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LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)
% U.S. NOB PALERMO

FILE : ST/97

Q 29 June 1945

SUBJECT: Strength State

TO : C.O.C., Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MMIA), ROME.

Reference your G/11/1 dated 2 Sept 44, and your ST/40/3 dated 6 April 45. Please find enclosed herewith semi-monthly strength state of Italian Armed Forces in Sicily.

Homer E. Long
HOMER E. LONG
Major QMC
L O Sicily

1 Incl.

Strength State ITI Armed Forces, Sicily as at 21 June 45.

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STRENGTH STAFF OF ITALIAN FORCES IN SICILY AS AT 21 GIUGNO 1943

MAGAZZINI	Italien Army	CC.RR.	Italien Navy	Air Forces	T O T A L E	
	ITI-ITI	ITI-ITI	ITI-ITI	ITI-ITI	ITI-ITI	ITI-ITI
11° Magazz. Viv. Reg./e Palermo	1051	2902	869	756	1625	6993
65° Magazz. Viv. Fros. Catania	3909	2521	-	845	845	6430
66° Magazz. Viv. Pres. Caltanissetta	897	1275	-	-	-	2172
	8897	6698	869	1501	2470	15595

ok

N.B. - Marina Messina e Marina Augusta non hanno provviste.

- Sono state distribuite le seguenti razioni per richiamati :
Distretto Milit. Caltanissetta - razioni tipo viaggio n.80.

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Q/H Sib

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: AMIA
TO : COMINCH PALERMO
S-281

Date - Time
~~May~~ 22 1150 B

CONFIDENTIAL

FOR AMIA LO (.) REF YOUR ST/32-1 DATED 21 MAY (.) MONTHLY
RATION CHILING FOR ARMY, NAVY, CORR AND AIR FORCE SICILY
HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED

Attached

PROCEEDINGS

Pt

AUTHENTICATION

T. P. Paynter

4:44

INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: MMIA LO SICILY (LONG)

May 21 0749B

TO : HQ ALCOM FOR MMIA ROME

ST/82-1

RESTRICTED

MONTHLY RETURN CEILING FOR ARMY, NAVY, CCR AND AIR FORCE

SICILY HAS NOT (LONG MMIA LO STCILY TO HQ ALCOM FOR MMIAROME CITE ST/82-1) BEEN RECEIVED FOR 2 - 3 MONTHS (.) HAS

GIVING OF THIS INFORMATION BEEN DISCONTINUED QUERY

Yes

Presentation

PALERMO.

Q-261

COMNOB

4343

SUBJECT: Ration withdrawal for CG.RR - Sicily

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) ROME
Q/1/12-4
21 May 1945

TO : Direz. Gen. Commissariato
Ministry of War

Reference your 9353/S/l, subject, "Ration drawing",
dated 16 May 1945.

1. This is to inform you that CG.RR in Palermo, Messina,
or other parts of Sicily are not authorized to accumulate rations.
Rations will not be issued for the purpose of building a reserve
for some future date.

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

EPZ/ri

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Translation.

From; M.of W.
To ; MMIA.
Subject; Ration drawing.

Ref; 9353/5/1.
16/5/45.

The Palermo Mil., Terr., Commissariat, Dir., has pointed out to this ministry, that ~~During~~ the frequent disturbances that occur in Sicily the dependant CC.RR. stations of the Legion of Palermo and Messina, are very often not in a position to effect the normal drawing of rations.

In order to avoid this inconvenience, and to put the CCRR stations in a position to overcome the difficulties relative to the drawing of rations should these disturbances be repeated, we beg you to examine the possibility of authorising the accumulation of five days reserve rations at least, in each CC.RR. station on the Island.

GD.

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SUBJECT: Ration withdrawal for CG.RR - Sicily

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.G. (M. M. I. A.) ROME
Q/1/12-4
21 May 1945

TO : Direz. Gen. Commissariato
Ministry of War

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or other parts of Sicily are not authorized to accumulate rations.
Rations will not be issued for the purpose of building a reserve
for some future date.

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

EPZ/ri

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SUBJECT: Issue of rations to the Italian Air Force

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
 A.C. (M. M. I. A.) ROME
Q/2/12-2
 23 March 1945

TO : AMIA LO Sicily

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Ref. to your weekly Liaison Log No. 45 for week ending 7 March 1945.

1. In connection with the issue of rations to the Italian Air Force, our letter Q/2/12-1 of 19 March 1945 will be complied with in so far as possible, but in no instance will rations be issued to an Italian Army Depot for re-distribution to Italian units on other than the authorized prescribed scale.
2. Small detachments of outlying units may have their rations drawn by the next higher unit in their echelon of command. As you know, rations may be issued to Divisions, Regiments, Battalions, Companies, or separate detachments.
3. You will please check this item very closely, until we are sure that all Italian Air Force units are drawing from Army depots, and that all Air Force depots in your area have been closed.

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

M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri
 Copy to: Q/53/1

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SUBJECT: Drawing of Rations

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) ROME
Q/2/12-1
19 March 1945

TO : MMIA LO Sicily

- Attn: [Signature]*
- Ref. the last. Ind. to your ST/31 of 16 March 1945
1. The personnel in question belonging to the CC.RR, also Air and Navy who are attached to Intelligence IAI (old SIM) are not to be carried on the strength of the CC.RR, but have been transferred to Intelligence IAI, and carried in Category 5.
 2. The personnel in question may draw rations from the Army distribution depots as a detachment of the 803 CS Bn., shown on page 92, Order of Battle dated 9 March 1945, our SD 92/1. As it will be noted from the Order of Battle, this detachment's location is shown as Rome, but they will have various detachments assigned to various locations. Therefore, this accounts for the detachments parent organization's location shown as Rome.
 3. Hope this clarifies the matter for you, but if some is not clear, please feel free to call on us further.

TOMMY T. KOSE
TOMMY T. KOSE, Lt. Col.

for Major General

M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri

See 56

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Copy of Cable from CC.II. C.I.I.Q..

"II/52 Make arrangements from now on not to include officers, N.C.O.s and men on duty for the Informations Office, ex-S.I.M., of the Stato Maggiore Generale in the Feeding Strength Report for the period 9-24 of the month, to be sent to the Allies. Consequently the said personnel is to be considered as dropped from the strength wif said report. acknowledge at once via Cable informing us of number of officers N.C.O.s and men who will be taken off the Strength with the coming into effect of this instruction. Letter to follow.
Egd Gen. Orlando.

5 March, 1945.

Certified true copy,
Egd A. Sansone, Capt. C.C. Accounting
Palermo, 12 March, 1945.

Stato Maggiore Generale, Ufficio "T",
2nd Section, C.C. Centre.

Ref. No 1116 Palermo, 14 March, 1945
Subject: Training of Nations.
To : M.M.I.A., L.O. Sicily.

The CC.II. C.I.I.Q. has given instructions, in Cable shown above, to the Palermo, Messina and Catanzaro CC.II. Legions to drop all the officers, N.C.O.s and men of the Stato Maggiore Generale, "II" (Informations) Office, from the Feeding Strength Report for the period 9-24 c.m. to be sent to the Allies. This Centre, which depends from the 2nd Section of the said office and comes under the Allied W.E. as the 608 th C.S. Bn. has a total of about 60 Military of various ranks (the number oscillates because of transfers and new assignments, but in any case they do not go over the 60 mark), of whom 45 are in Sicily and 15 in Calabria.

The personnel in Sicily is detached at Palermo, Catania, Messina, Trapani, Siracusa and Augusta; in Calabria at Cosenza and Reggio Calabria. Since the a/m order of the CC.II. G.H.Q. states that the personnel of this Centre can no longer draw Rations from the Palermo, Messina and Catanzaro CC.II. Legions and taking into account the fact that it is not opportune that Nations be drawn from Army Units, for Security reasons because of the Secret Service work carried out, we ask your Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.I.A.) to kindly authorize the said detachments of this Centre to draw Rations directly from the nearest Italian Distribution Depots.

Egd Monito GIORDANO, Major, CC.II., AC Sicily.

No. ST/51
1st Ind.

Liaison Office, Land Forces Sub Comm. ac (M.M.I.A.), % AC Sicily
Region Hq. APO 694, U.S. Army.
16 March 1945

To: G.O.C., Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (M.M.I.A.), ROME

1. Inviting attention to basic communication.

Subject: Training of Nations.
To : M.I.A., L.O. Sicily.

Fermo, 12 March, 1945

The C.C.M. G.H.Q. has given instructions, in cable shown above, to the Falerno, Messina and Catanzaro G.O.C. Regions to drop all the officers, N.C.O.s and men of the State "Saggiore Generale," "II" (Information) Office, from the feeding strength Report for the period 6-24 c.m. to be sent to the Allies. This Centre, which depends from the 2nd Section of the said office and comes under the allied H.Q., as the 303 th C.S. En, has a total of about 60 military of various ranks (the number oscillates because of transfers and new assignments, but in any case they do not go over the 60 mark), of whom 45 are in Sicily and 15 in Calabria.

The personnel in Sicily is scattered at Falerno, Catania, Messina, Trapani, Syracuse and Augusta; in Caletria at Cosenza and Reggio Calabria. Since the a/m order of the C.C.M. G.H.Q. states that the personnel of this Centre can no longer draw rations from the Falerno, Messina and Catanzaro C.C.M. Legions and taking into account the fact that it is not opportune that rations be drawn from Army Units, for security reasons because of the Secret Service work carried out, we ask your Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.T.A.) to kindly authorize the said detachments of this Centre to draw rations directly from the nearest Italian distribution depots.

Sed Benito GIORDANO, Major, C.C.M., C.C. Centre.

No. ST/31

1st Ind.

Liaison Office, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMLA), % AC Sicily
Region Hq. APO 394, U.S. Army. 16 March 1945

TO: G.O.C., Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMLA), ROME

1. Inviting attention to basic communication.
2. Subject personnel have rations until 24 March. May we have your pleasure as to whether they are entitled to rations subsequent to that date.

