO: 54 AREA

RPTD: 536 PR WING FOR MAIU TEST FOR PHOTO INTELLIGENCE SCHOOL -
6201 PHOTO AFHQ - WAR MINISTRY

AG 2631

SECRET

FOR MMIA ID (*) SUBJECT IS PHOTO INTELLIGENCE COURSE FOR GRUPPI
PERSONNEL AT 536 PR WING SAN SEVERO (*) MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ISSUE
OF TWENTY FOUR ITALIAN RATIONS FOR GRUPPI STUDENTS ATTENDING COURSES
BETWEEN 26 FEB AND 11 MAR AND 14 MAR TO 5 APR (*) THESE ARE
CATEGORY BR-ITI COMBAT AND ITS WILL BE SO MARKED (*) AUTHORITY
IS AFHQ SIGNAL F50579 CITE PESBI OF 20 FEB

PRECEDENCE

IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

W. Selby
Kap

Int. Dist.

Lt. Col. Rose.
Spec. Sec.
"I".

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

AQ 2/5

MSG Center No : N 6/21
Classification : S
Precedence :
From : AFHQ
To : MMIA

IN 1/21

Date Time Rec'd : 21 0121
Date Time Sent : 20 1950
Reference NR : F-30579
Cite : F-4661

NECESSARY FACILITIES REQUESTED FOR ISSUE OF RATIONS FOR TWO ZERO
ITALIAN OFFICERS AND FOUR OTHER RANKS ATTENDING PHOTO INTELLIGENCE
COURSE AT SAN SEVERO ~~RT SAN SEVERO~~ FROM TWO SIX FEBRUARY TO ONE ONE
MARCH PD FOR SELBY ~~RT~~ FOX THREE ZERO FIVE SEVEN NINE FOR ACTION
MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY SIGNED SAGMED CITE FNGEI ~~RT FNGEI~~ PD
REQUEST YOU COMMUNICATE DIRECT WITH CHARLIE ODOE OF SCHOOL PD ADDRESS
CABLE TO THREE THREE SIX PETER ROGER WING FORM MIKE ABLE ITEM UNCLE
PAREN WEST PAREN FOR PHOTO INTELLIGENCE SCHOOL WITH INFORMATION COPY TO
GEORGE TWO ODOE ITEM PAREN PHOTO PAREN ABLE FOX HOW QUEEN PD ANOTHER
COURSE COMMENCES ONE FOUR MARCH AND ENDS EIGHT APRIL AND SIMILAR RATION
ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE REQUIRED

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Action taken S 22/2

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TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No

Translated by: Lt. J. J. M. Horlick.

Date : 14 Jan. 45.

FROM: W/M Comm/to.

Ref No : 762/S/1

Supplies Branch.

Date : 12 Jan. 45.

TO : AMMA

(Action)

In reply to :

SUBJECT: Travel rations for the Combat Groups.

Information has come from H.Q. "FOLGORE" Combat Group that the travel ration, as it is made up at the moment, cannot be considered absolutely sufficient for the healthy feeding of the soldier.

The number of calories that can be developed from this ration including the addition of the additional items like vino and fruit (dried or fresh) issued to the normal scale, is not above 1900, very little as compared with the minimum of 3000 calories needed by a young man subjected to moderate work.

Considering the necessity of maintaining the organism of the men in the Combat Groups in constant efficiency, seeing the particular tasks assigned to them, it is suggested that the ration be increased by the addition of 56 grammes of table cheese, that the bread ration be increased to 660 grammes and that the ^{tinned} meat or fish ration be increased to 226 grammes.

We refer it to you for any decisions you wish to make on the subject, with a request that you may look at the suggestion in a benevolent light bearing in mind also that, in case you accept the proposal, the increase that will result will be limited to the Combat Groups only.

(Signed) PIETRO BASILE, Col.
Inspector of Commissariat Services.
for The Director General.

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Land Forces 153

MONTAUSA MESSAGE FORM

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11 JANUARY 1945

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ACTION TO:

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INFORMATION TO:

MIA

AQ 2/5

(REF No.)

