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Feb. - Mar. 1945

2 ACCOUNTING POLICY - ITALIAN ARMY FOLIO No 101-200

Mar. 1945

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject:- Pricings.

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

Ref : CS/600/19
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 3 March 1945.

Reference your Q/2/15-48 dated 27 Feb. '45.

1. Prices as far as available in this office are appended below.

Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

Item	Rate	£ - s - d
Cartridges Ball .303	1,000	7 - 12 - 0
" " .38 Mk I	1,000	3 - 10 - 6
" " .45 Mk II	1,000	5 - 7 - 0
Bombs HE 3" Mortar 10 lb Mk III	each	15 - 0
" Smoke 3" Mortar 10 lb M/C I	"	18 - 3
Flares Trip Wire		Not Known
Gun Cotton Slabs Wet 15 oz. Mk I	each	1 - 8
" " Primers Mk I	"	4
Beehives		Not known
Mines Shrapnel Mk II	each	14 - 9
Crimpers		Not known
17 pr HE		Not known
Igniters SF Striking	1,000	4 - 13 - 0
Dets No. 27 Mk I	each	2

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SUBJECT: Accounting for Forage

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.D. (M. M. I. A.) R O M S
3/2/15-55
13 March 1945

TO : Direz. Gen. Commissariato
Minister for War

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4. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and send us copy of your instructions to your Territorial Headquarters concerning this subject.

Ref 146

TTR/ri
Copy to: BT Section SMIA
SMIA LO Sardinia
SMIA LO Sicily
SMIA LO Naples
SMIA LO Fifth Army
SMIA LO 52 Area
SMIA LO 54 Area

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

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SUBJECT: Accounting for Forage

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LAND FORCES SUR COMMISSION
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Q/2/15-53
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TTR/r1

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MMIA LO 52 Area
MMIA LO 54 Area

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

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-3 DIVISION

File Ref : ASD/922.2

SUBJECT : Italian Army (BR-ITI)

TO : All Concerned.

SECRET
By Auth: SACRED
Initials:

21 February 45.

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1. The Italian Army has now been in operation as a co-belligerent force for some sixteen months, and in that time it has accomplished considerable service for the Allies. It has proved necessary to put considerable Allied material resources into the maintenance of the Italian Army and all necessary steps should be taken to ensure an adequate return on this outlay. It is essential that all British HQs and units which work with the Italian Army should interest themselves in the Italian Army units under their control, so that efficiency is increased and losses of manpower reduced to a minimum.

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802 Italian Base Rgt Depot	ORVIETO	HQ 1 District
803 Italian Base Rgt Depot	AFRACOLA	HQ 3 District
804 Italian Base Rgt Depot	TRANI	HQ 3 District
Italian Army Pack Tpt Trg Centre	ROSSOBONE	HQ 1 District
280 Italian Driving and Maint School	POLIGNANO	HQ 3 District

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BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

JMG/mmc
JOHN HARDING
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT: Issues of Forage to Italian Army
from British W.D. Stocks.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/15-57
10 March 1945

TO : Allied Force Headquarters,
APO 512, U.S. Army

Att: Financial Adviser (BR)

Ref. to your letter D/52/FA of 25 Feb. 1945.

1. We wish to confirm that we have received Issue Vouchers for forage issued from British Depots to the Italian Army, and same have been charged to the Italian Government.
2. We cannot agree with the draft which we are returning herewith, which was attached to the above quoted letter, in so far as the procedure is that all items issued to Italian Military units will be receipted for by an Italian Officer and counter-signed by an officer of the issuing agency. We could not accept a report from the depot, which would not be supported by any signed receipts, for a charge against the Italian Government.
3. But, to assist you and also to determine if all items issued to the Italian Military have been charged to them, it will be permissible for your issuing depots to render a report showing items issued to the Italian Military to date, and we will check the report against our records to ascertain if all the items have been charged. If all the items have not been charged, we will notify you so that you may take steps to have the issuing depots furnish us with necessary vouchers.
4. Reference to para. 5 of the inclosed draft. On all items released to the Italian Military direct to Italian Depots, an Acceptance Note is prepared by the Italian Government and counter-signed by an officer of MMIA. This voucher is then used to raise a charge against the Italian Government. On items issued direct to the Italian unit, the voucher forwarded to MMIA by the issuing agency is used to raise a charge against the Italian Government.

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

TTR/r1
1 Incl. - Draft AFHQ/12/66/ST6(a)
Copy to: ST Section MMIA

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Subject:- Issues to Italians.

Land Forces Sub Comm.
(M.M.I.A.) A.C.
R O M E
2/08/20

D.O.S. A.F.E.Q.

8 March 45.

Ref your BOS/7209 (Ord 1) dated 22 Feb/45.

1. The following comments and amendments are made to the draft DOS circular enclosed with that letter:-

- a) para 3 (c) Gruppi Combattiment to read "Gruppi di Combattimento".
- b) para 4 is to some extent contradictory to para 7. As there has been no change of policy since the issue of A.F.E.Q. directive AG 400/105 D-0 dated 22 Sept/44 which lays down in para 4 that the maintenance of BR-ITIS is a British responsibility, the following paragraph is suggested in substitution of para 4 in your draft:-
"The British Army is responsible for fully equipping and clothing (a), (b) and (c). In the case of (b) however the responsibility will first be discharged by periodic releases of Grade III Clothing and equipment to Land Forces Sub Comm. (MMIA) Allied Commission only to the extent that such stores are not available to BR-ITIS from Italian Army sources. MMIA ensures the repairing and, where necessary, of dyeing the Grade III clothing. To the extent that Grade III is not available, releases of better grade clothing will be made by A.F.E.Q. for the necessary maintenance of BR-ITIS".
- c) Para 5 (b) lines 6 and 7. Delete HQ Allied Comm. APO 394 and substitute (MMIA) A.S. G.M.F. A similar amendment is necessary to para 5 (c) (iii) line 3 and to para 8 line 16.

d) Para 5 (c) (ii).

As it reads at present this para requires a voucher to be forwarded to this H.Q. for every issue. Items of equipment to which para 6 refers should be excluded from the provisions of para 5 (c).

The greater proportion of items issued to the Combat Groups are NOT chargeable to the Italian Government, but are on loan.

2. Copies of the vouchers to which you refer in para 3 of your letter other than those for items on loan (see 1 (d) above), may now be sent to the Accounting Section of this H.Q.

Copy to:- A.F.M.Q. for Q/AE
M.M.I.A. for Q-1

F. J. Noam
F.J. NOAM, Col.
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT: Issues to Italian Navy

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
2/2/15-54
8 March 1945

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
APO 512, U.S. Army

Att: Financial Adviser (Br.)

Ref. to your letter AFHQ/64/6/ST6(a) 28 Feb. 45.

1. This is to confirm that all items turned over to the Italian Government from British Depots have been duly charged to the Italian Government and due credit given to the British Government from Acceptance Notes signed by the receiving Italian Depot and counter-signed by a representative of MMIA.
2. Acceptance Notes have been in use prior to 16 October 1944 for all items received in Italian Depots.