Homer E Long
Major QMC
for Lt Col
L O Sicily

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Major QMC
for Lt Col
L O Sicily

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Major QMC
for Lt Col
L O Sicily

SUBJECT: Drawing of Rations

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) H O M E
Q/Z/12-1
19 March 1945

TO : MMIA LO Sicily

Ref. the 1st. Ind. to your ST/31 of 16 March 1945.

1. The personnel in question belonging to the CC.RR, also Air and Navy who are attached to Intelligence IAI (old SIM) are to be carried on the strength of the CC.RR, but have been transferred to Intelligence IAI, and carried in Category 2.

2. The personnel in question may draw rations from the Army distribution depots as a detachment of the 808 CS Bn., shown on page 52, Order of Battle dated 9 March 1945, our SD 92/1. As it will be noted from the Order of Battle, this detachment's location is shown as home, but they will have various detachments assigned to various locations. Therefore, this accounts for the detachments parent organization's location shown as home.

3. Hope this clarifies the matter for you, but if same is not clear, please feel free to call on us further.

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

TTR/ri

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MESSAGE FORM

10/21/12

Date - Time
Feb 21, 1530FROM: NMIA
TO: ALCOM SICILY

CONFIDENTIAL

AQ-2761

FOR NMIA TO (.)
RATION STRENGTH FOR ITALIAN NAVY IN SICILY FOR PERIOD 21 FEBRUARY
TO 5 MARCH IS 4,811 (.) FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION

4432

TRANSLATION

FROM: M of W

Ref 771/S/1

TO MMIA for Info

Date Jan 22, 45

Subject: Rations for the PANTELLERIA detachment.

We hereby approve the withdrawal of 690 rations for the PANTELLERIA detachment which has already been effected.

For MMIA, we add that said withdrawal does not increase the strength in as much as the War Establishment of said garrison was formed by military once fed by units located in SICILY

PELLIGRA

4135

Subject:- Ration Maintenance Service.

Land Forces Sub Comd. HQ.
(C. I. A.)

ST/102/11

17 Jan 45.

Direz. Gen. Commissario,
Italian War Ministry.

TO
Land Forces Sub Comd. HQ. (C. I. A.)
TARANTO
ITALY

COPY TO:- A/O ←
Moy

1. Inclusive dispatch from Taranto Rail Depot 29 January
a daily pack train will operate for the maintenance of Italian
troops in Sicily.

2. Balanced rations for dispatch each day based on feeding
strength of 24,000 will be as follows:-

QUANTITY IN QUANTITY

Flour	18,000
P. meat	4,500
Pulses	3,000
Ton pasta	750
Macaroni	4,500
Cheese	1,500
Rice	1,500
Tea	750
Coffee	1,500
Sugar	120,000 Single
Cigarettes	"
Matches	137,143 "
	approx 36,300 lbs

TOTAL TONNAGE FOR DISPATCH EACH DAY = 160

4,500

3. Wagons will be consigned to Italian Rail Depot CATTANIA

4. The LO at point of dispatch will ensure that the total
tonnage is loaded each day with balanced rations as
outlined in para 2 above and will signal dispatch daily

- Inclusive dispatch from Toronto bulk depot 29 January a daily pack train will operate for the maintenance of Italian troops in Sicily.
- Balanced rations for dispatch each day based on feeding strength of 24,000 will be as follows:-

<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>QUANTITY IN UNITS</u>
Flour	18,900
Pasta	4,500
Pulses	3,000
Tom Paste	750
Nacaroni	4,500
Cheese	1,500
Rice	1,500
Lemon	7
Coffee	750
Sugar	1,500
Cigarettes	120,000 singles
Matches	112,143 "
APPROX	36,300 lbs

TOTAL TONNAGE FOR DISPATCH EACH DAY = 164

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- Wagons will be consigned to Italian Ration Dept CATTIA

- The LO at point of dispatch will ensure that the total tonnage is loaded each day with balanced rations as outlined in para 2 above and will signal dispatch daily to MILITIA Sicily and Information HQ CATTIA. MILITIA Sicily will signal HQ CATTIA Information HQ CATTIA 10 hours of arrival.

- Local released items i.e. Fresh fruit, Fresh veg, Tufts, Salt, wine, Olive Oil will be purchased on the Island under local arrangements.

- Will NOT - To Please make the necessary arrangements for allocation of the wagons required each day at Monte Cassino

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Depot Toronto originating inclusive January 22.

W. H. Brown, Major

SAC, D.L. APPROVAL.
1st. Col. RASC.

ABCO, and Foreign Sub Com. AC. (CRA)

SAC/ma

Copy to:- MELA TO TURK FOR INFORMATION. You may be required to
RELEASE ORIGINATOR SHOULD IT BE IMPOSSIBLE
AT ANY TIME FOR TORONTO TO DO SO. IN THIS
EVENT YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY THIS HQ.

785020

TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No.

translated by: Tom Sargeant
FROM War Ministry CommissariatoDate : 5 Jan. 45
Ref No : 15272/S/1
Time : 4 Jan. 45TO : R.M.
(Info / Action)

In reply to : AQ/2419 dated 29 Dec. 44

SUBJECT: Food rations.

We assure you to have signalled all Regional HQ and Commissariat Directorates to comply strictly with the instructions that forbid the collection of Military Food Rations for personnel not authorised.

for THE GENERAL DIRECTOR OF COMMISSARIAT
signed Col. P. Basile

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COPY
OF
TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

REF. 14970/S/1

TO: MMIA

Date Dec. 29, 1944

SUBJECT: Rations for Sicilian volunteers destined to
Combat Groups.

Ref. SD/1849 dated Nov. 26, 1944.

The Commissariat Directorate of SICILY has reported that the local MMIA office does not know the instructions, given with the a/m Signal, concerning the consignment of rations, required for the feeding of Sicilian volunteers for Combat Groups, which were to be furnished from Separate stocks by Col. Albert.

As the first Group will start to report on Jan. 5, please send urgent instructions in regard to this to the MMIA office in SICILY or let us know if this Ministry must take care of feeding said volunteers in order to enable us to order the necessary shipments from the mainland.

Sgd. PELLIGRA

Rations despatched to
Sicily for the call up
will be sufficient to
deal with the small
number of volunteers

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MMIA

DISTRICT:

~~AM/MS~~ AQ 2419FILE
Bal 2/12.

Dec 18 1800 A.M.

CONFIDENTIAL

Reference ALCON signal 8329 date: 17 Dec copy to you (.) Consider
MONTEGRANERO Battalion should move with 10 days repeat 10 days rations (.)
Please arrange (.)

KR
per 30

F. G.
ST

MMIA important

K. L. Remond Lt. Col

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*FILED**REPLY**DEC 12/12**17/12/44*

FROM: HQ ALCOM
 TO : AFM, G-3 AND G-5
 INFO: HQ AAI
 DISTURB
 DISBURSE
 GA A&EA
 MILA
 SOVIET

8309CONFIDENTIAL

PARA ONE (.) IN RESPONSE OUR 8309 OF 16 DECEMBER (.)
 ERMA TEC (.) IT HAS BEEN ADVISED BY MILA AND PUBLIC SAFETY
 ALLIED COMMISSION AND THE GENERAL COMMAND OF CARABINIERI
 THAT THE MORDEGALIANO BATTALION WILL MOVE TO PALERMO (.)
 PLEASE ARRANGE FOR 30 OFFICERS AND 680 MEN AND 30 TONS OF
 BAGGAGE TO MOVE FROM TAORMINA TO PALERMO AND 6 OFFICERS AND
 165 MEN AND 20 TONS OF BAGGAGE FROM JESI TO PALERMO (.) THEY
 WILL REPORT TO THE LEGION COMMANDER GOVERNMENT IN PALERMO (.)
 PLEASE NOTIFY PUBLIC SAFETY ALLIED COMMISSION OF EXPECTED
 TIME OF ARRIVAL IN PALERMO

INDEPENDENCE FAITHFULTY

W.W.

SD DISTR.: 1 SD/13/3
 SD/22
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 Nov (2)
 SD/30
A&Q 2200P

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COPY
MESSAGE FORM

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FROM: MMTA
TO : AFHQ

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AQ/2375

CONFIDENTIAL

For Q Maint (.) Subject is maintenance of Italian troops in SICILY (.) Supplies programmed for movement by rail BARI - SICILY now held up due breaks in line (.) SICILY maintenance thus endangered as large stocks NOT held there (.) Small stopgap shipments arranged by sea and road to meet first stages of call ups now starting but urgently request sea transport BARI PALERMO 310 tons mixed supplies be allocated soonest (.) Also request sea transport 35 tons blankets BARI PALERMO urgently needed for call up (.) Understand vessel available BARI 16 Dec (.)

PRECEDENCE: IMMEDIATE
AUTHENTICATION : B.L. PERCEVAL Lt.CC

4127

Copy:Subject:- Adm. It units on Allied programme.56/MMIALO/9
14 Aug 44.Comd 72 AA Bde.

Ref your letter No 84 dated 5 Aug.

The points mentioned have been noted but as regards pay and feeding there is little that can be done to improve matters. The former point had already been the subject of a memo from me to Comd 56 Area in an effort at least to bring down the scale of cash payments to Cooperators to the level of those made to regular Italian tps in areas where these serve side by side.

The food ration laid down for the Italian Armed Forces has been decided upon by the Combined Chiefs of Staff and is deemed by them to be sufficient. I believe it will be found that the new combined ration scale will prove adequate for Italians especially owing to the increase in filling foods (bread, macaroni and rice).

The release for clothing for 145 Lt AA Bty has now been received by Mil HQ Sicily (ex-XII Corps) and should by now have reached the bty through Italian channels.

I wished to obtain the info contained in the above para before replying to your letter. The consequent delay is regretted.

For your info; this office closes w/e 14 Aug 44. Any matters regarding the Italian Army should now be referred to Lt-Col Albert, MMIALO Sicily, C/o ACC HQ, Palermo.

TA 1100
F 179

Kellett
Major,
MMIALO,
56 Area.

The whole matter was handled in an indefinite manner. No body took the trouble to initiate proper action. None was authorized and all they had to do was collect.