FK83560

TRAVEL RATIONS FOR ITALIAN PERSONNEL IS SUBJECT PD REURAD SIX FOUR FIVE NINE DATED
TEN JANUARY ONE NINE FOUR FIVE PD CITE NAQMS SIGNED CG MONTAUSA PD SATISFACTORY ISSUE
OLD TYPE CHARLIE RATION FOR ITALIAN MILITARY PERSONNEL ON TRAVEL STATUS FROM YOUR
BASE SECTION

CONCURRED: T. T. B. MIA

HEADQUARTERS
11 JAN 1945

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ROUTINE

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SECTION:

QUARTERMASTER

CONTENT AND CLASSIFICATION AUTHENTICATED
BY:
 NAME TYPED: T. H. RAMSEY, BRIG. GEN., U. S. A.
 TEL. No. PABCO 31, Chief Quartermaster

TIME HANDED IN

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0 FILE 0 Date
FROM: NORBS

TO MMIA

REF 6459 BNQM

DUE FOR IMMEDIATE DEPARTURE FROM CORSICA ARE CERTAIN ITALIAN
UNITS, REQUEST THIS HEADQUARTERS BE FURNISHED TRAVEL RATION SCALE X
SINCE NO COOKING FACILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING TRAVEL
THIS HEADQUARTERS HAS NEVER BEEN FURNISHED SAME. ~~XXXXXX~~ IT IS
IMPERATIVE THAT THIS INFORMATION BE FURNISHED ON OR BEFORE
12 THIS MONTH

Col. Locke. G.M. AFHQ Desires to answer.
this. Will send no information copy. Telephone
call. 1620 Hours. 11 Jan. 44 Capt. Clark.

* LAND FORCES.

COORDINATING ROUTE SLIP

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8	G-4 Sub-Comm. thru MMIA	Transportation 7	17/1	Recommendation by QM is approved. For the AC/S, G-4: 3 Incls: n/c
	GRS/wff			D. I. DODENHOFF Colonel, G.S.C. Chief Military Supply Br.
	MMIA	Transportation Sub-Comm.	19/1/45	For your information. Return to this office for files.
				(X) Tommy T. Rose TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col. for Major General M.M.I.A.

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COORDINATING ROUTE SLIP

(STAFF MINUTE SHEET)

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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No.	Section of Origin	Pass To	Date	
6.	G-4	QM	13/1	Request recommendation. For the AG/S, G-4:
		3 Incls: n/c		
				<i>J. L. Allen</i> D. I. DODENHOFF Colonel, G.S.C. Chief Military Supply Branch
				GRS/wff
7.	QM	Transportation Sub-Commission AC through G-4 and MMIA	14 Jan. 1945	1. A satisfactory travel ration can be produced from the approved Italian Military Ration scale. If it requires drawing additional rations or rations in advance, such arrangements can be made by MMIA. 2. The type "C" ration is not shipped into this Theater for the purpose requested by Transportation Sub-Commission and the cost of the type "C" ration is such that it is believed the Italian Government would not accept the charges. The cost of the "C" ration would be 85 lira per day. 3. Recommend that the Transportation Sub-Commission, AC contact MMIA and work out a satisfactory travel ration for this type of personnel.
				<i>Jack E. Finks</i> T. H. RAMSEY Brig. Gen., U.S.A. Chief Quartermaster
				rfl/ib

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SUBJECT Rations.

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No.	Section of Origin	Pass To	Date	
3.	G-4	Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C., thru MMIA.	16-12-44	1. "C" Rations cannot be made available for issue to either Italian Military or civilian personnel. 2. Since the bread and meal components are available from the regular ration and require no preparation enroute, and fruit and wine are generally made available from local resources, it is considered that normal Italian standards are met.  D. M. LIBBY Colonel, G. S. C. Chief of Civil Branch cc: QM
4.	Transportation Sub-Com.	AFHQ G-4 thru MMIA	3/1/45	The problem of a supplementary issue of rations to:- a) Units committed to a dispersion of activities, b) Units engaged in unusual duties, c) Units unable to mess collectively, is inherent in all Military Commands. AR 30-2210, Para 13a (2)(3)(4) and (9) realize and provide for such units in the American Army.

