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EQUIPMENT (ARMS)

Sept. 9, 1946 - Jan. 22, 1947

EQUIPMENT (ARMS)(2082
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Sept. 9, 1946 - Jan. 22, 1947

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DIREZIONE ARTIGLIERIA - BOLOGNA

29 GEN 1947

Bologna, 11 22 gennaio 1947

Ufficio Amministrazione

Al 6° B.L.U.

(British Liaison Unit)

UDINE

Risposta al foglio N. del

Prot. N. A/602 Allegati 2

Oggetto: Spedizione fucili Sten

e, per conoscenza:

AL 6° B.L.U. (British Liaison Unit) BOLOGNA
 (riferimento foglio Q/7/I del 16/I/947)
 AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE BOLOGNA
 (rif. f. 02/283/Serv. del 16/I/947)
 AL COMANDO ARTIGLIERIA BOLOGNA

 In data odierna sono stati spediti all'indirizzo di codesto Comando n. 37 fucili Sten e n. 74 caricatori per detti fucili.

Il materiale è scortato dall'operaio Selmi Amedeo.

Si allega un elenco -in duplice copia- dei materiali spediti, con preghiera di restituirne una copia per ricevuta con firma e bolli di codesto Comando.

Non appena saranno riparati i rimanenti fucili Sten sarà provveduto per una successiva spedizione.



p. IL COLONNELLO DIRETTORE a.p.s.
 IL T. COLONNELLO V. DIRETTORE
 (Michele Imbergamo)

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TRANSMISSION

Arty Direction - Bologna -
- Administration Office -

Nº. A/602

Enclosures: 2

22 Jan 47.

SUBJECT: - Forwarding of Sten Rifles. -

5 B. L. U. -
and for info:

U D I N E

6 B. L. U. - (ref. letter Q/7/I of 16 Jan 47)

TERRITORIAL COMMAND - (ref. letter 02/283/Serv. dated
16 Jan 47 .9)

ARTY COMMAND -

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Nº. 37 ' Sten ' rifles with 74 clips have to day been
forwaeded to this Command. -

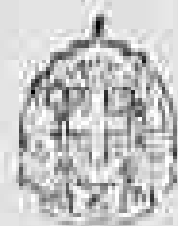
The a/q material is escorted by worker SELMI Amedeo.
2 copies of list of material forwarded are herewith
appended. -

It is requested that you send back one of them to
this Arty Direction signed for receipt. -

A further forwarding will be done as soon as the other
rifles are repaired. -

For the Director
Sgd: (M. Imbergamo, Lt. Col.)

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Mod. C 103
(R. 1937 - Anno XV)

MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI FERROVIE DELLO STATO

Trasporti militari in Conto corrente a Piccola Velocità

BOLLETTINO DI CONSEGNA

Spedizione a PICCOLA VELOCITÀ da Bologna, diretta al Sig. S. B. L. U.

Porto di Conto corrente T 1947

Consegna in Stazione.

QUANTITÀ dei colli	QUALITÀ della merce	NATURA E QUALITÀ DELLA MERCE Voce secondo la precisa denominazione corrente (2)	MARCHE	NUMERI	PESO in chilogrammi	
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1	cassa	Contenente n. 37 lucidi Stein e n. 34 caricatori			186	

Trasporto militare in Conto corrente a tariffa speciale, scortato dalla richiesta di spedizione N. 787/638
rilasciata da DIREZIONE ARTIGLIERIA - BOLOGNA 22 Gennaio 1947

Domanda della tariffa... mittente Lo. più favorevole
Carico eseguito dal mittente Scarico eseguito dal Destinatario
Documenti: richiesta di spedizione (mod. 2235 (141)) ed altri

Spedizione

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Arrivo

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Firma dello Speditore

Il Capo della Stazione di Arrivo

2109

Subject : Sten guns

6 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
Tel : 28032
Ref : Q/7/1
20-1-1947

To: Artillery Directorate -
BOLOGNA - San Mamolo 2

Reference your 'phone call of 18-1-1947 -
The 40 Sten rifles should be sent by you to 5 B.L.U. Udine, direct.