MEMO

HQ REGION ONE ACC FOR ALBERT

AQ 1881

REF ID: A
RESTRICED

PAREN HOME AREA

PAREN

REF YOUR 690/1 (*) AFHQ LETTER AG 319.22 OCT-0 OF 10 JULY LIMITS
145 GROUP TO 150 ALL RANKS (*) 73AA BRIGADE INCLUDED IN DISTRIBUTION
OF THIS AFHQ LETTER (*) OUR ORDER ISSUED IN COMPLIANCE THEREWITH
AND STANDS (*)

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ARMY FORM C 2186 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 02/m 44 258

Call Srl. No. Priority P

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGMA'S USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator ALBERT MMIA LO SICILY

Date/Time of Origin 07 NFT

OFFICE DATE STAMP.

MM A.

AQ

FILE REF

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Date Recd 8/9/44

GR

MAIN HQ NMIA ROME For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

Originator's No.

690/1 (.) Restricted (.) Ref letter No. 185, 73 AA Bde dated 30 August 44 and com
 indorsement No. 690 dated 1 Sep 44 thereto (.) Authority to form 145 AA Group
 was from AFHQ letter AG 370 (.) 5-1 (Iti) CCT-O of 26 May 44 (.) 73 AA Bde
 received NO instructions regarding reduction to 150 to date (.) Rations issued to
 150 effective 1 Sept (.) Request instructions expedited

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WIRELESS

BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT

IF LIKELY TO BE INTERRUPTED OR TO

FAIL INTO ENEMY HANDS THIS MSG

WIRELESS MSG MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS

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IMPORTANT

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SUBJECT- liaison Depots in Sicily, Calabria and Cosenza.

Army Sub Commission, (H.M.A.),
HQ, AAC, Rome.
RE/SL.

August 1944.

SICILY LO, Sicily,
H.M.A. LO, Taranto.

Copy to:- Italian War Ministry.

1. Effective this date the liaison duties in regard to the Reggio Distribution Depot in Calabria Province will be performed by the H.M.A. LO, Sicily.
- All other Food Depots in the Calabria and Cosenza Provinces e.g., Crotone, Catanzaro and Cosenza Depots, will similarly become the liaison responsibility of the H.M.A. LO, Taranto.
- The above liaison depots are the only ones known to be operating at the present time in those provinces.
- No other depot will be opened unless instructions are issued from this HQ.
- Stock state signals despatched to this HQ by LO Sicily will, in future, include stocks at Reggio Depot.
- Stock state signals despatched to this HQ by LO Taranto will, in future, include stocks at Crotone, Catanzaro and Cosenza Depots.
- Stock movement estates, as submitted by Subistence Commissario Sicily and Catanzaro will continue to be submitted as heretofore to avoid changing the Italian procedure.
- Acknowledge.

V
CLAYTON PARKER,
Colonel,
ZOF Major General,
Army Sub Commission, (H.M.A.).

SC/aww

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All other Food Depots in the Catanzaro and Cosenza Districts, will similarly
e.g., Crotone, Catanzaro and Cosenza Depots, will similarly
become the liaison responsibility of the MIA LO, Taranto.

The above Station Depots are the only ones known to be
operating at the present time in these provinces.

No other Depot will be opened unless instructions are
received from this HQ.

2. Stock state signals despatched to this HQ by LO Sicily will,
in future, include stocks at Reggio Depot.
- Stock state signals despatched to this HQ by LO Taranto will,
in future, include stocks at Crotone, Catanzaro and Cosenza Depots.
- Stock movement states, as submitted by Saseistense
Commissionato Sicily and Catanzaro will continue to be submitted
as heretofore to avoid changing the Italian procedure.
4. Acknowledge.

CLAYTON P HARRIS,
Colonel,
Major General,
Army Sub Commission, (MIA).
4/1/62

SHC/dmv

MESSAGE FORM

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From HQIA

To COL ALBERT HALL LO with HQ SIGNLY REGION HQ ADD
REPT MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref ID: 37-2214

- encls 75 (e) CONFIDENTIAL (e) Reference your 635/1 (e) FIRST (e)
 rations to be issued in 500L effective one September will be limited to the
 number specified in our 6/6/1/1 of 15 August (e) Any rations issued in
 excess will be recaptured by undersigned in future (e) No rpt no authority
 for extending date (e) No rpt no delay will be permitted in the operation
 of this order regardless of the number of men who do not get rations (e)
 encls 80 and (e) Both Internal Security Divisions when organized will
 remain under command 56 area (e) THIS (e) SP is abbreviation for SINGAPORE

to be sent in Cipher if
 Mobile to Interception
 except () Wireless
 (MANUAL)

SP
HIC

Actions to be taken in DCIIL effective one September will be limited to the
numbers specified in our 6/6/47 or 15 August (e) Any actions imposed in
expenses will be reimbursed by immediate in future (e) No new authority
for extending date (e) No right to delay will be permitted in this operation
of this order regardless of the number of men who do not get notices (e)
INTERNAL SECURITY AND (e) Both Internal Security Divisions when organized will
remain under const 56 areas (e) THIS (e) SSI is abbreviation for Standard
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except () wireless
key will be sent as written To be sent in Cables to interception

Revised 1/21/48
SAC WASH D.C.

4/22
Original Copy → 1/10
To see
~~Not required~~
3/19
J.W.

S E C R E T

Subject:- Strength of ITALIAN ARMY

Army Sub Commission (Int.)

H.Q., A.C.C.

R.O.T.E.

G/6/1/T
15 AUG 44

1. Herewith Copy No. 1 of our G/6/1/T of 15 Aug 44, addressed to Minister of War and Chief of Staff S.M.R.E. for information.
2. This is a registered document and will be treated as SECRET.
3. Please sign and return attached receipt.

J.W./cc

Lt Col,
C.S.

DISTRIBUTION:-

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Lt Col,
G.S.

DISTRIBUTION:-

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Received in acknowledged of 10th letter G/6/1/7 dated 15 Aug 44, Copy (Isas)
No.....

Date..... 44

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Unit/Agmt.....

SUBJECT, Strength of Italian Army.

SECRET

Army Sub Commission, M.W.A.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

G/6A/F
15 Aug 44.

To: Minister for War
Chief of Staff, S.M.R.E.

I am to advise you that the total strength of the Italian Army on 31 Aug 1944, will not be in excess of 364,000 all ranks. The principal categories for the purpose of present planning are shown at Annex "A". (Categories are numbered in brackets for reference, and such numbers will hereafter be shown on strength and other returns of the Italian Army.)

2. Administrative Institutions - Category 1)

- a. Normally under Italian command.
- b. Includes troops for administration, supply etc., as specified in letter this Hq, AQ/8 dated 29th July.
- c. Limitations prescribed in letter, this Hq, AQ/2 dated 23rd June, apply to following units :
 - War Ministry
 - GRANATIERI Battalion acting as guard and escort of Royal Household.
 - Royal Military Academy.
 - Comando Supremo (SMG) less SDI units carried under Category (5c.)
- d. The ceiling of 27,000 will not be exceeded, and will include personnel assigned to the units under this category who are absent for any reason from the unit to which assigned.
- e. Information Centers (Formerly Transit Camps) on Mainland only, maximum of 3 all ranks per Centro in 27 Centres.

3. Combat Formations - Category (2)

- The ceiling includes all troops, detachments, or individuals, assigned to or earmarked for inclusion in Combat Formations, including C.I.L. as presently constituted.

(Categories are numbered in brackets for reference, and such numbers will hereafter be shown on strength and other returns of the Italian Army.)

2. Administrative Installations - Category 1)

- a. Normally under Italian command.
- b. Includes troops for administration, supply etc., as specified in letter this Hq, AQ/8 dated 29th July.

- c. Limitations prescribed in letter, this Hq, AQ/2 dated 23rd June, apply to following units :

War Ministry
GRANATIER Battalion acting as guard and escort of Royal Household.
Royal Military Academy.
Comando Supremo (SAC) less SIM units carried under Category (5c.)

- d. The ceiling of 27,000 will not be exceeded, and will include personnel assigned to the units under this category who are absent for any reason from the unit to which assigned.

- e. Information Centres (Formerly Transit Camps) on Mainland only, maximum of 3 all ranks per Centre in 27 Centres.

3. Combat Formations - Category (2)

- a. The ceiling includes all troops, detachments, or individuals, assigned to or earmarked for inclusion in Combat formations, including C.I.L. as presently constituted.

- b. Includes personnel undergoing training.

- c. Includes 185 Parachute Bn, MED BO.

- d. Includes Detachment "A" and attached troops.

4. Service Units Under Allied Command - Category (3)

- a. General.

- (1) Variations between the subdivisions of Category (3) will be the subject of Allied orders. Personnel surplus in one particular sub category will be retained and counted against the deficiency in another category.

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4. Service Units Under Allied Command - Category (3) (CONT'D.)

Sheet 2.

a. General (Contd.)

- (2) The figures shown do not include CC, RR attached to any formation included.
- (3) No demobilisation of any personnel presently assigned to this category except in accordance letter this HQ, AQ/17 of 20 Jun.
- (4) May include personnel in SARDINIA, or elsewhere earmarked for inclusion in this category.
- (5) Personnel surplus to other categories who are qualified for service will be earmarked for inclusion in this category within the ceiling.

b. Allied Garrison SARDINIA - Category (3c.)

This is the 205 Div now organised in SARDINIA, with a total strength of 9,000 all ranks. This strength will be maintained.

c. British Command - Category (3d)

Includes troops now assigned to:

1. F.H.Q.
2. A.A.T.
3. EIGHTH ARMY.
4. POCORPS.
5. 1. District.
6. 2. District.
7. 3. District.

5. AA & CD - Category (4)

Includes all AA & CD as shown in this H.Q. Letter, G/3 of 4 Aug.