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It is felt that the basic problem should receive equal consideration for Italian Army Personnel.

The following points are brought to your attention for consideration in this respect:-

1) The fact that the Italian bread ration is drawn daily. Whenever a number of personnel depart from camp, bread is taken from those remaining, in order to feed those departing for the period of their absence, which is normally more than one day. Thus those remaining in camp are deprived of a portion of their ration. Furthermore, those leaving camp do not receive their full entitlement since an attempt is made to strike a balance most favourable to both sides. Thus an acute overall shortage exists on the days when this is done.

2) The fact that despite, theoretically, normal Italian standards are acceptable, the Italian Army has never, in point of fact, received a specified travel ration, and was never adapted to the operations it is at present performing.

3) The fact that pilferage and theft are partially due to the unsuitability of the ration at present issued. Where, especially, the unit is involved in hauling food for civilians, it is felt that the provision of adequate rations for drivers would undoubtedly help in controlling such pilferage and theft.

4) The fact that it is considered, by those Allied Officers who are actually supervising the work carried out, that only by such treatment as is suggested above can the maximum efficiency be obtained from Italian Military Personnel.

5) It is requested that further consideration be given to this basic problem, in the light of the above facts.

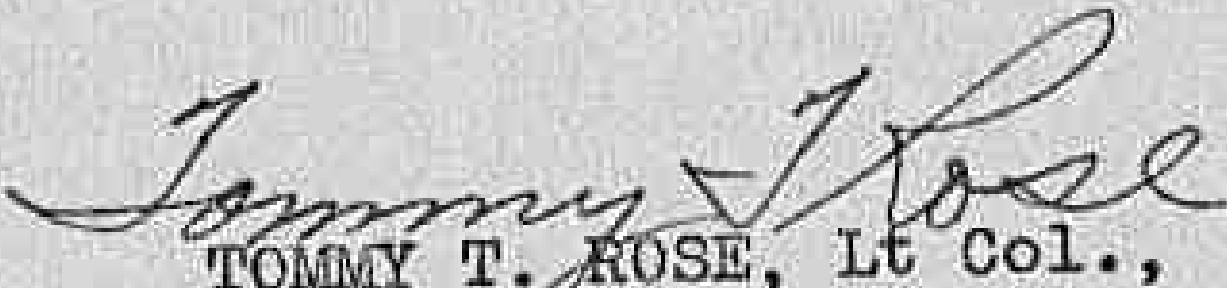
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ed WERRETT H. TAYLOR 3285
Director.

ACTION SLIPTHIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVEDFILE NO: AQ/2/5-a
SUBJECT:

DATE: 8 Jan 44

TO : G-4 AFHQ
FROM : M.M.I.A.

FORWARDED.


TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt Col.,
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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D3084

Subject: RationsLand Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
6 December 1944

AQ/2/21 - 265

To : AFHQ for G-4

1. Inviting attention to attached letter from Transportation Sub Commission, ALCOM, file AC/TN/R/27 of 4 December 1944.
2. The unit referred to is the 1st Truck Bn (Italian) 2675th Regt, ALCOM. This is an ITI-ITI unit. A large number of other Italian units, in all categories, would be affected by any decision in this case.
3. No travel ration, other than the bread and meat component can be made from the present authorized ration. No "C" type rations are available for issue to ITI-ITI troops. The money value of the "C" type ration is several times that of the present authorized ration.
4. Whether or not the operational efficiency of all of the Italian GT Companies would justify a change in the ration scale to permit the issue of "C" rations instead of the present authorized ration, cannot be decided here.


CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

1 Incl:
Ltr, Trans Sub Com, ALCOM,
dated 4 Dec 1944

cc: Trans Sub Com, ALCOM

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

Dec. 4, 1944

AC/TN/R/27

SUBJECT : Travel Rations for Italian G.T. Coys.