[Signature]
Major DRA & CMG
6 BLU

Traduzione -

Oggetto: Fucili Sten -

Riferimento alla Vs, chiamata telefonica del 18-1-1947 -

I 40 Fucili Sten dovrebbero essere spediti da Voi al 5 BLU di Udine direttamente.

F.to il Maggiore WH.WRITER

2108

va.

Subject: STEN GUNS.

6 British Liaison Unit
Tel: 28032
Ref: 2/7/1
16th Jan. '47

To: VI COMITRER

Reference your 19727/Serv of 16 Dec. '46.

Please despatch the 40 BRITISH Sten guns to 5 B.L.U., UDINE, immediately, in accordance with ITALIAN Ministry of War instructions, and notify this office when the transaction is completed.

P. A. D. M.
Major D.M. & C.M.
6 BLU

Traduzione

Oggetto: FUCILI STEN.

Con riferimento alla Vostra 19727/Serv del 16 Dic. '46.

Si prega di voler inviare immediatamente al 5 B.L.U., UDINE, i 40 fucili STEN, in conformita' con quanto disposto dal Ministero della Guerra ITALIANO. Si prega inoltre di voler avvisare questo ufficio quando cio' e' stato fatto.

Copia al 5 B.L.U.

20 GEN 1947

WTE/ls

SEEN BY	
CSO I	<i>Quinn</i>
CSO II	<i>Th</i>
DAA & CMG	<i>au.</i>
S. C. FINE	
S. C. S. & I.	<i>2</i>
S. C. CTD.	
C. C. S.	

To Ord. Gen. & Disposal Unit on arrival Quinn

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Indicazioni di urgenza

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N. 96

Consegnato al mess. ore ore

DELLO B.

SERVIZIO TELEGRAFICO MILITARE

5° Blu

Stazione Telegrafica
DI

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Ricevuto il 28/12		19/16		Le ore si contano sul meridiano medio dell'Europa centrale, di seguito da una mezzanotte all'altra.				
Ricevente Roma		9/16						
QUALIFICA	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	NUM. del Teleg.	PAROLE	GRUPPI	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE		INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI di servizio
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						28	1015	

5° Blu Udine - 96° del your msg/12/30 stop
one stop disposal of 9 tons should be
reflected through - with stores and eqpt
disposal unit stop two stop can't serve
order is needed -
Udine

SEEN BY	
GSO I	Al
GSO II	Al
DAA & CMG	Al
S. C. REME	
S. C. S. & I.	Al
S. C. ORD.	Al
CLERKS	

Ums is
I sent to
a reply
signal
G. 113
2105
for

AP/44

20 DEC 1946

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Telephone:

Rome, 489084 Ext. 218

LAND FORCES SUB-COMM, AC (AMIA) CMF

SD/109/2

16 Dec 46

LIST 'B'

Subject: Standardisation of Italian Weapons

1. The ALLIES have proved unable at present, to supply, in some cases, a sufficiency of BRITISH weapons of all the types required by the ITALIAN Interim Army, and in other cases, a sufficiency of ammunition for such weapons as can be supplied.
2. It has therefore been agreed between this HQ, and the Ministry of War that, in place of the BRITISH weapons originally desired, the ITALIANS should standardise on certain types of ITALIAN weapons of which they have a sufficiency immediately available, and for which they have also ample ammunition.

3. The following ITALIAN weapons will be adopted:

- (i) BERETTA automatic pistol mod. 34 cal 9 (in place of BRITISH pistol rev. "38)
- (ii) BERETTA automatic carbine mod. 38 cal. 9 (in place of BRITISH TSMG).
- (iii) 45mm Mortar mod. 35 (in place of BRITISH 2" Mortar)
- (iv) 81mm Mortar mod. 35 (in place of BRITISH 3" and 4" 2 Mortars).
- (v) BREDA MG mod. 37 cal. 8 (in place of BRITISH VICKERS MGC)

4. It is realised that the ITALIAN 45mm Mortar is not at present as good as the BRITISH 2" Mortar, although it is considered that with the production of new amm, particularly smoke (which is in hand) the 45mm Mortar will be an adequate substitute as an inf pl weapon.

5. Exhaustive comparative tests have been carried out between the 81mm and 3" Mortars, as a result of which this HQ is of opinion that there is little to choose between the two weapons.