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

EPZ/ri

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SUBJECT: Prices for British Clothing and Equipment

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/15-55
6 March 1945

TO : Financial Adviser (BR)
Allied Force Headquarters,
C.M.F.

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Ref. to your letter D/52/PA dated 23 Feb. 1945.

1. Attached hereto list of items which are being shipped by the British Government to the Italian Government. These items require pricing.
2. Would you please furnish this office with prices of new items of clothing and equipment as listed, so that the Italian Government may be duly charged and due credit given to the British Government on percentage basis of new items in your letter referred to above.

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

EPZ/ri
1 Incl. List of clothing and equipment

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Incl. to Ltr. Q/2/15-55 dated
6 March 1945

The following is a list of items shipped by the British Government to the Italian Government which require pricing in order to duly charge the Italian Government and give due credit to the British Government:

Anklets
Blankets
Blouses, B/D
Blouses, HBT
Boots, various grades
Caps, comforters
Caps, garrison
Capes, rain
Clothing
Drawers, cotton
Drawers, wool
Gloves, wool
Gloves, leather
Jackets, field
Jute bags
Kit, sewing
Mackinaws
Misc. salvage and material
Overalls
Overcoats - Greatcoats
Pullovers, wool
Shirts, cotton
Socks, wool
Socks, U/S/wool
Trousers, B/D
Trousers, KD
Trousers, HBT
Trousers, Denim
Terry towels
Undershirts, wool

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)
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Tel : Freedom 801.

Subject : Issue of Amn to Gruppia

Q/2/15
Ref : DOS/55/4(4)

Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (M.M.I.A.) Rome.
C.O.O. 16 B.A.D.

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Date : 5 Mar '45

Further to your AQ/2/15-36 of 6 Feb and my DOS/55/4(4) of 17 Feb (copy to you).

No 16 B.A.D. report that Italian Officers do not always accompany vehicles calling to collect amn (e.g. 52 B.L.U. on 3 March).

Will you please ensure that all units are aware that an officer must be sent to sign the voucher, failing which the issue will not be made.

R.P. Rice
R.P. Rice Major.
for Maj-Gen
D.O.S A.F.H.Q.

see 158
Phoned Major Rice 10 March and explained the correct channel for orders of this kind to BLU's in 15 Army Group and Armies. He is sending an instruction to

15 AG accordingly.

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see 158
my
10 March

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FROM LAEE

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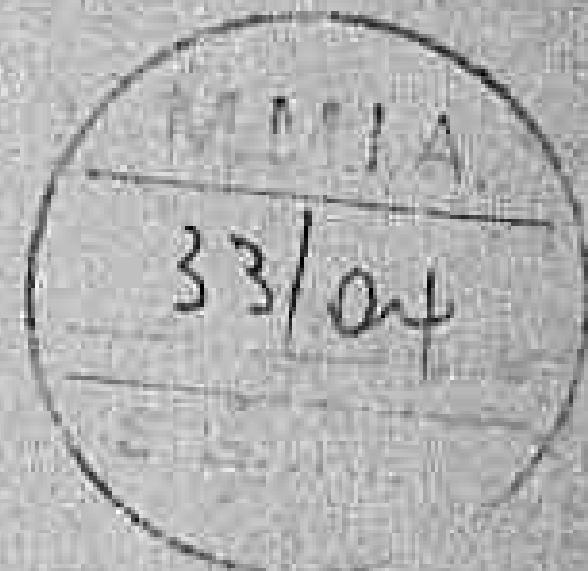
TO MMIA

INFO PENBASE

GR85 BT

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Q/2/15.



RESTRICTED FX37201 LAUNDRY SERVICE IS SUEJECT PD
 PAREN CITE NAQMC SIGNED MCNARNEY PAREN QUEEN MIKE PENBASE HAS REQUESTED
 PERMISSION TO LAUNDER HOSPITAL BEDDING AND CLOTHING TOTALING APPROXIMATELY
 TWO ZERO CMA ZERO ZERO ZERO POUNDS PER MONTH AND INDIVIDUAL BLANKETS
 TOTALING APPROXIMATELY TWO ZERO ZERO CMA ZERO ZERO ZERO POUNDS PER
 MONTH FOR UNCLE SUGAR DASH TIME TARE ITEM SUGAR PD PARA CHARGE WILL
 BE TWO CENTS PER POUND PD PARA REQUEST CONCURRENCE IN MAKING CHARGE
 TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THROUGH CHIEF ACCOUNTANT
 ALLIED COMMISSION FOR THIS WORK
 BT

SENT NR32 2222A JH E2 K
 R-32---2222A JOE KK K

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (AMLA)FILE NO: Q/2/15-q
SUBJECT:

DATE: 5 Mar. 45

TO : Col. Kerr

Recommend that we approve the request in the attached signal. The rate of charge, 2¢ per pound is very reasonable and I am sure it will assist the morale, appearance, and probably the efficiency of the troops concerned.

VVO 000
BY 0000

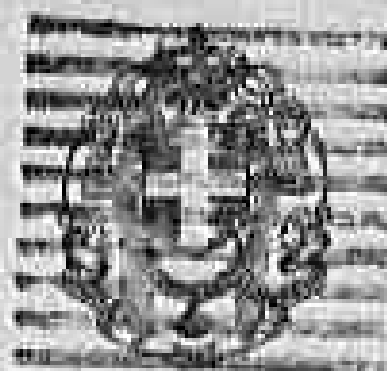
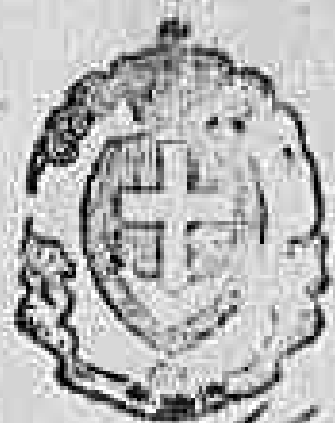
Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
M. M. I. A.

TTR/r1

Col. Rose
Ask Gen Pellegrini to agree in
Writing

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
ed Amministrativi
Div. Vestiario e C.C.