TO : Col. Kerr MMIA. *←*

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1. The present travel ration for Italian personnel consists of the bread and meat components of the regular ration. Therefore when a driver is actually on driving duty he receives less rations than when not working.

2. Request authority to draw 'C' type rations for issue to Italian soldiers when on driving duty, in lieu of the issue of the regular Italian ration which is impracticable to prepare en route.

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D. S. ADAMS,
Colonel, CE

Director In. Sub-Comm.

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Subject: Leave - Italian Military Personnel

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
(L. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/17

30 Dec 44

To : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. The current regulations which govern leave for Italian Military Personnel are set out below:-

2. PRIVILEGE LEAVE.

(a) Where Italian Military Personnel are under Allied Command, leave will not be granted without the prior consent of the Allied Commander who will decide whether the Military situation permits the granting of leave.

(b) Leave may be granted for a period of 7 days, excluding travelling time, not more than once in six months.

3. COMPASSIONATE LEAVE.

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(c) Convalescent leave plus time in Hospital may be authorised up to 60-days, after which the patient will be struck off the strength of the Italian Army.

(d) Personnel given Convalescent leave are considered as patients and do not count against the 5% leave Quota as at para 4 above.

6. PERMITTED AREAS.

Personnel will be permitted to travel on leave as follows:-

(a) Troops stationed in rear of Army Security Control Line.

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(b) Troops stationed fwd of Army Security Control Line.

(i) Anywhere in rear of Army Security Control Line.

(ii) Fwd of the Army Security Control Line only with approval of Army, District or Base Section concerned.

The discretion of Army, District or Base Section will not be exercised in favour of any person who cannot give good reasons for spending leave in the area in question by reason of location of his home, family or business.

(c) Troops of the Italian Combat Groups.

Anywhere south of the Italian Leave Forward Limit Line. This line will be adjusted from time to time; the following is the present line:

LUCCA - PISTOIA - RILINI.
The towns defining the boundary are inclusive to the permitted leave area.

7. The Army Security Control Line referred to in para 6 above has been established for the specific purpose of restricting and controlling movement of personnel into fwd operational areas.

This line consists of a series of check posts, which are manned continuously to prevent access to fwd areas by persons not in possession of a pass.

This line will be adjusted from time to time; the following is the present line:-

FANO S2273 URBINO R9181 SAN SEPOLORO R5044 AREZZO
SIENA COLLE DI BALD EL SALO Q6830 CECINA

These towns defining the Boundary are inclusive to the unrestricted leave area.

8. SICILY.

(a) Leave may be granted for personnel on the Mainland to visit SICILY, and for personnel in SICILY to visit the Mainland.

(b) The following special transport facilities have been arranged for the use of personnel travelling on leave to SICILY:-

Rail accommodation for 100 persons per day in each direction between NAPLES and REGGIO.

9. SARDINIA.

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(b) (i) Members of the Combat Groups proceeding on leave to the area north of the Rear Army Security Control Line, as provided in para 6 (c) above, will be in possession of the Standard AIG yellow movement pass.

(ii) The BLU attached to each group will :-

(A) be responsible for obtaining sufficient blank AIG yellow movement passes from HQ A.C.

(B) complete the permits in respect of all personnel within the Group proceeding on leave.

(C) forward the completed permits for signature and stamping as follows :-

(i) where Group is located North of Rear Army Security Control Line, to the nearest AAG Officer.

(ii) where Group is located South of Rear Army Security Control Line, to Army SCAO, or Provincial Commissioner of the Area in which the soldiers home is situated.

11. RESTRICTED ZONES.

Personnel granted leave to places within the area bounded on the NORTH by the Army Security Line (as defined in para 7 above), and on the SOUTH by the northern boundaries of the Provinces of TRIESTE - RIVIERA and ROMA, or to places in the province of SOGGINA, must be in possession of A.C. passes, or in the case of troops of the Combat Groups, must receive authorisation from the BLU attached to the Group.