6. Adoption of the BREDA MG was agreed in Aug 46.

old will probably have a busy time when the British Staff is handed in

Signature of
Lt-Col,

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Lt-Col,
GS, MILH.

Copy to : AFHQ } Who will please delete these weapons from
GHQ } Staff Tables of requirements of ITALIAN Army.

Internal : 'O' } Who will please ascertain from Ministry of War
ORD } progress and expected completion date of substitution
of ITALIAN for BRITISH weapons, in order that G(SD)
may in due course request from GHQ instructions for
disposal of BRITISH weapons.

No action by us at present

note and

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Amendment of

TRANSLATION

5 ITALIAN TERRIT COMMAND UDINE
- Ufficio Servizi -

No. 15349/8/9/9/Art

13 Dec 46

Subject: - Sten Rifles.

5 P.L.U. Udine

Ref letter n. 15273/8/9/9 dated 12 Dec 46.

5 CAR has informed with a telegram that Sten Rifles previously allotted to them have been handed over to Arty Directorate Naples on the end of Oct 46, as stated by Ministry of War.

by order
Chief of Staff
Sgd: Col. A. Icardi

17 DIC 1946

SEEN BY	
GSO I	<i>[initials]</i>
GSO II	<i>[initials]</i>
DAA & CMB	<i>ali.</i>
S. C. FINE	
S. C. S. & T.	<i>[initials]</i>
S. C. ORD.	
CLERKS.	

- There are *the only Sten*
in S.T.F. state working
Reply to Feb 71.

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CSO/drs

AR/44/

16 DIC. 1946

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE
- Ufficio Servizi -

N.15349/S/9/9/Art. di prot.

Udine, li 13 dicembre 1946

OGGETTO: Moschetti Sten.-

AL COMANDO DEL 5° B.L.U.

S E D E

A seguito attergato n.15273/S/9/9/Art. del 12 c.m.
si comunica che il Comando 5° C.A.R. ha telegraficamente informato
che i moschetti Sten in dotazione sono stati già versati alla Direzione
Artiglieria di Napoli, come da ordine del Ministero Guerra, sino
dalla fine di ottobre u.s.-

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col. A. Icardi)*Icardi*

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ARMY FORM 02136 (Rev. 4)

MESSAGE FORM

Call	Serial No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions	Register No.
ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY				
FROM (A)	Originator	Date/Time of Origin	Operator Data Stamp	
	HQ No 5 B.L.U.	16 1515 A		
	For Action			
	Land Forces Sub Comm MMA			
TO	(W) For Information (INFO)		Message Instructions	GP
	5 T territorial Command			

(GVA) 351 Wt 919 (4) 200,000 Pads 5.43 B.A.S. (11) 21-5745 6

Originator's No. **AG/44/79** (.) UNCLASS (.) SUBJECT IS HANDING IN STENS (.) REF SM SERVICE 1/3647/Serv
 to 5 Territorial Command Copy to MMA (.) REQUEST (.) ONE (.) ORDERS TO CONFIRM
 ARRANGEMENTS ABOVE SIGNAL (.) TWO (.) ORDERS FOR DISPOSAL OF STENS ON RECEIPT (.)
 5 BLU ADOS DUMP WILL NOT BE IN OPERATION TILL AFTER 10 JAN

 THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN
 BY ANY MEANS (EXCEPT)

 IT IS LIABLE TO BE INTERRUPTED OR TO
 FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS. THIS MES-
 SAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

 ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
 DEGREE OF PRIORITY

ROUTINE

Signed

Thibaut
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Signed

Time	System	Op.
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Time cleared		

MBHF V HAR 100/2 QVR2/3/

FROM ORD BTA 141130A

16 DEC 1946

TO ORD SUB DEPOT KLAGENFURT

INFO OO ~~REDACTED~~ 1 AGRA. 5 BLU UDINE. 500 AOD
BT

10261/2/ORD(1) UNCLASSIFIED. REF CONVERSATION MITCHELL

- BUSBY OF 13 DEC RIFLES NO 1 MK III RECEIVED FROM VIENNA AREA

WILL NOT BE DUMPED BUT WILL BE CONSIGNED TO SECOND ADDRESSEE FOR

THIRD ADDRESSEE PENDING COMPLETIONS OF DOCUMENTATION.