N. di Prot. 8393/V di Sped.
Allegati

P. 380, 3 marzo 1945

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

*Risposta al Foglio N.°
del*

OGGETTO Servizio lavatura nel Presidio di Napoli.-

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In relazione alla conversazione telefonica intercorsa nel pomeriggio di oggi fra il Col. Rose ed il Gen. Pelligra circa la possibilità di usufruire dell'organizzazione della P.B.S. per il servizio di lavatura nel Presidio di Napoli, mentre si conferma l'accettazione dell'offerta fatta, si prega voler fornire elementi di dettaglio ( Autorità Alleate preposte, stabilimenti, prezzi, modalità di esecuzione, ecc.) da segnalare ai dipendenti organi del Commissariato di Napoli onde passare al più presto alla pratica attuazione del progetto cortesemente segnalato.-

P. IL MINISTRO

*Pelligra*

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MESSAGE FORM

Date - Time  
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FROM: MMIA

TO : CG MPOKKA  
INFO: CG PERBASE

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CONFIDENTIAL

ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY HAS AGREED TO ACCEPT THE CHARGE FOR  
LAUNDRY ON CONDITIONS SHOWN IN YOUR PX 37201 CITE NAME OF  
3 MARCH (.) VOUCHERS COVERING THE COST OF LAUNDRY SHOULD  
COVER A THIRTY DAY PERIOD AND SHOULD SHOW ITEMS LAUNDERED CMA  
QUANTITY CMA PRICE CMA AND TOTAL AMOUNT (.) VOUCHERS TO BE  
SIGNED BY ITALIAN OFFICER AND COUNTER-SIGNED BY REPRESENTATIVE  
QM PERBASE (.) VOUCHERS TO BE SENT TO HQ MMIA FOR CHARGE  
AGAINST ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

PRECEDENCE \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHENTICATION \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBJECT: Issues to Italian Army

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
3/2/15-53  
5 March 1945

TO : Allied Force Headquarters,  
APO 512, U.S. Army

Att: Financial Adviser (BR)

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1. This is to confirm that all items turned over to the Italian Government from British Depots have been duly charged to the Italian Government and due credit given to the British Government from Acceptance Notes signed by the receiving Italian Depot and counter-signed by a representative of M.M.I.A.

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

TTR/ri

Subject:- Issues to Italian Army.

FINANCIAL ADVISER (BR).  
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.  
C.M.F.

Ref:- D/52/FA

20 February 1945.

Land Forces Sub Commission (LMIA).  
H.Q., Allied Commission.  
A.P.O. 394.  
(for attention of Lt.Col. Rose).

With regard to my CM/52/FA dated 23 October 1944,  
regarding accounting for shipments of clothing for the Italians,  
(AFHQ letter No AG 400-1 (Italy) GDS -AGM dated 9 January 1945 refers)  
I should be glad to know whether it has yet been possible to confirm  
that any necessary accounting for the articles mentioned has been  
carried out.

*Chickering*

Major.  
for Brigadier.  
Financial Adviser (Br).

MMIA Internal

To : QI  
From : Q/OS

DOS AFHQ circular No I94 dated 25 Feb. 45 is quoted below for your information:-

" Subject : Pricing of Ordnance Stores.

1. In spite of DOS Circular No 49, requests for pricing of Ordnance stores are still being submitted to ADOS (P) or to this office. As there is no information available in either ADOS (P)'s office or in this office, other than the Vocabulary which should be in possession of ADOS's and DADOS's, this practice is unprofitable.

2. ADOS's and DADOS's of formations will therefore assess rates, where none appear in the vocabulary, in consultation with REME and will only submit to this office exceptional cases which require reference to UK. For exact rates in such cases it must be appreciated there is bound to be considerable delay.

(DOS/227/2)  
25 Feb. 45

(A.I. NIXON, Brigadier ,DDOS)  
for Maj-Gen.  
DOS.

*For*  
Distribution :- List "A". "

*Greenwood*

*Majr 5141*

*4 Mar. 45.*

Subject:- Prices for British Clothing & Equipment.

Q/2/15/178  
FINANCIAL ADVISER (BR).  
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.  
C.M.F.

Ref:- D/52/FA

23 February 1945.

Land Forces Sub Commission (LSCA).  
H.Q., Allied Commission.  
A.P.O. 394.

With reference to your letter No AQ/2/15-5 dated 30 November 1944 this matter has now been discussed further with the Services and the following charges are agreed.

- (a) Repaired items. handed over - 50% of new value including freight & expenses.
- (b) Repairable garments & shoes(boots). handed over - 35% of new value including freight and expenses.
- (c) Cotton Rags. { White £120 per ton .24 lb.  
Assorted colours £80 per ton. .10 lb.
- (d) Wool Rags. £150 per ton. - .30 lb.
- (e) Unrepairable shoes(boots) 5/-d per pair.

Presumably vouchers received by you for past issues will be priced accordingly. Insofar as the future is concerned instructions have been, or will be, issued by services to enable vouchers to be priced before reaching you.

*W. G. Schmitt*

Major.  
for Brigadier.  
Financial Adviser (Br).

ps. Salvage may issue rags cotton which will be unsorted & the price for these will be £100 per ton

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Subject: Distribution of Fresh Fruit, Fresh Vegetables  
also Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M. M. I. A.) ROME  
S/2/5

28 Feb 1945

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To: AFHQ for Q Maint.

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1. Reference is made to AFHQ/64/2/ST6(a) of 23 Feb to this HQ with copy to you.
2. It is requested that you approve the att draft by signal. The draft has been coordinated with the ITALIAN Government and similar instructions will be sent out to ITALIAN Comds.

FJN/ls

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

Copy to:  
Q (Accounts) MMIA+  
ST MMIA  
Med MMIA

*seen Col Rose*

*see 175*

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M. M. I. A.) ROME  
3/5/5

Feb 1945

M. M. I. A. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 23.

ITALIAN ARMY - SUPPLY

1. OBJECT.

The object of this instruction is to amend and clarify the procedure of issue of and accounting for the FRESH FRUIT, FRESH VEGETABLES - MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS to BR-TPI Tps or other Tps such as G2 Pns maintained from Br DIDs in FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT.

2. FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

(a) Wef Mar 45 all ITALIAN units drawing the Allied portion of the ration from DIDs in FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT will draw the

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|-----------|-------|
| FRUIT     | 1.000 |
| FRESH VEG | 3.000 |

from the DID under MMIA FORM STB arrangements.

(b) Demands will be submitted and the accounting procedure will be adjusted on the normal STB system.

3. MISCELLANEOUS AND DISINFECTANT ITEMS.

(a) Wef Mar 45 all Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items which are a ST supply will be drawn in FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT from DIDs on the first drawing each month.

(b) Demands will be made on STB (a SEPARATE copy from rations) and handled in the normal manner.

The system in force now in areas other than FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT will remain unchanged.

DISTRIBUTION:

AFHQ for Q Maint.  
AFHQ for ST  
HQ EIGHT ARMY for Q  
CG FIFTH ARMY for Q Br Inco.  
HQ No. 1 District for Q  
HQ No. 2 District for Q  
HQ No. 3 District for Q  
ALL MMIA LO's  
50 BLU  
51 BLU

52 BLU  
53 BLU  
56 BLU  
DEWISPO RFTS CENTER for CG Br  
MMIA Maint.  
MMIA ST  
MMIA Medical

Copy: Minister

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

SUBJECT: Maintenance of the Italian  
Armed Forces

ADST,

MMIA (2)

*Red Q/2*

*File 28/2*  
*Q/2*  
*175*  
AMH/64/2/316(a)

Tel: Freedom 492

23 February 1945

1. A review of the present system of rationing of the Italian Armed Forces has shown two directions in which, it is thought, improvement could be effected without in any way derogating from the basic principles of supply already agreed upon.

2. Fresh Fruit and Fresh Vegetables

The existing instructions lay down that the Italians will provide these two commodities under their own arrangements, but that where these arrangements break down, provision action will be taken by the appropriate British supply depot and a Debit Voucher raised against the Italian Government through MMIA.