6. Internal Security Troops - Category (5)

a. A.C.C. - Category (5a)

Includes units presently under command A.C.C., less 13 and 164 Mine Clearance Companies which are on temporary loan to A.C.C. and which will be absorbed into Category 2.

b. Guard Battalions - Category (5b)

18 Guard Battalions - strength 300 all ranks -

- (1) Organised in six "Guard Regiments", numbered 1 - 6
- (2) Three battalions

- b. Allied Garrison SARDINIA - Category (3c.)
 This is the 205 Div now organised in SARDINIA, with a total strength of 9,000 all ranks. This strength will be maintained.
- c. British Command - Category (3d.)

Includes troops now assigned to:

- 1. F.B.Q.
- 2. A.A.I.
- 3. LIGHT ARTY.
- 4. FORCERS.
- 1. District.
- 2. District.
- 3. District.

5. All & CD - Category (4)

- Includes all All & CD as shown in this H.Q. letter, G/3 of 4 Aug.
 6. Internal Security Troops - Category (5)

a. A.C.C. - Category (5a)

Includes units presently under command A.C.C., less 13 and 164 Mine Clearance Companies which are on temporary loan to I.C.C. and which will be absorbed into Category 2.

b. Guard Battalions - Category (5b.)

18 Guard Battalions - strength 800 all ranks -

- (1) Organised in six "Guard Regiments", numbered 1 - 6
- (2) The battalions will be numbered 501 - 518 inclusive, to be maintained at a strength of 800, with reinforcements being assigned for this purpose.
- (3) 506 - 517 Guard Battalion will be designated by you on a strength of 800 all ranks.
- (4) 518 Guard Battalion, will for the time being, include the following units with present designations and estimated strength, plus another unit to be organised by you to bring the strength of the battalion to 800 all ranks : -

contd Sheet 3/...

6. Internal Security Troops - Category (5) (CONTD.)

b. Covered Battalions - Category (5b) (CONTD.)

(4) (CONTD.)

550 Train Guard Coy	6	-	146
107 Bn Territorial	27	-	171
5 Coy 120 Regt	6	-	155
520 Guard Company	5	-	77
New Unit.	5	-	202
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	49	-	751
	---	---	---

(5) Six Regimental HQs, each with a strength of 40 all ranks, will be organised for the administration of those battalions. The personnel will be included under category (5b). As those battalions will generally be under Allied Operational Command, the function of the Regimental HQ will be administrative only, and the assignment of battalions to regiments will vary according to the actual location of the battalions.

c. SICILY - Category (5c)

- (1) Includes all elements of SIC under Allied command including personnel from Army, Navy, Air Force, CC, RA, all of which will be incorporated in Army.
- (2) Exact instructions will be given later respecting this organisation.

d. Tro Divisions - SICILY - Category (5d.)

- (1) See Appendix "C" for organisation of Garrison in SICILY.
- (2) Tech Division to be organised in accordance with Appendix "B" from elements of present SUBAUAD Div.
- (3) Surplus specialist personnel can be transferred to Paisland for inclusion in other categories, within the coalition. Surplus personnel not transferred to other categories will be demobilised.

e. One Division SARDINA - Category (5e.)

- (1) See Appendix "D" for organisation of Garrison in SARDINA.
- (2) Divisions to be organised in accordance with

(as personnel)
will be included under category (5b.) As
these battalions will generally be under Allied
Operational Command, the function of the Regi-
mental Hq will be administrative only, and the
assignment of battalions to regiments will vary
according to the actual location of the battal-
ions.

c. SIM - Category (5c)

- (1) Includes all elements of SIM under allied command including personnel from Army, Navy, Air Forces, CO, HQ, all of which will be incorporated in Army.
- (2) Exact instructions will be given later affecting this organisation.

d. Two Divisions - SICILY - Category (5d.)

- (1) See Appendix "C" for organisation of Garrison in SICILY.
- (2) Each Division to be organised in accordance with Appendix "B" prior elements of present SARDINA Div.
- (3) Surplus specialist personnel can be transferred to mainland for inclusion in other categories, within the ceiling. Surplus personnel not transferred to other categories will be demobilised.

e. One Division SARDINA - Category (5e.)

- (1) See Appendix "D" for organisation of Garrison in SARDINA.
- (2) Division to be organised in accordance with Appendix "B" from elements of present CALABRIA Div and ~~THE~~ include personnel of the:
Port Security Battalion, Cagliari,
236 Inf Regiment.

f. Internal Security Troops - Category (5f.)

- (1) Includes troops assigned to defence of vital points in CALABRIA and maintaining the L of C in CALABRIA.
- (2) Includes Regimental Headquarters for Guard Battalions of Category (5b.)

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Sheet 4.

6. Internal Security Troops - Category (5) (CONT'D)

f. Internal Security Troops - Category (5c) (CONT'D.)

- (3) Does not include any personnel employed in Area, District or other Headquarters, not specifically authorised by this HQ, or in transit camps operation, or operation of depots.
- (4) All troops in this category will be subject to direct Allied Command as ordered from time to time.

7. Reinforcements - Category (6)

- a. Includes all personnel within the ceiling which cannot be specifically assigned to units or categories.
- b. Will include Liaison and Interpreters Unit to be organised, which will include all Liaison and Interpreter personnel, not ~~organised~~ assigned to other categories.

8. CC, PR - Category (7)

Includes CC, PR organically assigned to military formations. These will be shown separately on Strength Returns.

9. Garrison in SICILY.

Reference Appendix "C":

- (1) Reduction will be effected without delay.
- (2) Various categories of parts of the Garrison are shown in Appendix "C".
- (3) Strengths shown include all Army personnel to remain in SICILY.

10. Garrison in SARDINA

Reference Appendix "D":

- (1) Various categories of parts of the Garrison are shown in Appendix "D".
- (2) All personnel in SARDINA surplus to the ceiling fixed will either:
 - a. Be carried for inclusion in the other categories and eventually transferred to Mainland.
 - b. Be demobilised if their homes are in

- a. Includes all personnel within the ceiling which cannot be specifically assigned to units or categories.
- b. Will include Liaison and Interpreter Unit to be organised, which will include all Liaison and Interpreter personnel, not ~~organically~~ assigned to other categories.

8. CC,RR - Category "C"

Includes CC,RR organically assigned to military formations. These will be shown separately on Strength Returns.

9. Garrison in SICILY.

Reference Appendix "C":

- (1) Reduction will be effected without delay.
- (2) Various categories of parts of the Garrison are shown in Appendix "C".
- (3) Strengths shown include all army personnel to remain in SICILY.

10. Garrison in SARDINIA

Reference Appendix "D":

- (1) Various categories of parts of the Garrison are shown in Appendix "D".
- (2) All personnel in SARDINIA surplus to the ceiling fixed will either:
 - a. Be earmarked for inclusion in the other categories and eventually transferred to Mainland.
 - b. Be demobilised if their homes are in SARDINIA.
 - c. Be formed into units of "congondan" to be brought to the mainland for demobilisation in accordance with orders which will be issued when the numbers are known.

11. Strength Returns of the Italian Army will show each individual or unit in a definite category, in accordance with para 1.

12. Not later than 25 August a list of Units carried under categories (1),(2),(4),(5) and (6) and those retained for Category (3) showing:

cont'd Sheet 5/.....

Sheet 5.

12. (CONT'D.)

- a. Designation of Unit and category.
- b. Authorised strength.
- c. Present location.
- d. Actual strength including personnel temporarily absent.
- e. Ration Depot from which rations are to be drawn in the month of September;

- will be submitted to this Hq. Units in those categories will, after 31st August, be authorised to draw rations only as specifically approved by this Hq, in the number and from the Ration Depot specified.

tvs. C.P.K.
cncls.

Major General,
Army Sub Comn, A.C.C.

APPENDIX "A" to
MHA letter C/6/1/F
dated 15 Aug 44

ITALIAN ARMY

1.	Administrative Installations	27,000
2.	Combat formations, including C.I.L.	57,000
3.	Service Units under Allied Command	
(a)	P.B.S.	51,000
(b)	FIFTH Army	10,000
(c)	Allied Garrison SARDINIA	9,000
(d)	Allied Garrison CORSICA	5,000
(e)	British Command	93,000
4.	A.A. & C.D.	9,000
5.	Internal Security troops, including	
(a)	A.C.C.	3,000
(b)	18 Guard Battalions(800)	11,400
(c)	S.I.M.	1,500
(d)	2 Divs SICILY	10,000
(e)	1 Div SARDINIA	5,000
(f)	Internal Security troops	4,100
6.	Reinforcements, sick in hospital, not assigned to units, and unassigned personnel, including Liaison Officers, Interpreters, etc.	10,000
7.	CC.RR, including CC.RR assigned to Military Government Formations.	55,000
		<u>364,000</u>

IMPORTANT NOTES

- A. It is stressed that the above categories are solely for the purpose of current planning and can NOT be regarded as final.
- B. All strengths shown above are the total establishments of units and include all personnel assigned whether present or absent, on leave, without leave, in hospital, etc.

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APPENDIX "B" to
MTA letter G/6/1/P
dated 15 AUG 44

INTERNAL SECURITY DIVISION

ORGANISATION

1 Division Hq		
2 Brigade Hqs		
4 Inf Regiments		
1 Engineer and Signal Bn		
1 Medical Unit		
1 Supply and Ordnance Unit		
1 M.T. Unit		
Div Hq(HQ and Staff)(excluding CO,RR)	100	
2 Brigade HQs(HQ and HQ Platoons)each	25	50
Infantry Regiment(HQ and HQ Platoon)	34	
2 Inf Bns(HQ and HQ Plt 14 x 2)	88	
4 Rifle Co(124 x 4)	496	
2 Sigs Co(150 x 2)	300	
1 Regt Sp Co(6 MG and 6 Mortars)	170	
 	1088	
Total 4 Inf Regts		4352
Engineer and Signal Bn HQ	15	
Engr Company	146	
Signal Company	162	
 	323	323
Medical Unit	75	
Supply and Ordnance Unit	25	
M.T. Unit	75	
 	5000	

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APPENDIX "C" to
MILIA letter G/6/1/P
dated 15 Aug 44

ITALIAN Army Garrison in SICILY (less CO.RR)

Under F.M.L.I. Comd

Military HQ SICILY -	Cat (1)	150
SEGUADA Div	- Cat (5d)	5,000
" "	" "	<u>5,000</u>

SERVICES - Cat (1)

Commissariato	Offrs	Ors	
Sussistenza. One Regional HQ with attached officers	15	30	15
One Sussistenza Coy	2	-	3
One Bulk Supply Depot	2	18	20
One Bakery	3	30	33
Three Distribution Depots	2	8	10
Vestario	2	10	60
Casermaggio }(-	8	45	53
Equipaggiamento }			
Medical			
Details will be advised separately	50	350	400
One M.T. Ambulance Section	1	40	41

Under Allied Comd

900 Lav Artiori Coy -	Cat (30)	152
145 A.A. Group	- Cat (4)	150
		<u>11,117</u>

NOTE. Personnel for Movement Control and any other service may be recommended by Ministry of War for separate consideration.