12. TRANSPORT.

Except as provided in paras 8 (b) and 9, above, no demand on Allied Military sea, rail or road facilities will be made for personnel going on leave. The movement of personnel going on leave will be carried out by the Italian Army. There is no objection to existing Allied military transport facilities being used for the purpose, providing such use is not to the exclusion of any Allied military personnel or stores, as decided by the appropriate Movements Officer.

Transport belonging to Combat Groups may be authorised for transport of Combat Group leave personnel, providing that the Allied Commander's concurrence is first obtained, and that such use is not to the exclusion of operational or administrative commitments.

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HQ 15 Army Group.
CG MTOUSA
CG COMZONE MTOUSA
AAFSC/LTO
Rear 8 Army
Rear 5 Army
HQ 1 District (5)

HQ 2 District(5)
HQ 3 District(5)
PBS
PES(SOUTHERN)
ADDG
HQ A.C. (10)
BLU's 50, 51, 52, 53 & 56 War Diary (2)
Air Force Sub Comm.
Navy Sub Comm.
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CLAYTON P. WEBER, Col.
For Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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COPY

INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: AFHQ

16 1901 A

TO: MMIA

F 69768

RESTRICTED

SIGNED SACMED (.) CITE FHGDQ

REF YOUR AQ/17 OF 20 NOV (.)

ISSUE OF RATIONS FOR PERIOD OF JOURNEY TO ITALIANS
TRAVELLING ON AUTHORIZED LEAVE IS AGREED (.) ISSUES
TO BE MADE UNDER UNIT ARRANGEMENTS (.)

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SUBJECT: Travel Discipline - Transit Rations

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AG/2/5-11
2 December 1944

TO : Ministry of War

1. Recently some six hundred reinforcements were despatched from Southern Italy to the forward area.

2. Prior to departure each man was issued with six days transit rations for the journey, but it is believed that most of these rations were consumed immediately upon issue.

3. In future when the journey is scheduled to take over two days the following procedure will be adopted.

(a) In all cases where the strength of the party is over five men the senior officer or NCO will be nominated by the despatching unit as commander of the party. If no suitable officer or NCO is available within the party, the despatching unit must arrange to find a party commander who will return to the despatching unit immediately upon completion of the journey.

(b) Rations for the journey will in all cases be issued to the party commander. He will be responsible for issuing the correct daily portion and for handing back any surplus rations at the end of the journey.

4. In no case where the issue of more than two days transit rations are involved, will issues be made to individuals.

5. Will you please issue the necessary orders to the appropriate Italian formations.

FJN/ri

Copy to: (see over)

P. J. Noakes
P. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

Ref 141

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SUBJECT:- Additional Rations - It MIL

Land Forces Sub Commission

3 District
BASEBALL 15
712 Q

18 Dec 44

1. GRC 938/44 makes provision for extra rations in the case of Brit tps operating in small dets.
2. The situation now arises that 510 Italian Gd Bn and 550 Italian Gd Coy who are working as rly gds on exactly the same basis as Brit tps, are subsisted on the basic Italian ration only.
3. The nature of their work is such that Italian personnel of these units are away for periods up to 48 hrs as train escorts and it is impossible to break bulk to provide sufficient for the journey.
4. It will be appreciated if you will investigate this matter and advise this HQ if any provision can be made to cover these small dets who are engaged on vital work for the Allies.

JN/bt

Approved: *[Signature]*

1 Maj Gen
Comd
(P. B. LEECH)

see 126 A/D Stone 3 Dist
No action until further
order from 3 Dist
22 pce

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AQ 2/5

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MMIA

REAR FIVE ARMY

G.G. MPOUSA, CO PBS

AQ-2294

CONFIDENTIAL

FOR MMIA LC (.) REFERENCE YOUR MR 2529 OF 28 NOVEMBER (.)
THE SCALE FOR ISSUE OF SOAP FOR ITALIAN MILITARY IS 300
GRAMS PER MAN PER MONTH (.) THIS ITEM FURNISHED FROM
ITALIAN RESOURCES AND IS NOT ON THE RATION SCALE AS
APPROVED BY COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF BUT IS AUTOMATIC
ISSUE FROM ITALIAN MILITARY (.) 2 TONS SOAP DISPATCHED
TO 45-7 23 NOVEMBER FOR USE OF ITALIAN MILITARY (.)
NEW SUBJECT (.) BIDS ARE BEING MADE TO ALLIED FORCE
LOCAL RESOURCE BOARD FOR ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCES OF
YEAST FOR ITALIAN MILITARY