3. Experience in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No. 1 District all points to the fact that the Italians seldom are in a position to provision for themselves and as a result, British supply units are being burdened with a considerable amount of unreasonably detailed clerical work. Accordingly, it is strongly recommended by this Directorate that Fresh Fruit and Vegetables for RA-ITIS in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No. 1 District be supplied through normal RASC channels and the two items be included on the ST 8. This would not involve any change in responsibility for the ration scale because the Fruit and Vegetables would still be provisioned by the Italian Government, but for convenience would be purchased by the RASC and then debited to the Italian Government on MMIA Form ST 3 along with the other commodities supplied on repayment.

4. Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items

At the present, the paradoxical position obtains whereby a scale of Mis and Dis items is laid down by MMIA but the allocation under the scale is made from Rome, with the result that the supply cannot be adjusted to meet sudden moves of Italian formations. It is not clear how this system originated but it is quite clear that it doesn't work. Our recommendation is that, again in respect of RA-ITIS in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No. 1 District, the Army or District be entitled to issue according to the scales to formations under command. Any suggestion that this might result in duplication of issues if a fum moved could be ruled out by fixing a common day on which all fums would be supplied with Mis and Dis items.

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The existing instructions lay down that the Italians will provide these two commodities under their own arrangements, but that where these arrangements break down, provision action will be taken by the appropriate British supply depot and a Debit Voucher raised against the Italian Government through MMIA.

3.

Experience in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No. 1 District all points to the fact that the Italians seldom are in a position to provision for themselves and as a result, British supply units are being burdened with a considerable amount of unreasonably detailed clerical work. Accordingly, it is strongly recommended by this Directorate that Fresh Fruit and Vegetables for M-ITIL in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No. 1 District be supplied through normal RASC channels and the two items be included on the ST 8. This would not involve any change in responsibility for the ration scale because the Fruit and Vegetables would still be provisioned by the Italian Government, but for convenience would be purchased by the RASC and then debited to the Italian Government on MMIA Form ST 8 along with the other commodities supplied on repayment.

4.

Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items

At the present, the paradoxical position obtains whereby a scale of Mis and Dis items is laid down by MMIA but the allocation under the scale is made from Rome, with the result that the supply cannot be adjusted to meet sudden moves of Italian formations. It is not clear how this system originated but it is quite clear that it doesn't work. Our recommendation is that, again in respect of M-ITIL in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No. 1 District, the Army or District be entitled to issue according to the scales to formations under command. Any suggestion that this might result in duplication of issues if a firm moved could be ruled out by fixing a common day on which all firms would be supplied with Mis and Dis items.

5.

Will you please discuss these two points with your Staff and report whether they are acceptable. We are anxious to see them introduced as soon as possible, if your Staff agrees.

Copy to: 'Q' (Maint)

*P. J. M. O. Mearns*  
G.J. B.A.M Lt.-Col.,  
for Major-General,  
Director of Supplies and Transport.

COPY

FROM : AFHQ

TO : NMIA

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*attached 2/2/69*

YOUR SD 2304 OF ONE SEVEN (\*) AGREE YOU CHARGE RATIONS OF RECRUITS  
REMARKED TO NATIONAL COMMITMENTS TO NATION CONCERNED FROM TIME RECRUITS  
REPORT TO CALL - UP CENTRES.

Precedence -

SD DIST:

SD/94  
AQ (2) - (1 copy passed Col. Rose)  
ST.

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C O P Y

FROM: MMIA

17 Feb 45 169

TO : FOR ACTION: AFHQ

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SD 2304

SUBJECT MAINTENANCE OF RECRUITS PRIOR TO DELIVERY TO  
DEPOTS (\*) REFERENCE PAR 18 C AFHQ LETTER AG 091.711/169  
GCT-0 OF 16 NOV 1944 (\*) CALL UPS HAVE BEEN ORDERED ONLY  
AFTER SCHEDULE FOR MOVEMENTS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY AFHQ  
(\* IF MOVEMENTS TAKE PLACE AS SCHEDULED THIS MEANS THAT  
THESE RECRUITS ARE ON ITI ITI RATIONS FOR THIS PURPOSE  
MUST BE TAKEN FROM THE CEILING AUTHORIZED AND SAVING TO  
DO THIS IS AFFECTED BY MEN ON LEAVE ETC (\*) WHEN IT BECOMES  
NECESSARY TO HOLD THESE RECRUITS FOR LONG PERIODS ON ITI ITI  
RATIONS ON ACCOUNT OF TRANSPORTATION NOT BEING AVAILABLE  
AS AGREED, THE ITI ITI RATION CEILING IS EXCEEDED AS IN  
THE CASE OF ~~AS~~ 4500m MEN IN APULIA AND OVER 9000 MEN IN  
SARDINIA ALL AWAITING TRANSPORTATION (\*) SARDINIA SITUATION  
NOW IS THAT SOME OF THESE PEOPLE WILL BE HELD ON ITI ITI  
RATIONS OVER 30 DAYS (\*) REQUEST AUTHORITY EITHER TO  
EXCEED THE ITI ITI RATION CEILING AS NECESSARY OR TO CHARGE  
THE RATIONS OF THE RECRUITS EARMARKED TO NATIONAL COMMITMENTS  
TO THE NATION CONCERNED FROM THE TIME RECRUITS REPORT TO  
THE CALL UP CENTERS.

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## MESSAGE FORM

FROM: AFHQ

TO: WMIA

DATE 25 Feb 1945

Ref F 33517

Cite PHCCT

CAPTURED MATERIAL OF ITALIAN ORIGIN IS SUBJECT. PARA 1 PROVIDED LIMITATIONS AS TO STRENGTH OF ITALIAN FORCES AS APPROVED BY THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF ARE NOT EXCEEDED AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF CAPTURED ITALIAN WAR MATERIAL TO THE ITALIANS IS VESTED IN SACMED PARA 2 CAPTURED CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT UNDER REFERENCE YOUR AQ 2778 OF 13 February WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ITALIAN AUTHORITIES WITHOUT CHARGE

see 167  
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COPY

DATE TIME  
13 Feb

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MMIA  
AFHQ

AQ 2778

REFERENCE YOUR F 44187 CITE FHSUP CEM 3 OF 26 OCTOBER 5+9  
REQUEST REPLY TO OUR AQ 2043 OF 19 OCTOBER SUBJECT PRICES  
FOR CAPTURED CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT SHIPPED FROM MID EAST FOR  
ITALIAN MILITARY (+) THESE PRICES ARE URGENTLY NEEDED SINCE WE  
ARE NOT RECEIVING THE ITEMS FROM MID EAST

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT  
AUTHENTICATION ROSE

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Tel : Freedom 801.