ORDERS FOR HANDOVER TO THIRD ADDRESSEE WILL BE ISSUED AS

SOON AS CLEARANCE HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM GHQ CMF

BT

RPTN 10261/2/ORD(1) MITCHELL BUSBY 13 1 III

SENT RAM AR K

Does anybody know, from whom rifles
are concerned as who they are for? No, but they are to be
sent by O.C. on 17 Dec - well signed

CSO I	<i>Arwin</i>
CSO II	<i>M</i>
OAA & CMF	<i>all</i>
S. G. RESE	
S. G. RESE	
S. G. RESE	<i>Long</i>

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SUBJECT: Standardisation of Arms

5 British Liaison Unit
Tele: 1553
AD/44/68

14 Dec 46.

HQ
5 Territorial Command

Ref your 4964/S/9/9 dated 5 Dec 46.

1. The ideal of course is for one uniform pattern rifle (preferably LEE ENFIELD) to be issued throughout the Command. However, under the present circumstances it is doubtful whether this is possible, particularly as the Command is bound to be on a lower priority than say the Combat Divisions.

2. As regards the detailed distribution, it is observed that the TOMMYCOO Bn is equipped with three different pattern rifles. As the Bn is in an operational role it is thought that perhaps it would be better if the 37 Ramingtons and 11 R.F.s were exchanged for 48 L.R.s from say the Mortar Coy. However, in view of the small numbers involved you may not think that the exchange would be worth while.

3. It is noted that the L'AQUILA Bn is some 120 rifles deficient. Please continue to press the Ministry of War for this deficiency to be made up. You should ask for LEE ENFIELD Mark 4.

FIELD
ARMY/RW

Copy to: G (AD) MIA together with detailed breakdown - your AD/109/2 dated 4 Oct 46 refers. It will be apparent that it is not possible for 5 Terr. Comd to make an adequate re-distribution from within their own resources.

Colin Allen
Lt. Col,
GS.

File

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ANGW/rw

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Diary

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Adrian Nelson

Lt. Col,
GS.

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TELEGRAM

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FROM ROME 121172 94 9 1330

Territorial Command Udine - 5 M Servizi 4/357/SERV(.) Reference
 you telegraphic request reply to your n. 03/5799/11 dated 30 Nov has
 been forwarded to Milan, Bolzano, Udine, Bologna, Firenze, Rome, Naples,
 Bari, Palermo and for information to War Art and Land Forces Sub Comm(.)
 500 Automatic rifles eventually at dependent Units will be given to
 BLU for successive forwarding to BLU Udine for Comiliter Torino, Genoa,
 Milan, Bolzano, Udine, Bologna, Firenze, to BLU Naples, for Comiliter
 Rome, Naples, Bari, Palermo.

5 ITALIAN TERRIT COMMAND UDINE
 - Ufficio Servizi -

n. 15273/S/9/9 Art

12 Dec 46

To: 5 C.A.R.

Modena

for info

In Entry Command
 5 E.U.

Padova
Udine

Ref telephonic communication and for action.

5 BLU is kindly requested to inform this HQ when the
 arms will be sent from Modena to Udine and to which Unit.

14 DIC. 1946

SEEN BY	
C.O.I.	<i>W</i>
C.O.II	<i>W</i>
C.A. & C.M.	<i>all</i>
S. C. M. E.	
S. C. S. I.	
S. C. C. D.	<i>W</i>
C. I. T. E.	

Will you try and find out what this means, if they don't know upstairs, we will have to ask M.M.I.A. W

by order
 Chief of Staff
 Sgd: Col A. Isardi

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SUBJECT:- Ammunition - Training.

5 British Liaison Unit.

Tele: 1657,

NO/44/47

9 Dec 46.

EMRA,
HQ 1 AGRA

Ref conversation Lt Col A.H.G. WATKIN, and yourself, herewith this Unit's requirements.