*Important
Case*

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From : Five Army Rear

To: CG MTOUSA

Info: CO PBS MMIA

4/75 5
Date 28 Nov 112

Ref NR 2529

CONFIDENTIAL

SHORTAGE OF YEAST IN FLORENCE AREA IS REPORTED BY UNITED STATES ITI FORMATIONS WITH FIFTH ARMY (.). REQUEST AUTHORITY TO ISSUE YEAST FROM UNITED STATES SOURCES TO UNITED STATES ITIS WITH FIFTH ARMY ON BASIS OF ONE POINT FOUR POUNDS PER 100 POUNDS FLOUR (.). FURTHER REQUEST CLARIFICATION ON SOURCE OF SOAP FOR THESE TROOPS AS ITEM IS NOT COVERED IN PUBLISHED UNITED STATES OR ITALIAN SCALES OF ISSUE.

g-5-7 Florence.
Soap. - - - 2 3/4 tons
23 Nov.

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4/1/22

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TRANSLATION

FROM : Ministry of War

Ref. 12666/S/1

TO : MMIA

Date: 21 Nov 44

SUBJECT:- Foodstuffs required in the Dispensaries of Military Hospitals.

The Medical Directorate of the Military HQ of Puglia and Lucania has sent a request to this Ministry for the following quantities of foodstuffs required by the Military Dispensaries of dependent hospitals for the preparation of syrups, infusions and other pharmaceutical products :

- Flour - 10 kilos for the dispensary of the Military Hospital of BARI for the preparation of hosts.
- Oil - 30 kilos for the dispensary of the Military Hospital of BARI for the preparation of Sulphur-Alcaline pamate.
- Sugar - 10 kilos for the dispensary of the Bisceglie territorial Hospital, for the preparation of syrups.

A similar request, for 50 kilos of sugar monthly has been sent by the Military Medical Nucleus of Florence for the dispensaries of the three dependent Military Hospitals.

The Medical Directorate General has expressed its favorable opinion in regard to this, assuring that the requests are within the real limits of requirement.

sd/ FELLIGRA

Feb 11 1945

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To Chief Clerk:- NOT REGISTERED.

Subject: Watchdogs.

There are 63 Large Guard dogs in the various Artillery Material and Munitions Depots, which are necessary for the guarding and the security of the said Depots.

The feeding of these dogs can in no way be carried out by scraps or the left overs from the soldiers' rations, as the rations do not permit there being any scraps at the moment, and the food no more fit for the consumption of humans is not enough to fit the case.

Therefore, owing to lack of food, the above dogs will have to be destroyed and therefore a method of guardianship which has proved itself particularly useful will be lost to the Depots.

Before we destroy them we beg you to examine the possibility of them being authorised to draw from Military Depots rations or partial rations suitable for the dogs in question.

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E.T. & A/D consider this a possible use of the food provided by the Allies. We must assume the food is fit for a dog to eat. A/D

TRANSLATION

FROM M of W

Ref: 12099/S/1

TO MMIA

Date 4 Nov 44

Subject: Rationing soldier on leave

Further to telephone conversation, to days date:-

- a. Previous to the date of 1st July 44, soldiers on leave or on detachment were issued with special ration cards Forms ML and MS. Such forms were given to the soldiers on leave or on detachment by their parent unit.
- b. As from 1st July, instead of obtaining Forms M.L. and M. S., soldiers on leave are issued with Special Cards MIP by the Community, where the soldier is on leave, or certificate from the unit (see copy of circular attached).