Subject : Issues of Amn to Gruppi - Accounting  
Procedure

Ref : 008/55/4(4)

Date : 17 Feb 45

D.D.O.S. Eighth Army  
A.D.O.S. Fifteen Army Group.  
A.D.O.S. Br. Inc. Fifth Army.  
C.O.O. 14 B.A.D.  
C.O.O. 16 B.A.D.  
C.O.O. 21 A.A.D.  
C.O.O. 25 A.A.D.  
C.O.O. 5 A.A.D. (with copy original letter)

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

50 B.L.U.

51 B.L.U.

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56 "

Further to my DOS/55/4(4) of 6 Nov, and D.D.O.S. A.A.I  
letter Ord4/4609/23 of 9 Nov 44.

1. It is reported by Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.T.A.)  
that vouchers are being received which have not been signed by the Italian  
officer receiving the amn. Vouchers not so signed are invalid.

2. If an Italian officer is not available to sign the  
voucher, no issue will be made.

K.H. Steel Lt. Col.  
for Maj. Gen.  
D.O.S. A.F.H.Q.

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SUBJECT: Issue of Grade III Clothing from  
British Army to M. M. I. A.  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
AQ/2/15-45  
16 February 1945  
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TO : Financial Adviser (Br)  
AFHQ  
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*attached*

1. We are returning herewith inclosures which were attached to your letter P/52/FA dated 12 Feb. 45.
2. This is to confirm that all items of clothing and equipment turned over to the Italian Government by British Depots are charged to the Italian Government through A.C. Chief Accountant, and due credit is given to the British Government. The charges are made from Acceptance Notes signed by Italian officers at the receiving depot and counter-signed by an officer of M.M.I.A.

*Tommy T. Hoff*  
TOMMY T. HOFF, Lt. Col.  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri  
Incl. Schedules A and B.

*Copy sent to M.M.I.A. Ord*

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Subject:- Issue of Grade III Clothing from British Army to M.M.I.A.

FINANCIAL ADVISER (BR).  
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.  
C.M.F.

Ref:- D/52/FA

12 February 1945.

H.Q.,  
Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA).  
H.Q., ALLIED COMMISSION.  
A. P. O. 394.

The attached schedules A (unsupported by vouchers) and B (with copy vouchers attached) relating to issues of Grade III clothing from British Army stocks to M.M.I.A. depots have been reported to me by "C" Clothing & Repair Factory.

With regard to para 3 of AFHQ Instruction No AG 400/031 GDS-O dated 6 October 1944, and para 12 of AFHQ Instruction No AG 400/105 D-O dated 22 September 1944 can you please confirm that these issues have been noted, through Chief Accountant, A.C., as a charge against the Italian Government with due credit to the British Government.

*Please return the attachments  
with your reply*

*R. S. L. H. J. S. L.*

Major.  
for Brigadier.  
Financial Adviser (Br).

C-O-P-Y

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

ROUTINE

TO FOR ACTION : CG FIFTH ARMY  
FOR INFO : CO PBS → CG FIFTIETH ARMY GROUP

○ You may draw on 120 day temporary shipping ticket  
Engineer portion of Section II, inclusive 6 to annex 2 of your letter file  
AG 320-Z of 24 December subject, "Reorganization of the Italian ~~Army~~ with  
following exceptions:

Camera section set No. 5;  
Laboratory section set No. 2;  
Plate process section set No. 2;  
Press section set No. 6; and  
Cutter, paper, motor driven.

(R) 16 Feb

This answer refers to your 2229 dated 19 January 1945.  
Not contemplated that these excepted items will be issued to Italian  
Topographic Platoon as present map reproduction (printing) capacity within  
Theater is more than equal to the normal demands of all troops employed.  
Printing capacity outside of Fifth Army resources can be made available  
upon request through technical channels.

ORIGINATOR : G-4

AUTH: H V EVANS, COL.

Information : G-3 and Engr.

Coord. with: Engr. and G-3

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REF NO FX 90457

24 Jan 45

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HEADQUARTERS  
MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY  
APO 512

AG 400/284 QM-0

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Supply of Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Commanding Generals,  
Fifth Army, APO 464  
Peninsular Base Section, APO 782  
Northern Base Section, APO 386  
Army Air Force, MTO, APO 650  
Rome Area, MTOUSA, APO 794  
Commanding Officers,  
Adriatic Depot, APO 388  
Headquarters Command, AF, APO 512

1. Reference is paragraph 12 (a) of Allied Force Headquarters letter, file AG 400/105 D-O, dated 22 September 1944, subject: "Supply of Italian Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air)."

2. In order to standardize the prices charged the Italian Government, the following will be used on the priced shipping tickets of items issued for US-ITIs and for items turned over to IMIA for ITI-ITI use.

|                                    |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Class "A"                          | List Price        |
| Class "B" and "Combat Serviceable" | 75% of List Price |
| Class "C" repairable to "X"        | 35% of List Price |
| Class "X"                          | 50% of List Price |
| Class "D", cotton textiles         | 10¢ per pound     |
| Wool textiles                      | 30¢ per pound     |

3. In accordance with paragraph 2 of Annex "C" to reference letter, authority must be secured from MTOUSA to issue United States items of clothing and equipment that are suitable for repair and issue to United States personnel. This letter is not an authorization for the issue of Class "A", Class "B", Class "Combat Serviceable", Class "C" or Class "D", but is the directive establishing the price to be used when the issue of the above has been approved.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MCNARNEY:

*R. H. Freese*  
R. H. FRESE,  
Captain, AGD,  
Asst Adjutant General.

DISTRIBUTION:

- 5 - Each Addressee
- 2 - IMIA, ALCOM
- 2 - Chief Accountant, ALCOM
- 1 - G-4
- 1 - QM (Class II & IV)
- 2 - AG Records

- 1 -  
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## MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO: 50 BLD

AQ-2790

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FOR MMIA LG (.) REFERRED YOUR ST/5/10 OF 6 OCTOBER 1945/ (.)  
PART 4 OF SUPPLY ORGANIZATION AND ACCOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS  
DOES NOT APPLY OTHER THAN ITALIAN SUBSISTENCE DEPOTS THEREFORE  
NOT APPLICABLE YOUR GRUPPI (.) ONLY RECORD REQUIRED BY THIS  
OFFICE FROM GRUPPI IS COPY OF MMIA FORM ST/2

PRECEDENCE                     AUTHENTICATION                     

folio 147 taken  
out see file Q1/15B

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SECRET

SUBJECT : Supply Accounting - FRIULI ICG 50 Brit Liaison Unit

ST/5/10

6 Feb 45

ST MIA

Experience has shown that the elaborate system of SUPPLY ACCOUNTING laid down in Part IV of "Supply Organisation and Accounting Instructions for Provision of Food to the Italian Armed Forces" is NOT suitable for a firm operating in the fd, and it is considered that a system of accounting should be authorised that more nearly approximate to that used by a Brit firm under similar circumstances.