*c/

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APPENDIX "D" to
MIL letter C/6/1/F
dated 15 Aug 1944

ITALIAN Army Garrison in SARDINIA
(less OC.RR)

Under ITALIAN Comd

Military in SARDINIA	- Cat (1)	150
ORLAFITA Div	- Cat (50)	5,000

SERVICES - Cat (1)

	Offrs	COrs	
Commissariato			
Sussistenza. One Regional HQ with attached officers	15	30	45
One Sussistenza Ocy	4	-	4
One Fort Detachment	2	18	20
One Bulk Supply Depot	2	15	17
Three Distribution Depots	3	30	33
One Bakery	2	18	60
Vestario	2	8	16
Casermanaggio } Equipaggiamento } (-	10	36	46
Medical			
Details will be advised separately	82	598	600
One M.T. Ambulance Section	1	40	41
Motor Transportation (att to 205 Div) Two M.T. Platoons	1	36	71

Under ALLIED Comd (ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION)

205 Div - Cat (30)	9,000
AA & CD - Cat (4)	5,388
	20,568

NOTE. Personnel for Movement Control and any other service may be recommended by Ministry of War for separate consideration.

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ARMY FORM C.212B

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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OR.

Office Date Stamp

CALL
AND
INSTRUCTIONS

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TO COLONEL ALBERT MATA LO SICILY

4 SEPT. 1944

FROM

MATA

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

CONFIDENTIAL (.) REFERENCE YOUR 696/2 (.) THIS IS YOUR AUTHORITY TO RELEASE

RATIONS FOR ISSUES TO THE 503 ITALIAN LINE SECTION NOT TO EXCEED 2 OF OFFICERS AND

67 MEN (.)

ref 36

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means

or (Except)

(.....) Wireless

Signature

This Message must be sent IN
CIPHER if liable to interception
or to fall into enemy hands

Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Rose Immediate

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or Originator may delete "Except" and insert "including." (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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FROM ALBERT MMIA TO SICILY
TO MAIN HQ MMIA ROME

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RESTRICTED (.) REFERENCED OUR 696/1 OF 1 SEPT. (.) 56 AREA URGENTLY
REQUEST RATIONS FOR 500 ITALIAN LINE SECTION, 2 OFFICERS AND 85
OFFICER RANKS ARRIVED SICILY TODAY (.) (RECEIVED MMIA TO SICILY TO HQ
HQ MMIA ROME CITE 696/2) URGENTLY REQUESTS INSTRUCTIONS.

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4/11/44

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Military H.Q. of Sicily, Commissary H.Q.,
1st Section.



Strength return, strength rationed on August 21, 1944.

Depot	Army		Air Force	Navy	Total
	: CC.RR.	: Gr Units			
Palermo D.D.	3364	4999	513	750	9626
Caltanissetta D.D.	502	2608	---	---	3110
Catania D.D.	930	2150	468	3712	7260
Enna D.D.	545	719	---	---	1264
Messina D.D.	1069	1373	---	595	3037
Syracuse D.D.	731	1132	---	---	1863
Total	7141	12981	981	5057	26160

Agreeable and ready
but SMRT required
G.C. 5/9.

MCB 5
M. 8/8/44
A. M. C. 8/8/44

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~~MBAY~~ ALBERT MMIA L O' SICILY
 FROM ALBERT MMIA L O' SICILY
 TO MAIN HQ MMIA ROME
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M.M.I.A.	2062
FILE REF:	215
Date Recd:	1/1/44

Elle C. M. A.



RESTRICTED FIVE ZERO EIGHT ITALIAN LINE SEC CMA TWO OFFICERS
 AND EIGHT FIVE OS ARRIVING SOONEST IN SICILY TO UNDER
 ADM COMMAND FIVE SIX AREA CMA TO RELIEVE POW SIGNAL UNIT PD
 PAREN ALBERT MMIA LO SICILY TO MAIN HQ MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN
 ARMY CITE SIX NINE SIX SLANT ONE PAREN WE HAVE NO RPT NO AUTHORITY
 TO FURNISH RATIONS FOR SAME PD REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS

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FROM ETC

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Liaison Office, US Embassy, Saigon, RVN
Subject: US Embassy Saigon Report

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Subject: US Embassy Saigon Report.

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H, DC, SA, US Embassy, (SAE).

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27 August 1968

US Embassy Saigon Report

R. Johnson

4. Recommendations to follow-up this note:

- (a) Your suggestion to "gather more information" is correct. This will be done by the US Embassy Saigon through its own collection and through the US Consulate General in Hong Kong. The US Consulate General in Hong Kong has been informed of this request and will take steps to assist in gathering information. It is recommended that the US Embassy Saigon also consider the following:

- (b) Is there any legal basis of AIA (USAID) funds and USOD funds available to US Embassy Saigon? Should not such funds be converted into US Embassy Saigon funds? This would facilitate the use of these funds for US Embassy Saigon's own purposes. It is recommended that the US Embassy Saigon contact the US Consulate General in Hong Kong for further information on this subject.
- (c) Is there any legal basis of AIA (USAID) funds and USOD funds available to US Embassy Saigon? This would facilitate the use of these funds for US Embassy Saigon's own purposes. It is recommended that the US Embassy Saigon contact the US Consulate General in Hong Kong for further information on this subject.
- (d) Suggest you discuss with US Embassy Saigon (USAID) Board, US Embassy Saigon, over US Area Operations and advise us results.

R. Johnson

- Our first letter will, we think, show that Italian officers concerned in our
present, difficult position, request you to do what you can to help us.
In particular, you might be able to do something to help us in getting
Italian authorities to release our men who have been arrested.
(a) Is there any way of getting Italian authorities to release our men
without causing trouble in Italy? If so, we would like to know what
you propose to do.
- (b) To whom can we apply for a visa (or similar) to go to Italy? Who
can issue such a visa? What documents do we need?
- (c) How long will it take to get a visa? When can we expect to receive it?
All this information is important, as we have to get it before we can leave.
We hope you will be able to help us.

*J. S. Barnet
Hayes*

Mr. S. J. Hayes,
Lt. Col., USA
Area Control Center, (U.S.A.)
1947, Army Sub Committee
Declassified before publication

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R.C.C.

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM: WIA

TO : WIA TO SICLW

Date REC. 25.73 Y.B.

ST/307 SUBJECT D(.) REFER OUR 30/303 12 AUG (.)

RATION WIA TO BE PULLED FROM RAPI NOT RFT NOT
TARANTO (.)This message may be sent by any Degree of Priority
means except wireless.

Routine.

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Copy to:- "A" WIA. May 20 WIA.

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Army Sub Commission AGC
 (I.A.) L.O. Sicily
 AGC Sicily Region HQ.
 AFHQ 664

21231

(Wing)
 No. 607

11 Aug 1944

Subject: Rations for Italian Armed Forces in Sicily -
 Duration Dates

To : QOC Army Sub Commission AGC (AMLA)
 Attention: S & I Branch

1. The attached chart showing estimated duration dates was calculated on a basis of average daily feeding strength of 27,000. Stocks shown are those remaining on hand 9 Aug. To these we have added quantities of food supplies now in the process of being received from Toronto.

GEORGE L ROBINSON
 Major C S
 for Lt Col L O Sicily.

Encl: Duration Date Chart (Lu.)

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DETAILED WEIGHTS OF CARGO		LOADING AND UNLOADING		CARGO		WEIGHTS	
ITEM	QUANTITY	TYPE	TIME	PORT	TIME	WEIGHT	UNLOADING
1	100,544 lbs	112,000 kgs	212,500 kgs	37,000 lbs	005.	2	Matchees
2	100,544 lbs	112,000 kgs	212,500 kgs	37,000 lbs	005.	2	Surgeon
3	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,500 lbs	-	-	Coffins
4	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Pegs
5	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Chains
6	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welded Gauze
7	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
8	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Plates
9	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
10	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
11	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
12	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
13	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
14	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
15	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
16	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
17	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
18	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
19	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
20	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
21	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
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23	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
24	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds
25	100,400 lbs	-	-	100,400 lbs	-	-	Welds

Subject:- Maintenance of Italian Army in S. Y.

Army Sub Commission (NNDC),
B.B. AGO, 1945.
22/23/45.

Mrs. Gen. Commissario,
Italian Govt. Ministry.

Copy to:- MGA ID, TARANTO.
MGA ID, NAPLES.
AGO, 56 AGO.
"C" MGA.
MAG, ID, NAPLES.

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12 copy to M.

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1. In order to maintain the ration requirements of the Italian Army Forces in SICILY you are requested to make available and dispatched by rail from the Headquarters Depot TARANTO the following rations:-

ITEM AMOUNT	AMOUNT TO BE DISPATCHED.
Flour	420,000 lbs Net.
W. Meat or Fish	100,000 "
Veg. Dried.	25,000 "
Veg. Dried Pulses	75,000 "
Onions	25,000 "
Pepper	175 "
Mustard	105,000 "
Olives	25,000 "
Butter	25,000 Pounds.

The above amounts are calculated on a strength of 25,000 and represent 20 days supply.

Movement of the above to take place as soon as possible in order to reach SICILY by first August 45.