Gen BELLIGRA

FROM M of W

Ref 6135/S

TO Circular

Date 19 June 44

Subject: Special Cards Forms MS and M L

Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, in order not to let the Army use civilian population resources, has, as from 1st July, cancelled the special grant given to soldiers to be rationed by authorized branches on Ration Cards Forms ML and MS

Please inform all depending Branches of the above ruling and cancel the issue of forms as from the a/m date. The remaining forms ML and MS, in the Dire, de Comm and units, will have to be returned to the food sections of the provinces.

The issue of Special Card MIP is hereby confirmed and will be given to soldiers by the Commune where leave is spent. A confirmation of leave will be given to soldiers going on leave and same will be handed over to the commune to obtain the Special ration card MIP

As regard to the quantity of ration to be given to soldiers on leave and on detachment, details to follow.

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TRANSLATION

What was laid down in our 10470/S/1 of 29 Sept. 44 is confirmed. This is about the drawing of rations for Officers on duty in transit through ROME, which must be done through the Ministerial Autonomous Unit.

The rations drawn will be shown on the known table with the serial number 2a) authorized strength "fluctuating", to which shall be attached note 3) of the same table.

SUBJECT: Rations - Leave.

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
AQ/2/5 - 6
22 October 1944

TO : MMIA LO at HQ 1 District

Reference LO/G.15 of 18 October 1944.

1. The conditions under which leave is granted to the Italian Army have been fixed by AFHQ.

Amendments desired by HQ 55 Area have doubtless been put forward through the normal channel of Comd.

2. A plan is in course of preparation to enable Italian Army personnel on leave to be issued with special *civil* ration cards to enable them to purchase rationed commodities.

3. The variations between the maintenance plans for the Italian Army and PW (~~with~~ co-operators and non co-operators) are well known. *let*

FJM/jra

F.J. NOAKES, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

see 109

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Subject: Lea - Italian Army.

Liaison Officer,
Military Mission
Italian Army.
c/o Hq. I District.
10/6.15
18 Oct 44.

To: M.M.I.A.,
R O M E.

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Copy to: HQ., I District.
(55 Area 55A/28/A of 10 Oct 44 attached).
HQ., 55 Area.

I enclose letter No. 55A/28/A of 10 Oct 44 from H.Q., 55 Area to M.M.I.A., L.O., I District on the above subject.

2. I entirely endorse the area commander's remarks contained in para 1, 2 and 3.

With regard to para 4, I am aware that the policy of not issuing rations to effective soldiers of the Italian Army has been fixed on the highest level, but I consider that the matter is of sufficient importance to be re-opened by M.M.I.A. on the grounds that the issue of a limited amount of hard rations to cover travelling would have an effect on morale out of all proportion to the expense or difficulty in providing extra rations.

Answered - see 102
21 Oct 44
H. A. C. Howard

Lt. Col., G.S.O.I. (L).,
M.M.I.A., L.O., I District.

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COPY.

Subject: Leave - Italian Army.HQ 55 Area.
55A/28/A.
10 Oct 44.HQ No. I District M.M.I.A.

1. It is surprising to find from AFHQ letter CR/3018/GI(Br) dated 26 Aug 44 that rations for leave are issued to "Co-operators" whilst under HQ AAI letter 3074/27/A(O) dated 26 Sep 44 they are denied to Italian Service personnel in Italian Army Units under Allied Command.
2. My view is that if we expect reasonably good results from Italian Army guard units and labour units, we must give them reasonably fair treatment, at least adequate to sustain morale and maintain continuous manual labour in the same circumstances in which it is expected of Allied soldiers.
3. This and other distinctions between co-operators (ex PW) and serving soldiers do nothing to help maintain discipline, discourage desertion, and maintain physical fitness of these Italian troops from whom we demand a fair effort.
4. It is recommended that the decision not to issue leave rations to Italian Army troops employed by us be reconsidered.

(sgd) ??????
Brigadier,
Area Commander.

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