The following procedure is recommended :-

- 1) Units indent off the S&T Coy of the Group with ST/8 in duplicate.
- 2) The Group indents on Brit Deps with ST/8 in triplicate.
- 3) On receipt of goods from Brit Deps the amount is recorded on a proforma as per enclosed, those entries being supported by the copies of ST/8 signed by the issuing dep.
- 4) Total issues and total despatches are recorded on the same form, the total issues being recorded in detail on a form equivalent to the Brit AF W3316 and the total despatches on Form ST/6 both being supported by the ST/5s signed by the receiving depot, or the ST/6s signed by the units, as the case may be.
5. Stock cards for all commodities are kept on form ST/4 and the items of remains at the end of any one day should correspond with the amount shown on the stock card.

Will you please give this matter your consideration, treating it as one of some urgency, and if the system recommended meets with your approval, please notify me at once, that I may instruct the Group accordingly.

CLF  
GAB/SYBCopy to : ST 5 CORPS  
ST 51 BLUMaj  
DADST


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CLF  
G.B./SYB

Copy to : ST 5 CORPS  
ST 51 BLU

*Spidlow*  
Maj  
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| DATE          | FLOUR | MACARONI | RICE | SALT |
|---------------|-------|----------|------|------|
| Opening Stock | 15000 | 2500     |      | 440  |
| Receipts      | 10000 | 1200     |      | 300  |
| - Feb TOTAL   | 25000 | 3700     |      | 700  |
| Issues        | -     | 1150     |      | 200  |
| Despatches    | 12000 | -        |      | 75   |
| TOTAL         | 12000 | 1150     |      | 275  |
| REMAINS       | 13000 | 2550     |      | 425  |
| Opening Stock | 13000 | 2550     |      | 425  |
| Receipts      |       |          |      |      |
| - Feb TOTAL   |       |          |      |      |
| Issues        |       |          |      |      |
| Despatches    |       |          |      |      |
| TOTAL         |       |          |      |      |
| REMAINS       |       |          |      |      |

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| FLOUR | MACARONI | RICE | SALT |
|-------|----------|------|------|
| 5000  | 2500     |      | 440  |
| 10000 | 1200     |      | 300  |
| 25000 | 3700     |      | 700  |
| -     | 1150     |      | 200  |
| 12000 | -        |      | 75   |
| 20000 | 1150     |      | 275  |
| 50000 | 2550     |      | 425  |
| 3000  | 2550     |      | 425  |

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SUBJECT: Price List for Italian Clothing

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
AQ/2/15-42  
14 February 1945

TO : MMIA LO 34 Area

Ref. is made to your ORD/2 dated 3 Feb. 1945

1. Clothing and equipment of Italian origin issued to U.S. depots for re-issue to the Italian troops under their command will not be priced on the shipping tickets covering the issue from U.S. to Italian troops, only the quantities will be shown.
2. The Italian Government is charged the following amounts for U.S. clothing issued to Italian troops:
  - a. Garments repairable to Class X.
    - (1) 35% list price of new articles (AR30-3000)
  - b. Garments and equipment originally classified as Class X, or repaired to Class X.
    - (1) 50% list price of new articles (AR30-3000)
  - c. Class D Garments and equipage as rags:
    - (1) Cotton rags (incl. material from winter underwear) \$.10 a lb.
    - (2) Wool rags \$.30 a lb.

*Tommy T. Jose*  
TOMMY T. JOSE, Lt. Col.  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

FRG/r1  
Copy to: MMIA LO Naples  
MMIA Ord. Section

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HEADQUARTERS  
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION  
A.P.O. 782  
G-4 DIVISION

FILE

7 November 1944

SUPPLY MEMORANDUM )

NUMBER 79 )

|      |                       |      |                         |      |
|------|-----------------------|------|-------------------------|------|
| TO : | Chemical Officer      | (2)  | Provost Marshal         | (2)  |
|      | Chief Liaison Officer | (10) | Quartermaster           | (10) |
|      | Engineer              | (10) | Signal Officer          | (2)  |
|      | Ordnance Officer      | (5)  | Surgeon                 | (2)  |
|      | POL Officer           | (6)  | Transportation Officer  | (6)  |
|      |                       |      | CO, Penbase Forward Ech | (15) |

SUPPLY OF ITALIAN ARMED FORCES1. REFERENCE:

a. Letter AFHQ, file AG 400/105 D-O dated 22 September 1944, subject: "Supply of Italian Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air)".

b. Letter AFHQ, file AG 400/105 D-O, dated 27 September 1944, subject: "Supply of Italian Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air)".

c. Letter AFHQ, file AG 400/031 GDS-O dated 6 October 1944, subject: "Supply Procedure and Accounting for Supplies and Equipment Issued by Allied Depots to Italian Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air)".

d. COMZONE MTOUSA Circular No. 119, dated 3 November 1944.

2. RESCINDED: All previous publications by this Headquarters on the subject of supply of Italian Army units.

3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLY:

a. Only those classes of Italian troops who are in fact effective will be supplied. An individual who is "in fact effective" is defined as one who is a bona fide member of the Italian Armed Forces, either officer, non-commissioned officer or enlisted man duly enrolled or enlisted who is subject to the laws of war and the Geneva Convention, borne on the rolls of the Italian Ministry concerned, and actually performing the duty to which assigned by competent U.S. orders. Security police, fire brigades, and finance guards are not included, as they are not military organizations in the above sense of the term. Their functions are essentially civilian in character and the control is maintained through the Allied Control Commission.

b. The classes of troops to be supplied are as follows:

- (1) U.S.-ITI - Italian Armed Forces under U.S. command.  
(Supplied by U.S.)

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(2) BR-ITI - Italian Armed Forces under British command.  
(Supplied by BR.)

(3) ITI-ITI - Italian Armed Forces under the command of the theater commander through the Italian War Ministry.  
(Supplied through MMIA from ITI, U.S. and BR sources.)

c. U.S.-ITI Forces are those Italian Army units assigned to and under the operational control of:

- (1) Peninsular Base Section
- (2) Fifth Army
- (3) LIF/MTO

d. The maintenance of all Italian Army units assigned U.S. Forces in Italy (U.S.-ITIS) is a U.S. responsibility.

e. The entire resources of the Italian Army are available to ITI-ITIS. Any surplus will be available through MMIA to U.S.-ITIS and BR-ITIS. Headquarters, MMIA, will be responsible for control, issue and accounting of supplies so drawn from ITI-ITI depots. Chief Liaison Officer, Penbase will maintain MMIA contact in securing all possible supplies for issue to U.S.-ITI personnel.

f. Penbase Supply Services, in discharging their responsibility for supply to U.S.-ITIS, will deal only through and with the following agencies:

- (1) 212th Italian Command for all U.S.-ITIS assigned Penbase.
- (2) Fifth Army Supply Services for all U.S.-ITIS assigned Fifth Army.
- (3) LIFSC/MTO for all U.S.-ITIS assigned LIF/MTO.