2. Demand for rail transportation from Headquarters Depots to NNDC should be made to G.M.R.L. (Italian Transport) for the usual routes quoting this letter as authority.

3. Movement by road from NNDC to TARANTO or any other destination will be undertaken by Italian transport whenever possible. If road transport is required it is your responsibility to obtain bids to AGO, ID, 56 AGO.

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S. L. Penning

D. L. PENNING.
Ld. Off. 1945.
AGO, Army Sub Commission, (NNDC).

22/23

21/2/21
Subject:- Commissariato Organizzazione - SICILY.

J.L.
Army Sub Com. AGO.
(MILIT.) REGT.
Ref. No. 57/53/3

3/ July 1942.

Mrsn. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian Far East.

Copy to:- MILA TO, SICILY.
10th JULY.

1. It has been decided that Sicily shall be maintained for foodstuffs from the mainland of Italy.
For this purpose the Island will be based on the Montecatini Depot at Pozzuoli.

2. Consistent upon this decision it is felt advisable to modify the present Layout of Commissariato (Supply) Depots in the Island and the following is suggested.

- (a) The Bulk Depot to be established at Messina.
- (b) Distribution Depots to be established at:-

Catania.

Burn.

Palestro.

3. The Messina Bulk Depot should be well served, as it is intended to consign foodstuffs on Montecatini by rail to Reggio for transport to mainland on the Reggio - Messina Ferry.
Further the military to S. Stefano is operating and the line to Catania can be expected to come into operation during this year.

4. There are at present Distribution Depots at both Burn and Palestro.
In view of the short distance between the two this is felt to be unnecessary.
The reason given is lack of transport, but will you consider the question with a view to having only one Depot, at Burn, and to the use of small drawn carts by such units as have no motor transport.

5. Please let this info have your comments at an early date.

J. L. General

2. Consistent upon this decision it, is felt advisable to modify the present layout of General Service (Supply) Depots in the Island and the following is suggested.

(a) The Bulk Depot to be established at Messina.

(b) Distribution Depots to be established at:

Ostuni,

Bari,

Palermo.

3. The Messina Bulk Depot should be well served, as it is intended to consist in Foodstuff's ex Montaukett by rail to Reggio for movement to Sicily further the military to S. Stefano is operating and the line to Catania can be expected to come into operation during this year.

4. There are at present Distribution Depots at both Siena and Caltagirone. In view of the short distance between the two this is felt to be unadvisable. The reason given in lack of transport, but will you consider the question with a view to having only one Depot, at Bari, and to the use of rail or road circuits by such units as have no motor transport.

5. Please let this do your comments as early as possible.

J. A. L.

20/26

S. L. French
Lt. Col. G.H.C.
ASST. Chief Staff Comptroller, ADG.

2172 Army
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

CEP/CC

7031

FILE : RES 680
 SUBJECT : Loan of Rations
 TO : Lt. Col. L.R. Albert, M.M.I.A. Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
 Liaison Officer, Sicily, c/o H.Q., I.B.S.



1. It is agreed to release from A.C.C. Stocks on loan to the Italian Army, the following rations:

2300 cases M & V Stew
 (24/30 oz. cans per cs)
 1000 cases Pork Luncheon Meat
 (9/6 lbs. cans per cs)

2. This quantity is to be replaced by the Italian Army when their stocks arrive.

For the Regional Commissioner,

b.E. Perry Capt. C.M.P.
 for H. DRING,
 Major
 Director, Economics
 and Supply Division.

Cpy to: Q.M., I.B.S.

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Subject- Maintenance of Italian Forces in Sicily.

Army and Navy, 100.
(NATO), 100.
37/33/3.

29 July 1943

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Copy to:- MIL Factor 10, c/o 39, 92, 52 Area.
MIL, 10, c/o HQ, Supply Region 400.
*39 MIL.
Nav. 10, MIL.

1. It has been requested that stocks of the following items in Italy are not sufficient to meet the Italian forces requirements.
2. Will you therefore please arrange for the urgent despatch by rail from the Taranto Depot to Reggio via ferry to Messina the amounts as shown below:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount to be despatched</u>
Flour	420,000 lbs net.
Pepper	175 "
Dishes	75,000 "
Macaroni	105,000 "
Flax	55,000 "
Rustico Category	17,500 "
Matches	112,000 Boxes

- The above amounts are calculated on a strength of 28,000 and represent 20 days supply.
- Movement by road from Messina to Catania will be undertaken by Italian transport where-ever possible.
3. If road transport assistance is required it is your responsibility to submit bids to 400 HQ, 52 Area.
 4. Please take immediate action in order that these supplies may reach their destination at a very early date.

DR/BS

J. L. PEARCE
Lieut. Col., DSO,
AOE, Army War Commission, 400.

From the Romano Depot to Reggio via fury to Messina the amounts to store
below:

Yours,

Amounts to be furnished.

Fling	420,000 lbs. meat.
Pork	175 " "
Cheese	35,000 " "
Mecaroni	100,000 " "
Rice	35,000 " "
Tomato Canning	17,500 " "
Notables	142,000 boxes

The above amounts are calculated on a strength of 20,000 and represent
20 days supply.
Requirements by rail from Messina to Catania will be undertaken by Italian
transport where-ever possible.

3. If road transport assistance is required it is your responsibility to
submit bids to AGO HQ, SC Army.
4. Please take immediate action in order that these supplies may reach
their destination at a very early date.



J. L. French
Lt. Col. USA
AGM, Army Ordnance Commission, AGO.

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO REGION ONE for ALTB & 1st Dist Two for MIA
FROM

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for ROSE O ACC releasing on loan O first O
Two THREE ZERO ZERO Cases M.F.W. Second O
One ZERO ONE ZERO Cases P.M.E.A.T. O the
quantity is to be replaced by ITI ARMY whom
their stocks arrive

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SUBJNOTE: Rations issued to Italian Armed Forces
in Sicily from AGC stocks. 2/12

(490) Army Sub Comd, AGC,
(mail), Roma.
22/58/44.

Direz. Com. Commissariato,
Italian Far East Area

25 Jul. 44.

Copy to: SMAI HQ, Sicily (year 500, 17 Jul 44, refire).
AGC HQ, Food Sub Commission. (+)
MTIA Sector HQ, Taranto.

"CH, MTIA."

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1. The following items and amounts have been issued to the Italian Armed Forces in Sicily from AGC stocks on the dates stated:

met lk.

23 May 44 - Canned Fish - 40,320 lbs.
10 Jul 44 - Canned meat - 157,500 lbs.

2. Please make these amounts available in your Montecatini depot at Taranto for subsequent return to AGC.

3. Information will be given you by this HQ in due course of the AGC depot to which they are to be returned.

4. Please inform this office the date these rations will be ready for handing over.

N. L. Verner
D.L.F. POLYMER
AGC HQ, ROMA.

(+) Will you please inform this office the AGC Depot where rations are required. It is requested you will collect from Montecatini depot.)

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ARMY FORM C-2130
(Pads of 100)

MESSAGE FORM

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TO *CC NATUSA*
FROM *NATUSA*OK Serial No.
No. of Grams
GR 741

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In Reply to Number:

Originator's Number
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Date

Signed *CC NATUSA* CIO NAQMC OConcurred in shipment of Italian ration to
 Tomb in the subject ORef AM cable N° G4 360 dated 9 Jul. ORequest direct
 reply be made to AMI info this HQ and US OConcurs that ration for
 Italian military personnel on Tomb should be shipped to mainland and
 that ration be cash-barged from mainland by MAFIA.

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Signed *K.L.S.*

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TO AFTM REPEAT SOS ^(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)
FROM AAI

S 6 Originator's Number Date In Reply to Number

64-360 Confidential Following is extract paraphrase of signal from MMIA. ① Quote ② Rations requisitioned by SOS are not in fact arriving in Sicily as set up but are scheduled by SOS to be met from VBS stocks which do NOT always exist in quantities and items required. Italian rations in Sicily exhausted in next few days.

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days and its stocks do not exist for transfer. Emergency stocks being shipped from mainland. Reserves in main land such that no unnecessary supplies can be shipped out. Request therefore urgent information arrival date and quantities rations being imported into Sicily. In view difficulties recommend that no rations be imported sicily.

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after August first but Sicily nations be shipped man
 land instead for back haul by mina O'Hanore O'NAN
 concurred in recommendation and requests early
 information on first imports

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE
TO: ACTION C-IN-C AAI FOR INFO CG NATOUS AITA
FROM: CG SOS NATOUS SIGNED LARKIN
REFERENCE NO: LX-32896
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: 11/24/40 1417

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER NO: 5/24
CLASSIFICATION: SECRET
PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: SSQMC-9236 SSADS

AGENCY OTHER THAN SOS BE ACCOMPLISHED SUPPLEMENTING OUR CABLE LX-31026 TO
NATIA, DNEO COPY TO AAI, DATED 13TH JULY, REFERENCE CABLES AG-1677 DATED 7TH
JULY AND ALL CABLE 1912 OF NINETH JULY TO AFHQ ON CONFERENCE WITH MAJOR ROSE,
ITALIA SECTION, ELICITED INFO THAT ITALIAN MILITARY NONCOMBAT SCALE WAS BEING
INTERPRETED AS AUTHORIZING ISSUE OF 2 OUNCES CANNED MEAT AND FOUR OUNCES CANNED
FISH PER RATION INSTEAD OF 2 OUNCES CANNED MEAT OR 4 OUNCES CANNED FISH.
REQUEST APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS BE ISSUED TO LIMIT ISSUES TO 2 OUNCES MEAT OR
4 OUNCES FISH PER RATION PENDING PLACING IN EFFECT OF SINGLE RATION SCALE FOR
ALL ITALIAN MILITARY OF 3 OUNCES CANNED MEAT OR PRESERVED FISH.

