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Subject: Neo-Fascist Prisoners, Female, Florence Camp

Land Forces  
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)  
Rome  
C/6

September 1945

To : Minister for War

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1. Effective date of transfer of prisoners and camp to Italian War Ministry: 25 September 1945.

2. Troops

Due to the exposed location of the camp (on the Piss Road in the outskirts of Florence), and the fact that the prisoners are women, Colonel Piccinini stated that Territorial Headquarters No 7 must have assigned for this duty one non-commissioned officer and 18 men of the CC.RR, as ordinary soldiers could not satisfactorily handle the camp. This is agreed, and the CC.RR personnel of the 210 Division is made available for this purpose. The required personnel must be moved by you to Florence to arrive not later than 22 September.

3. Camp Equipment and Property

a. All necessary equipment and property now in use at the camp will be left in place, including US and captured property, the main items being:

- 1 Truck, Cargo, 6 x 6, US
- 2 Trailers, Water, US
- 1 Range, Field, US
- Cans, Galvanized, US
- Water Cans, US
- 1 Pump, water

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 Cans, Salvaged, US  
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 1 Pump, water

b. A US Detachment, attached to MMIA LO Florence, will take over all property from the POW Command, and will loan the property to the Italian Command. The US Detachment will operate the US truck for hauling water and rations. All US property will be withdrawn as soon as suitable Italian items can be substituted, this substitution being arranged by Major Van Kirk and Territorial Headquarters No 7, and when completed the US Detachment will be withdrawn.

c. The prisoners have sufficient blankets and housekeeping equipment, which will remain.



#### Rations

a. The ration of the prisoners is as follows:

##### US Army Items

|                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|
| Flour or biscuit | 8-4/5 oz         |
| Canned meat      | 3-3/5 oz         |
| Dry vegetables   | 1-5/5 oz (P/B/L) |
| Sugar            | 1-1/5 oz         |
| Milk powder      | 1/2 oz           |
| Coffee           | 4/5 oz           |
| Cheese           | 1/8 oz           |

##### Italian Items

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| Fresh vegetables | 8 oz   |
| Fresh fruit      | 4 oz   |
| Salt             | 3/8 oz |
| Olive oil        | 1 oz   |

About 2,000 calories

b. The US Army portion of the ration will be drawn from US Army sources until 1 December 1945, by Major Van Kirk, on the basis of the strength present in the camp. There will be no charge to the Italian Government for the US Army rations.

c. The Italian portion of the items will be furnished from Italian Army Depots. The baking of bread will be handled by the Italian Army in Florence.

#### 5. Medical Care and Supplies

a. There is a hospital section set up in the camp, with a nurse (POW). Only the most serious cases requiring hospitalization must be sent from the camp. Colonel Piccinini stated that such cases would be sent to civilian hospitals and properly guarded, and this is satisfactory.

b. Medical supplies for the prisoners are from captured German stocks, and a 90-day level will be furnished the camp by the POW Command, where the supplies are available. Any additional supplies needed will be furnished from Italian Army sources.

c. A number of prisoners are now being hospitalized at the US Military hospitals. As soon as possible such prisoners will be returned to the camp, or transferred by the POW Command to Italian civil hospital designated by Territorial Headquarters. Arrangements will be made on the spot by the POW Command, Major Van Kirk and Territorial Headquarters.

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Fresh vegetables 8 oz  
 Fresh fruit 4 oz  
 Salt 3/8 oz  
 Olive oil 1 oz

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#### 6. POL

The POL necessary for the operation of the assigned US motor vehicles and camp equipment will be drawn from Allied sources until 1 December 1945 by Major Van Kirk, and will not be a charge against War Ministry allotments. This does not include motor vehicles or equipment assigned to the Italian Army Units stationed at the camp.

#### 7. US Detachment

a. The US Detachment assigned to the camp will be (1) responsible for US property and operation of US motor vehicles, (2) responsible for securing the necessary US rations and POL.



b. Liaison between the Territorial Headquarters and Camp Commander with Allied Agencies will be handled by Major Van Kirk.