#### 4. AUTHORIZED SUPPLIES AND SCALE THEREOF:

##### a. Class I Quartermaster (rations):

(1) The following Italian ration will be issued from U.S. stocks:

|                                     | (ounces per ration) |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Flour                               | 12 oz               |  |
| Dried Vegetables                    | 2 oz                |  |
| Meat, canned or fish preserved      | 3 oz                |  |
| Cheese                              | 1 oz                |  |
| Sugar                               | 1 oz                |  |
| Rice                                | 3 oz                |  |
| Vegetables, dehydrated              | 1 oz                |  |
| Catsup, or tomato paste             | 1/2 oz              |  |
| Coffee                              | 1/2 oz              |  |
| Pepper                              | 1/200 oz            |  |
| Matches, per 7 rations, box (small) | 1 oz                |  |
| or matches, book, commercial type   | 2 oz                |  |

(2) The following subsistence items, to complete the ration, are to be procured by Italian Army:

|                   | (ounces per ration) |  |
|-------------------|---------------------|--|
| Fruit             | 4 oz                |  |
| Vegetables, fresh | 8 oz                |  |

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|-------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Olive Oil   | (ounces per ration) | 1 oz      |
| Nuts        | " " "               | 1/2 oz    |
| Salt        | " " "               | 1/2 oz    |
| Wine, litre |                     | 1/2 litre |

b. Class II Quartermaster (Clothing and Individual Equipment):

The following items of clothing and equipment that are not suitable for further use by U.S. troops will be issued from U.S. stocks (Quartermaster to procure and utilize all allocations from NMIA):

|                                                                                                        |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Blouse, battle dress (or field jacket)                                                                 | ea 1 |
| Trousers, battle dress (or wool OD)                                                                    | ea 1 |
| Shirt, Cotton (or wool OD)                                                                             | ea 2 |
| Belt, web, waist                                                                                       | ea 1 |
| Drawers, wool                                                                                          | ea 2 |
| Undershirt, wool or pullover (1 pullover equals 2 undershirts, wool)                                   | ea 2 |
| Towel                                                                                                  | ea 1 |
| Cap, field                                                                                             | ea 1 |
| Suit, working, 1 pc HBT (or 1 ea Jacket, HBT and 1 ea Trousers, HBT)                                   | ea 1 |
| Overcoat or mackinaw                                                                                   | ea 1 |
| Raincoat                                                                                               | ea 1 |
| Boots or shoes (2 pairs authorized in winter if supplies permit)                                       | pr 1 |
| Socks                                                                                                  | pr 3 |
| Gloves, heavy, leather (or Gloves, wool, OD)                                                           | pr 1 |
| Anklets, or leggings (when required)                                                                   | pr 1 |
| Blankets, or comforter (1 comforter equals 2 blankets)                                                 | ea 2 |
| Packcarrier and Haversack (when required, and issued only when haversack is required and is available) | ea 1 |
| Canteen (when required)                                                                                | ea 1 |
| Mess kit (including fork, spoon, cup)                                                                  | ea 1 |
| Liner, Helmet, M1 - only                                                                               | ea 1 |
| B.g. Barracks (not to be issued to those having Pack Carrier and haversack)                            | ea 1 |

NOTES: (1) Issue of additional T/E #21 items will be made only if required to meet operational requirements and quality of supplies so issued will not be better than Class "X".

(2) Field jackets, shirts, caps, trousers, overcoats, mackinaws and battle dress will be dyed green prior to issue.

c. Organizational Equipment (Class II & IV, All Services):

To be issued from U.S. stocks (in priority below U.S. units) to the extent as authorized in appropriate "Special Tables of Equipment for Italian Service Units (POW)" published by COMZON, NATOUSA, (except that no items therein marked with an asterisk (\*) are authorized for issue). Such issues will be made only to the U.S. officer designated as the "Property Accountable Officer

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for Italian units" by each Service having operational control of the Italian units. No issues will be made either to the Italian unit or the U.S. parent unit. Issue of heavy tentage except as specifically authorized in appropriate "Special Tables of Equipment for Italian Service Units (POW)" is prohibited. This must be obtained from Italian Military stocks. Issues of tents, shelter half from U.S. Class "X" stocks is authorized to extent of availability. If that source is inadequate, then requests for Tents, shelter half from U. S. Class "B" stocks will be submitted for reference to COMZONE MTOUSA for approval.

d. Class III:

- (1) P.O.L. supplies will be issued in accordance with procedure set forth in AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 11, dated 28 February 1944.
- (2) Fuel (coal, coke, and wood) will be issued on the same scale and in the same manner as authorized for U.S troops.

e. Class IV:

- (1) Other than Medical Supplies: Major items will be issued only in the case of operational necessity for a special and temporary task charged only to the Property Accountable Officer for the Service having operational control of the Italian Army unit concerned, issue to be on M/R for not more than fifteen (15) days.
- (2) Class IV - Medical Supplies:
  - (a) Supply of medical items to U.S.-ITI units will be through normal U.S. Army medical channels. U.S.-ITI units will submit separate requisitions for Medical supplies through U.S. Army parent units. Items and scale of issue will be restricted to normal requirements of unit disposables.
  - (b) Major non-expendable items of Medical equipment will be issued only on authority of AFHQ. Requests for such authority will be processed through this Headquarters and Comzone.
  - (c) Minor non-expendable items such as forceps, operating knives, stethoscopes, etc., may be issued on shipping ticket when, in the opinion of the issuing agency, definite need exists and issue can be made without jeopardy to depot supply position.
- (3) Hospitalization:
  - (a) The Italian Medical Services will maintain adequate medical hospitals and services for all the Italian Armed Forces.
  - (b) The evacuation will be wherever practicable to Italian hospitals.
  - (c) In an emergency, personnel may be admitted to U.S. or British hospitals and will be subsisted the same as U.S. or British patients.

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(d) The Italian Medical Service personnel in Italian hospitals and all Italian Armed Forces patients will be maintained as follows:

1. Rations: From international ITI-ITI stocks provided by U.S. and controlled by MMIA.
2. Medical Supplies: From international stocks provided by United Kingdom and controlled by MMIA.

f. Class V - No issues to Italian Army units.

g. Disinfectants and other expendable items are authorized for issue only as shown below: (NO issue of soap or toilet paper from U.S. stocks will be made as these items must come from Italian sources).

|                                 |                      |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Items                           | 1,000 Men<br>30 Days |
| Calcium Hypochlorite            | 900 tubes            |
| Repellent, insect, 2 oz btl     | 2,000 btl            |
| Calcium Hypochlorite            | 60 lbs               |
| Ribbon, fly                     | 50                   |
| Calcium cyanide rat poison      | 1 lb                 |
| Insecticide, powder, body, 2 oz | 625 cans             |
| Insecticide Spray               | 8 gals               |
| Cresol                          | 10 gals              |
| No. 2 Diesel Oil                | 120 gals             |
| Paris Green                     | 20 lbs               |

5. REQUISITIONS

a. For all Italian Army units assigned FBS:

(1) Items of U.S. origin: Consolidated requisitions will be submitted only by 212th Italian Command twice monthly on 1st and 15th of each month (except for Medical supplies, procedure outlined in paragraph 4 c (2)). (Class I on daily telegram by 212th Italian Command.)