RELEASED SUBJECT: DUE TO CLOSING OUT OF IBS, UNLOADING OF SHIPS AND PROVIDING
TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF ITI RATIONS AT DIBO MUST BY SOME: -

No action until instructions
received from A. A. D.
REACQUAINTS
7 AUG 1944
A. C. C., Army S/C
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AGENCY OTHER THAN SOS BE ACCOMPLISHED SUPPLEMENTING OUR CABLE LX-31028 TO
 ITALIA, INFO COPY TO AAI, DATED 13TH JULY, REFERENCE CABLES AQ-1677 DATED 7TH
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 TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE OF ITALIANS AT DIXON MIST BY SOME:-

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A. C. C., Army S/C

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 :Auth: CINC, AF:
 :Initials: WJM :
 :2 January 1944 :

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 2)

10 January 1944

SUBSISTENCE FOR ITALIAN MILITARY

1. The following policy relating to subsistence supplied the Italian military from allied sources is announced for the information and guidance of all concerned:

a. Italian Military—Consists of recognized elements of the Army, Navy, and Air Force and includes the CARBINIERI insofar as the provisions of this policy pertain.

b. Accounting—A summary report of subsistence furnished co-belligerents will be submitted each month to the Chief Accountant of AFHQ in accordance with detailed instructions issued separately. The report will be supported by priced shipping tickets or other appropriate signed receipts.

c. Ration Scales—The two rations, hereinafter referred to as basic and combat, consist of the following components:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Basic Ration</u>	<u>Combat Ration</u>
Whole wheat or	oz.	16	
Flour	"	12	18 *
Pulses	"	2	1½
Canned meat	"	2 **	4 (or preserved fish)
Preserved fish	"	4	
Cheese	"		1
Sugar	"	½	1
Macaroni	"		3
Rice	"		2
Beans, dried	"		2
Tomato catsup or paste	"		½
Coffee	"	½	½
Pepper	"	1/200	1/200
Matches (weekly issue) book or box			4 00
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* Bread or biscuits to scale may be substituted as necessary.

** May be increased to 4 oz. when engaged in heavy manual labor.

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Additional to be procured, stocked and furnished by Italian military.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Basic Ration</u>	<u>Combat Ration</u>
Fruit	oz.	4	4
Fresh Vegetables	"	8	8
Olive Oil	"	1	1
Wine	litre	½	½
Nuts	oz.	1	1
Salt	"	½	½
Fresh Onions	"	2	2

Yeast and other bread making ingredients as required. Where it is impracticable to supply the above items from Italian sources to Italian troops forward of Army rear boundaries, substitutions from Allied stocks of suitable equivalents except for canned fruit, are authorized.

d. Issue of Rations—In order that several services of the Italian military may be issued rations on a consistent basis the applicable ration scale, dependent upon conditions of service, is prescribed below:

- (1) The combat scale will be furnished:
 - (a) Elements of the Italian Army operating in areas forward of Army rear boundaries.
 - (b) Elements of the Italian Air Force performing combat duties.
 - (c) Ships of the Italian Navy performing combat duties.
- (2) The basic ration will be furnished:
 - (a) Elements of the Italian Army in rear of Army rear boundaries.
 - (b) Elements of the Italian Air Force other than those prescribed in (1) (b) above.
 - (c) Ships of the Italian Navy other than those prescribed in (1) (c) above and all naval shore installations.

(3) Pending the arrival of supplies specially requisitioned on the basis of the above scales, issues will be based in principle thereon, but alternatives may be substituted where necessary in accordance with instructions issued through supply service channels.

3. Prisoners of War—The above-listed ration scales are not applicable to Italian prisoners of war, who will be furnished subsistence in accordance with ration scales previously announced.

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ADM. MEMO. NO. 2 (cont'd)

i. Civilians--The above listed ration scales are not applicable to civilians. Civilians will not be furnished subsistence from Allied and Italian military stocks without authority of this headquarters, except in emergencies when the D/GAO, AFHQ Advanced Administrative Echelon may authorize necessary issues.

j. Hospitals--Italian Army, Naval, and Air Force personnel who are patients in British or United States Army hospitals will be furnished the normal hospital ration, including the hospital ration supplement issued to other patients in the hospitals.

h. Individuals, Liaison Officers, and Missions--These instructions are not applicable to individuals, liaison groups, or missions which are on duty with or attached to United States Army or British Army organizations or headquarters where conditions make it more appropriate for such individuals, groups, or missions to be subsisted in regular United States Army or British Army messes.

i. Cigarettes or Tobacco--will be furnished from Italian sources for those Italian combat and line of communications troops on duty with the Allied Armies. The scale of issue will be that of the Italian Army.

j. Post Exchange or MAFI Supplies--are not authorized for issue or sale to the Italian military.

k. The above instruction will likewise apply, where authorized, to other co-belligerent military forces.

2. Separate instructions are being issued by this headquarters on the procedure for handling rations and clothing for the Italian military.

By command of General WILSON:

/s/ H. V. Roberts,
/t/ H. V. ROBERTS,
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

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Subject: Maintenance of Italian Forces in Sicily.

Army Sub Comd. AGC.
(NATO) None.
S2/33/3.

Italian War Ministry.

24 July 44.

Copy to: N.Y.A. Sector HQ, c/o ST, P., SC Area,
NATO, HQ, c/o HQ, Supply Region AGC,
N.Y.A. HQ, Nov. 12, 1944.

1. It has been reported that weights of the following items in Sicily are not sufficient to meet the Italian Forces regulations when the very Single Battalion Scale is brought into effect as from 1st August 44.
2. Would you therefore please arrange for the despatch by rail from the Taranto Depot to Reggio via Fiume to measure the amounts as shown below:-

Items
Amounts to be despatched.

Pcs or Pkns	Weight
Magnoni	80314 lbs nett.
Rice	80314 "
Cheese "rd	26771 "
Tomato Paste	26771 "
Potato	15326 "
	434 "

The above amounts are calculated on a strength of 23,556 and represent 45 days supply.
Arranged by rail from Reggio to Catania will be undertaken by Italian transport where ever possible.

3. If road transport assistance is required it is your responsibility to submit bills to AGC, HQ, SC Area.
4. Please take immediate action in order that these supplies reach their destination before August 1st 1944.

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J. C. L. *[Signature]*
J. C. L. *[Signature]*
Lt. Col. J. C. L. *[Signature]*
AGC, Army Sub Commission, AGC.

4. It has been found that stocks of the following items in strictly
are not sufficient to meet the Tri-Jian Forces requirements when the New
Single Ration Scale is brought into effect as from 1st August 44.

2. Would you therefore please arrange for the despatch by rail from the
Toronto Depot to Nepean via Fury to Messina the amounts to show below:-

Item Quantity to be despatched.

Pean or Beans	80314 lbs nett.
Macaroni	80314 " "
Rices	26771 " "
Cheese 1/2 lb	26771 " "
Tomato Paste	15386 " "
Pasta	124, " "

The above amounts are calculated on a strength of 23,556 and represent
15 days supply.
Movement by road from Messina to Catania will be undertaken by Italian
transport where ever possible.

3. If road transport assistance is required it is your responsibility to
arrange this to hand in 56 hours.

4. Please take immediate action in order that these supplies reach their
destination before August 1st 1944.

A. L. Penney
July 1
R. J. Fisher
Lt. Col. RASQ,
1067, Army 3rd Commission, 433.

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO HQ REGION 1 REC (for MIA/PA 60)

*Copy - Q*FROM *MM+A* ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER *ST/254* DATE *17* IN REPLY TO NUMBER

Confidential NATUSA HAVE AUTHORIZED RELEASE OF
 150 (150) TONS MEAT FROM REC SICILY
 FOR RELIEF FORCES CONTRACT REC AND
 ARRANGE IN TONNE DELIVERY. Report situation

1488a GHQFP 7-48

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(.....) Wireless

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~~NAME: CYRUS~~

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FROM AAI 110930Z

TO DIA

INFO SGS WATOUS

~~RECD BY BT~~

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CONFIDENTIAL X YOU HAVE LETTER SUBJECT

MEK AND FISH FOR ITALIAN MILITARY

FILE 431 PAREN SECSEC-FABER-20,

JUNE FROM SUS X ANY REPLY

TO BE MADE TO AAI X HAVE

QUANTITIES LISTED ACTUALLY BEEN RECEIVED IN YOUR DEPOTS

AND DO THEY MEET REQUIREMENTS THIS

AUGUST QUESTION IF SO CANNOT UNDERSTAND

YOUR URGENT INQUIRIES ON ARRIVALS

AND LACK OF RESERVES X LAST SENTENCE

YOUR AC 1677 APPLIES

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From: CG SOS Natousa.

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To : AAI MMIA.

LX-30659 Confidential

SSQMC-3010

"UNABLE COMPLY LX-2972I cite SSQMC-2913 AUTHORIZING
TRANSFER CANNED MEATS DUE TO I B S CLOSING AND
REMAINING STOCKS TRANSFERRED TO NAVY (.)

Above is paraphrase of IBS cable S-12225 cite IBSQM 649 dated
6 July

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5326 Amys
Loy

R-966-12
already 212 N 555/13
reported

Report back after 5326

Attn: MATE 1 LFKD MR 3877442

FRO: MTA

To ACC AGV

At 1703 CONFIDENTIAL COFOR "MIA" FOR KERR R.
SITUATION BEGUN - MUCH AND MORE CONFUSED

CONSIDER QUITE ESSENTIAL GEORGE FOUR CALLS

IMMEDIATE CONFERENCE OF S.H.I.A.

CORSA AIRUSA

HIS SES IN A YOUNG AI ORDER

CLARIFY POSITION

FOLLOWING ARE EXAMPLES OF
DIFFICULTIES S.O.C.

NATIONAL RELEASES STOCKS FROM

LESS WHIPLSS HAVE ALREADY GIVEN AWAY

US NAVY ~~WHA~~ +

AGFA CAMS NOT RPT AS IT

MADE REQUISITIONS OF SCS

MATUSA ON P.E. IS A R.K.