.303 in Mk vii	Bar	rd	1000
" " Mk vii	Gun	"	1000
Tracer .303 in	G Mk ii	"	1248
Incendiary .303	Mk vii	"	1248
.45 Thompson S.M.G.		"	2000
Bombs	M.L.	2 in Mortar H.E.	100
"	"	" Smoke	100
"	"	" Signal Single Star Red	40
"	"	" Signal Single Star Green	30
"	"	2 in Multi Star White	30
"	"	3 in Mortar H.E.	250
"	"	" " Smoke	150
Piast		rd	50
Grenades 36 m. Hand			40
" No 81 or 80			60

FIELD
LASC/meh

Capt.
R.S.G.

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TRANSLATION

5 ITALIAN TERRIT COMMAND UDINE
- Ufficio Servizi -

No. 14964/S/9/9 Art

5 Dec 46

Subject: - 303 Rifles.

5 B.L.U. Udine

TRANSLATE

Please

Ref letter AQ 44/64 dat d 9 Oct 46.

The attached return showing the present allocation of British weapons to CAR and 8 Alpini Regt, is forwarded.

At present time there are no possibilities to effect an adequate redistribution of various weapons within Units, therefore 5 BLU is kindly requested to express its opinion before to put the question in Ministry of War hands.

X (The Distribution Answer to Post no. 14964)
A h was any need to Re-distrib. (14964)?

SECRET	
CSD I	Allen
GSO II	W
DAA & CAG	W.
S. C. FOME	
S. C. S. & T.	
S. C. CRD.	
CLEAR	

by order
Chief of Staff
Sgd: Col A. Leardi

Comd/ Sini.

Ref. above.

Your minister for

7/12

A.G.
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C O P I A

TELEGRAMMA

URGENTE

6/11/46

A UDINE DA ROMA 121172 94 9 1330

COMILITER UDINE - STAMAGGIORE SERVIZI 4/3647/SERV. ALT DIRETTO COMILITER
TORINO RISPOSTA SUO 03/5799/11 DEL 30 NOVEMBRE, GENOVA, RIFERIMENTO SUA
RICHIESA TELEGRAFICA, MILANO, BOLZANO, UDINE, BOLOGNA, FIRENZE, ROMA, NAPOLI,
BARI, PALERMO, ET PER CONOSCENZA GUERRA ARTIGLIERIA ET LAND FORCE SUB COM
MISSION PUNTO MOSCHETTI AUTOMATICI STEN EVENTUALMENTE ESISTENTI PRESSO
ENTI DIPENDENTI SIANO MESSE DISPOSIZIONE RISPETTIVI BLU PER SUCCESSIVO
AVVIAMENTO AT BLU UDINE PER COMILITER TORINO, GENOVA, MILANO, BOLZANO, UDINE,
BOLOGNA, ET FIRENZE, AT BLU NAPOLI PER COMILITER ROMA, NAPOLI, BARI ET PA
LERMO PUNTO P.C.C. IL CAPO UFFICIO SERVIZI COLONNELLO MELONI

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CSO/mcl

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE

- Ufficio Servizi -

N. 15273/S/9/9 Art. di prot.

Udine li 12 dicembre 1946

AL COMANDO 5° C.A.R.

e per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO FANTERIA

AL 5° B.L.U.

M O D E N A

P A D O V A

U D I N E

.....per l'ottemperanza di quanto disposto dal M.G. ed a se-
guito comunicazione telefonica odierna.-

Il 5° B.L.U. è pregato di comunicare quando le armi dovranno
essere spedite da Modena a Udine e l'Ente che dovrà riceverle.-

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI STATO-MAGIORE
(Col. A. Icardi)

2093

BARI, PALERMO, ET PER CONOSCENZA GUERRA ARTIGLIERIA ET LAND FORCE SUB COM
MISSION PUNTO MOSCHETTI AUTOMATICI STEN EVENTUALMENTE ESISTENTI PRESSO
ENTI DIPENDENTI SIANO MESSI DISPOSIZIONE RISERVA BLU PER SUCCESSIVO
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LERMO PUNTO P.C.C. IL CAPO UFFICIO SERVIZI COLONNELLO MELONI

CSO/mcl

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE 13 DIC 1946
- Ufficio Servizi -

N.15273/S/9/9 Art.di prot.

Udine li 12 dicembre 1946

AL COMANDO 5° C.A.R.

M O D E N A

e per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO FANTERIA

P A D O V A

AL 5° B.L.U.