(2) Items of Italian origin: (supplemental ration items furnished by Italian War Ministry.) 212th Italian Command will obtain from the Italian War Ministry and handle the transportation, warehousing and issue of same. In emergencies, 212th Italian Command may call on FBS Quartermaster for assistance in the movement of such stocks, in which cases FBS Quartermaster will bid to Transportation the tonnage involved and insure delivery to desired destinations.

b. For all Italian Army units assigned to Fifth Army:

(1) Items of U.S. origin: Separate consolidated requisitions will be submitted by Fifth Army for Italian requirements at the same time that present regular 10-day maintenance requisitions are submitted for U.S. troops, except that for rations the daily telegram will simply state strength of U.S.-ITIS.

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(2) Items of Italian origin: (Supplemental ration items furnished by Italian War Ministry.) Will be procured by the 210th Division. Italian War Ministry will bid for necessary transportation.

c. For Italian Army units assigned AAF/MTO:

(1) Items of U.S. origin: Consolidated requisitions will be submitted by AAFSC/MTO for Italian requirements twice monthly on 1st and 15th of each month, except that for rations the daily telegram will simply state strength of U.S.-ITIS.

(2) Items of Italian origin: (Supplemental ration items furnished by Italian War Ministry.) Will be procured by the 205th Division. Italian War Ministry will bid for necessary transportation.

6. ACCOUNTING

a. PBS Quartermaster will secure and forward to MMIA "Ration Issued Note", MMIA form ST/8, signed by authorized Italian Officer for each issue of rations to the 212th Italian Command and for any issues made directly from PBS Quartermaster depots to isolated U.S.-ITI units which cannot be supplied practicably by 212th Italian Command depots. In addition the 212th Italian Command and said isolated units will submit standard daily telegram per Natousa Circular #116.

b. All PBS Services will secure and forward to MMIA U.S. shipping tickets with prices extended and totalled, signed by an authorized Italian Officer for all issues (except rations) made to 212th Italian Command and for any issues (except rations) made directly from PBS depots to isolated U.S.-ITI units which cannot be supplied practicably by 212th Italian Command depots.

c. Fifth Army will secure and forward to MMIA "Ration Issue Note", MMIA form ST/8, signed by authorized Italian Officer covering all rations issued to Italian units.

d. Fifth Army will secure and forward to MMIA, U.S. shipping tickets with prices extended and totalled, signed by authorized Italian Officers covering all issues other than rations made to Italian units.

e. AAFSC/MTO is responsible for the same action as outlined for Fifth Army in paragraph 6 c and d, above.

f. 212th Italian Command will secure signed "Ration Note", MMIA form ST/8, covering all issues of rations made to individual Italian units which they supply, assemble these signed forms and forward same through Chief Liaison Officer, PBS, to MMIA.

7. Chief Liaison Officer, Peninsular Base Section, will be responsible for all contacts with MMIA and Italian War Ministry and will take steps to insure compliance by such elements with the policies herein contained.

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8. Attention of Fifth Army and AAFSC/MTO is especially invited to last sentence of paragraph 2, Comzone Circular No. 119, cs. Fifth Army and AAFSC/MTO will forward estimates of their respective anticipated strengths to Penbase (Attn: Quartermaster) by the 5th of each month for succeeding month. Quartermaster will forward such estimates with Penbase estimate furnished by 2698th Technical Supervisory Regiment to MMIA by the 10th of each month.

By order of Colonel OXX:

EDWARD T. FOSTER  
Lt. Colonel, GSC  
A. C. of S., G-4

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From: CG MTOUSA

Ref: FX24215

To : Penbase, 5 Army, Adriatic Depot,  
Rome Area Command, AAFSC/MTO, Hq. Comd.  
AFHQ, MMIA

Date: 101/40A

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Effective 1 Mar 1945, the provisions of cable FX 72526 dated 21 Dec 1944 are rescinded. (FX24215 cite NAQMC Signal CG MTOUSA). As of the 15 Feb and monthly thereafter addressees will submit report to this HQ consisting of following information:

- Column A. A list of all items of clothing and individual equipment produced within the command not suitable for reissue to this troops.
- Column B. Quantity of those items on hand a beginning of period.
- Column C. Quantity produced during the period.
- Column D. Quantities received from other sources including MMIA during period.
- Column E. Quantities issued to Italian Service units (ex POW) of the command.
- Column F. Quantities issued to US-ITI Units within your command.
- Column G. Shortages required for issue to Italian Service Units and/or US-ITIS.
- Column H. Quantity shipped to other commands upon authority of this HQ.
- Column I. Quantity issued to organizations within the command for minimum essential issues to civilians employed by the organizations in necessary out-of-doors work. This remains organizational property.
- Column J. Balance on hand at end of month.

All outer garments, wool and cotton, except raincoats and headgear issued to Italian Service Units and US-ITI troops will be dyed green prior to issue. Raincoats will have either "ISU" or "US-ITI" stenciled in white letters four inches high on back of coat. CG Fifth Army only may eliminate dyeing of clothing for Italian troops if considered necessary for protection of personnel in combat areas.

Distribution between major commands will be controlled by this HQ after 1 Mar and requests for essential requirements for US-ITI and ISU not available from that generated within the command in accordance with paragraph 2b Annex C to AFHQ letter of 22 Sept, will be submitted here.

Accounting procedures are not changed and are in accordance with AFHQ letter AG 400/031 GDS-O, dated 6 Oct. 1944. Records of issue to US-ITIS must be kept current and available to officers of Inspector General and

Signal FX24215 dated 10 Feb Contd.

Inspecting teams of this HQ. Illegal disposal of US property by US-ITIS will be dealt with firmly under existing authority of commanders.

MMIA will report to this HQ in allocating items surplus to ITI-ITI requirements for US-ITI troops.

Reference Annex B to AFHQ letter 33 Sept. , and within the ability of the CG 5 Army, CO Adriatic Depot and CO PENBASE to do so, the scale of issue for US-ITIS is amended as follows:

- (a) For US-ITI troops north of latitude 42 degrees, issue is authorised during winter months of equivalent to 4 used blankets.
- (b) For US-ITI troops south of latitude 42 degrees issue is authorised during winter months of equivalent of three used blankets.

Subject: Issue of Ammunition to Gruppis.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M. M. I. A.) ROME  
AQ/2/15-36

6 Feb 45

To : DADOS (Ammunition) AFHQ.

1. The Italian Government is to be charged the rates shown in V.A.O.S. for British Ammunition supplied to Gruppis.
2. To properly charge the Italian Government it is necessary to have each voucher signed by an Italian receiving officer in addition to the signature of the British issuing officer.
3. Kindly inform the ammunition depots of this procedure and have the depots forward a copy of the signed and priced voucher to this headquarters.

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

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MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY  
APO 512

Suspense: H4

Date:

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SUBJECT: Forest Green Dye.

No. From To Date

1. CH 25 Jan.  
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Following prices are furnished for your information:

a. Forest green dye (compound coloring, type 1,  
color G) 67¢ per gallon delivered to Port of Embarkation.

b. Forest green dye (Powdered form) 46-2/10¢ per  
pound delivered to Port of Embarkation.

*T. E. Ransley*  
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Brigadier General, USA  
Chief Quartermaster

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