>ALARM WITH QUANTITIES NEEDED TO FEED

ACTION

LIST
 (AC) PRIMYS
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WADQUARTERS

CONFIDENTIAL AND MORE CONFUSED
IMMEDIATE CONFERENCE OF H.M.A.
CHINA AIRCRAFT

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Clarify position
 following after examples of
 difficulties SOS
 various releasing stocks from
 US units have already given away
 to US Navy ~~not~~
 this can be rpt not
 make requisitions of SOS
 balance on P.E.B.S.A.R.K
 various selling C.J
 complete inability of
 China to guess what are SOS
 various plans for
 future

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ARMY FORM C 236 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 19

Call Srl. No. Priority

Transmission Instructions

AF-2/12

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FROM

Originator

Date-Time of Origin.

Office Date Stamp

(A)

MTA

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For Action.

ACC Adv

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. GR

ST MTA

Originator's No.

- 1703 Confidential (.) For MTA for KIN(.) ration situation becomes more and more confused (.) consider quite essential George Four calls immediate conference of MTA cover Netours and SOS Netours in order clarify position (.) following are examples of difficulties (.) SOS Netours releasing stocks from IPS which IIS have already given away to US Navy (.) MTA can NOT rpt NOT make requisitions of SOS Netours on P-mark balance with quantities needed to feed authorised calling (.) complete MEXELIA inability of MTA to guess what are SOS Netours plans for future

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Signed:

Signed: FIN 10 AM

Originator's Instructions, Degree of Priority.

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)			MESSAGE FORM	Register No.									
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FROM (A)	MMXXIX	Originator	Date-Time of Origin.	Office Date Stamp									
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For Action. 56 AREA for ST													
TO	(W) For Information (INFO)			Message Instructions. GR									
	HQ REGION I AGC for ALBERT MILA LO copy: "MILIA"												
<p>Originator's No. 571243 Control. Stocks in SICILY for Italian troops are critically low and urgent action is being taken by this H.Q. to ship following of Italy to Messina (.) Flour 698630 (698620) lbs Preserved meat 174720 (174710) lbs Tinned Fish 69440 (69440) lbs (.) All net weights (.) Hope start loading at MESSINA eight Junks at rate of 100 (100) tons a day (.) request your assistance to move these supplies from MESSINA to CATANIA by road transport (.) Contact RGV REGGIO for info regarding arrivals at MESSINA (.) Essential no rpt no hold up at MESSINA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">dah</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4636</p>													
<p>This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except WIRELESS.</p> <p>Signed, <i>A. L. Lorauf</i></p> <p>Stated, <i>A. L. Lorauf</i></p>													
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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 7

C-R Srl. No. Priority

Transmission Instructions

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FROM
(A)

INDIA

Originator

Date Time of Origin.
2/12

Office Date Stamp

ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY (BY HAND)
For Action.

TO

INDIA LO 52 Area (W) For Information (INFO)

INDIA LO 0/0 GO 212

Copy: "a". NOV LO

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No.

32/242 CONFIDENTIAL (.) Subject is Relation to message (.)
 Refer to our 32/64 of 1 July (.) FIRST (.) Cancel repeat cancel
 commodities and quantities shown in paragraph 3 of above quoted
 letter and substitute repeat substitute the following (.) PLAIN
 6-8880 (6-8880) lbs pounds (.) Preserved meats and variety meats
 17470 (17470) pounds (.) Milled Fish 69440 (69440) pounds (.)
 Total weight 845040 (.45040) pounds (.) Weights given are not
 repeat net (.) AND (.) You should request INDIA (Officio
 Transporti) to submit bids for rail transport TARANTO - NAPOLINA
 repeat NAPOLINA and road transport NAPOLINA to GAGANIA forthwith,
 emphasising urgency (.) THIRD (.) We anticipate loading to rail
 will start 8 July repeat 8 July at rate of 100 repeat 100 tons a
 day (.) Instruct Commissariate TARANTO to ensure proportion of
 all commodities are loaded in each assignment (.) FOURTH (.)
 Adequate transitwards will have to be provided for the whole of
 rail journey TARANTO - NAPOLINA (.) This is responsibility of War
 Ministry (.) FIFTH (.) FOR INDIA LO 52 Area only (.) keep in touch
 with NOV TARANTO regarding this shipment (.) It is urgent rpt
 urgent (.) Report difficulties this HQ (.)

On 11/6

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Signed.

Signed.

ARMY FORM C 236 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 6

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions	Office Date Stamp
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.				
FROM (A) MMTA	Originator	Date-Time of Origin.		
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For Action. FILED				
TO	(W) For Information (INFO)			Message Instructions. G R
SOS NATIONA		ST MMTA		

Originator's No. AQ 1677
 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) For RMAO (.) Ration position in SICILY is subject (.) rations requisitioned by SOS NATIONA are NOT yet RSP in Feb delivered SICILY as set up (.) quantity for June consumption had to be provided by IBS owing diversion of ship to GIBR from DT20 (.) quantity for July consumption set up in SOS NATIONA message 2202 - 1074, dated 20 April (.) it is quite uncertain if this food will ever arrive and in any event canned meat is NOT yet NOT provided moreover IBS stocks do NOT rpt NOT exist from which any item can be transferred (.) rations in SICILY exhausted in next few days and MMTA is making emergency transfers from mainland (.) Strongly recommend that all rations for SICILY be shipped mainland and MMTA will maintain SICILY by back shipment of correct quantities at the correct times (.) this will also simplify general accountancy and control and bring economy in rations (.) Request urgent information of quantities and date any rations will in fact be delivered SICILY as MMTA has NOT yet NOT sufficient in the mainland stock of twenty days including working margin to make any unnecessary back shipments (.) signed KERR

Apr 21 1942

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{ WIRELESS.

Signed,

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Signed.

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ARMY FORM C.2130 (Pads of 100)		MESSAGE FORM			
CALL AND INSTRU CTIONS	IN YT wOJ n QQR 357/7 OUT	AFTER THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY		AQF12 No. of Groups GR 32 7	Serial No 4617
TO NNAIA FROM AAI		Originator's Number G4-356	Date 10/1	In Reply to Numbers	
<p>RESTRICTED TO LARMIN 10/12 071200Z</p> <p>to 1BS 4 July authorizes loan meat Sicily as requested your AQF16450 amount to be minimum as agreed in Sicily</p> <p>Seen by ST Sicily to artd For critical commun. turned</p> <p>Act 2 John</p> <p>Signed</p> <p>As Originator may delete "Except" and insert "Incl. subj." BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY</p> <p>System In Time In Reader Sender System Out Time Out Reader Sender System Out Time Out Reader Sender</p> <p>L 07 2024, A. Eggen</p> <p>4683</p>					

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

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Trans. on Instructions

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FROM
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Originator

Date-Time of Origin

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For Action

AGC for Signals

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

GR

ST 5 L

Originator's No.

AGC 1665

restricted (.) do not carry out your plans on propaganda by
for supplying (.) to (.) (.) unable trace my report (.) if you want
to investigate

DR 47

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AG 2/2

Subject:- Maintenance of Italian Forces in SICILY.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.
Main HQ. MMIA.
LEQUILLE (LECCS)
ST/64.

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

5 July 44.

Copy to:- MMIA. LO., c/o "ST", HQ, 52 Area.
MMIA. LO., c/o C.O., IES.
"Q" MMIA.
Mov. LO. MMIA.

1. Please regard as cancelled our ST/6 dated 2 June 44.
2. Shipment of Fish or Equivalent to SICILY will now take place in accordance with our ST/64 dated 1 July 44.
3. Please ensure that the demand for transport is forwarded to S.M.R.E. (Ufficio Trasporti) in order that early shipment can be arranged.

dr qh

B.L. Percival

B.L. PERCIVAL,
Lt. Col., RASC,
ADST, Army Sub Commission. ACC.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 47
Office Date Stamp

CALL AND INSTRU CTIONS	IN	NET VTCOT - M-OV(3) - QQY-TR 2210	No. of Groups GR.	b7
	OUT	TRANSCRIPT		

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TO CD PBS INFO AMM MTH CG NTOUSA for APHQ

FROM SOS NTOUSA SIGNED LARKIN	Originator's Number LY-29721	Date	In Reply to Number
CONFIDENTIAL O CITE SSQHC 2913 O Any AMM in cable 452 cite G (say?) authorized on basis Notify other HQ quantities and types transferred	Carried 342 cmx dated 2 July 44 May. Can		
		Does this mean repayment in kind?	

This message may be sent As Written by any means (except) Wireless	This message must be sent in Cipher if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority Carry 100 warheads After	Time of Origin D.H.I. 021939B								
Signature.....		T.H.I.									
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Army Form C.2130.

MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRU- CTIONS	IN YUO M QUR 3 QUY 20/6	No. of Groups GR. 59	Serial No. 615 Office Date Stamp
	OUT ORIGINAL		
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TO LHUB INFO LRBR MEYT LAPP		Date	In Reply To Number
FROM MJBA		Originator's Number	
Paper low off X-ray two nine even two one confidential from SOS natousa signed larkin for action commanding office island base section for info aai mma ag natousa for aply site signs two nine one three paper scanned results requested by able ableman in call from fire tuf site george day four space three four		Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time of Origin 061939E
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MESSAGE FORM

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	OUT	(2)		

TO

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
two zero dated two July four four zero zero zero zero ed on loan basis pt notify other Headquarters quantities and types loaned			

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Signature.....

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MESSAGE FORM

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Re

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2 JULY 1944
1130Hfor SK
to see

Mr. [Signature]

QVR 3

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CG SOS NATUSA

REPEAT INC, INDIA, AFHQ

m605 ✓ [Signature] (D) T m607

QVR 3 ✓ [Signature]

C-4 342

CONFIDENTIAL X
 REQUEST FROM INDIA RECEIVED FOR 100 TONS TINNED MEAT FOR ITALIAN TROOPS IN
 SICILY PENDING ARRIVAL ITALIAN STORES I RECOMMEND YOU AUTHORIZE IBS TO LOAN
 NICKELON STOCKS AS AGREED IN SICILY BETWEEN SOFA REPRESENTATIVE AND IBS WITH
 INFORMATION TO AAT AS TO QUANTITIES AND TYPES LOANED X

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DOUGLAS H. LAWLEY
 COLONEL, G. S. C.
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