8. Prisoners wanted by the Allies

The Allies reserve the right to demand and receive from the Italian Government any prisoner in the camp, at anytime.

9. Additional Prisoners

Except for those prisoners returned by the POW Command from hospitals, no additional prisoners will be admitted to the camp except those delivered on written orders of MTOUSA POW Command. On 14 September there were 293 female prisoners in the camp.

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

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cc: CG, MTOUSA (5)  
CG, PENBASE (4)  
CT, MTOUSA POW COMMAND (4)  
HQ, ALCOM (3)  
Major Van Kirk  
MMIA LO PENBASE (2)

INTERNAL

MA to GOC  
C (3)  
SD (3)  
A (3)  
ST (1)  
2691 (1)

SUBJECT: PWE 37  
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.O. (M. M. I. A.) R O M R  
Q/1/43-2  
10 October 1945  
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TO : Ministry of War  
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1. Reference is made to your letters, 18560/S/1 dated 28 September and 19127/S/1 dated 5 October.
2. Confirming telephone conversation from our ST Section to your office, after the Neo Fascists Camp has been moved from Pisa to Arezzo, rations will continue to be drawn from American ration distribution depot at Leghorn. Detail arrangements will be made by M.M.I.A. personnel attached to the Pisa camp for the Camp Commander.

*Tommy T. Moore*  
TOMMY T. MOORE, Lt. Col.  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to ST Section

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~~1. Station added information.~~

Per 13 Camps.

86 Area, 201 Sub Area for MMIA LO.

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Your Q1462 of 8-2 No repeat no slots for  
24 MMIA ITI-ITI Reports will be issued  
for Station leave and Transit Camps in  
accordance with par 11 f of AFHQ letter  
file AG 091 711/169 GET-C Subject Command  
and Administration Station Group dated  
16 Nov 1944. Situation well known to  
War Ministry.

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COPY INQUIRY SIGNAL

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DATE TIME

FROM MINUSA HIGHED COMBINED GITE MAGAP

REF 081620 E

TO STRAHE - ALCON

PRIORITY

INFO POW COMBINED MINUSA

FX 41925

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GRANTED IS AUTHORITY TO MAKE AVAILABLE FOR USE OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PRISONERS OF WAR ENCLOSURE NUMBER 336 TO ACCOMMODATE ITALIAN MILITARY PRISONERS. ENCLOSURE, BUILDINGS AND FURNITURE ONLY WILL BE TURNED OVER. ITALIAN REPRESENTATIVES THROUGH ALCON SHOULD CONTACT STRAHE IMMEDIATELY TO COMPLETE NEGOTIATION. BASE CONDITIONS IMPOSED AS FOR USE OF PRISONERS OF WAR ENCLOSURE NUMBER 337 RECENTLY LOANED ITALIAN MINISTRY OF WAR

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SUBJECT: Ltr. of Transmittal

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) H O M E  
8/1/43-1  
7 September 1945

TO : MMIA LO o/o Florence City Command,  
MMIA LO o/o Liaison Section, PBS,  
MMIA LO PWE 337, Pisa - o/o MMIA LO PBS

1. We are attaching hereto copy of signal received from  
MIOUSA concerning PWE 337, which pertains to our letter  
O/6 dated 25 August 1945.

*James H. Rose*  
JAMES H. ROSE, Lt. Col.  
for Major General  
M. M. I. A.

FTR/r1  
Incl: Signal FX-41301

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FROM: MTOUSA (SIGNED COMBENKED CITE NAODE)

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TO : PHIBASE

INFO: M.M.I.A. MTOUSA POW COMMAND

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RESTRICTED (.) FX41301 (.) ARRANGEMENTS OUTLINED IN MIA LETTER,  
SUBJECT CLM QUOTE NEG-FASCIST PRISONERS, P I S A CAMP UNQUOTE,  
DATED 25 AUGUST HAVE MTOUSA APPROVAL (.) ANSWERING PBS CABLE  
10124 OF 1 SEPTEMBER. AUTHORITY IS GRANTED TO TAKE SUPPLY  
ACTION IN ACCORD WITH REFERENCE LETTER

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