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO-MAGIORE
(Col. A. Icardi)

2095

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CSO/mcl

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE
Ufficio Servizi -

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N.14964/S/9/9 Art.di p. t.

U ne 11 5 dicembre 1946

OGGETTO: Ducili 303Allegati: n.1

AL COMANDO 5° B.L.U.

S E D E

Riferimento foglio AQ/44/64 del 9 ottobre u.s.-

Si trasmette l'annesso specchio dimostrante l'attuale dotazione di armi inglesi presso il C.A.R. e l'8° Rgt.Alpini.-

Per il momento non si vede alcuna possibilità di perequazione delle armi di vario tipo nell'interno dei reparti, per cui si prega codesto Comando esprimere il suo parere in merito prima di interessare della questione il Ministero della Guerra.-

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col. A. Icardi)*icardi*

5 DIC. 1946



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COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE

- Ufficio Servizi -

Allegato al foglio n. 14964/S/9/9/A

SPECCHIO dimostrativo dei tipi di fucile britannico cal.7,7 in distribuzione a dipendenti.-

RETURN SHOWING THE TYPES OF BRITISH RIFLES CAL.7,7 IN DISTRIBUTION TO DEPENDENT UNITS.

R E P A R T O	Mod. 303 ERA Washington	Mod; 303 Remington 1902 and 1907	Mod. 303 R.F.	Mod. 303 LEE ENTFIELD N.4 MARK - 4	LEE ENTFIELD MARK 1
- Battaglione Alpini "Feltre"	472	-	-	-	-
- Battaglione Alpini "Tolmezzo"	424	37	11	-	-
- Battaglione Alpini "L'Aquila"	6	-	-	350	-
- Compagnia Comando Reggimentale (8° Rgt. Alpini)	86	-	-	-	-
- 8^ Compagnia Mortai (Rgt. Alpini)	94	-	-	-	-
5° C.A.R. Modena	15	-	-	-	2750
- Frazione C.A.R. Sacile	-	-	-	-	1271
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COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE

- Ufficio Servizi -

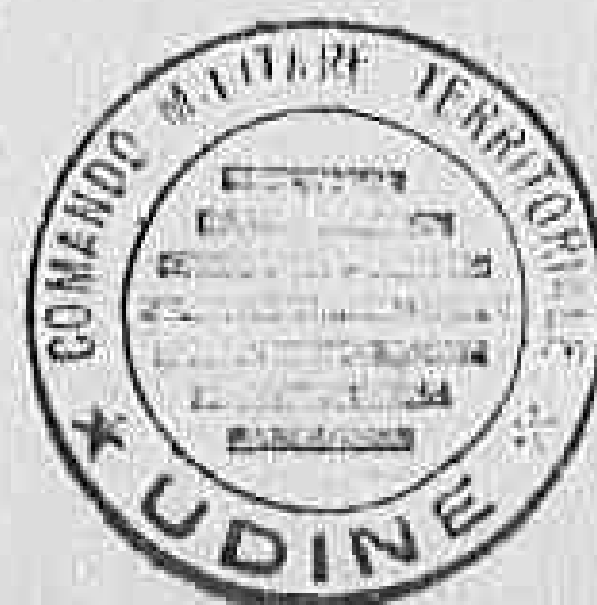
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SPECCHIO dimostrativo dei tipi di fucile britannico cal.7,7 in distribuzione ai reparti dipendenti.-

RETURN SHOWING THE TYPES OF BRITISH RIFLES CAL.7,7 IN DISTRIBUTION TO DEPENDENT UNITS.

REPARTO	Mod. 303 ERA Washington	Mod. 303 Remington 1902 and 1907	Mod. 303 R.F.	Mod. 303 LEE ENTFIELD N.4 MARK - 4	LEE ENTFIELD MARK 1	
Alpini "Feltre"	472	-	-	-	-	
Alpini "Tolmezzo"	424	37	11	-	-	
Alpini "L'Aquila"	6	-	-	350	-	
Comando Reggimentale (Alpini)	86	-	-	-	-	
Mortai (Rgt. Alpini)	94	-	-	-	-	
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SUBJECT: - Rifles .303.

5 British Liaison Unit.
Tel.: 1547

A/44/64

9 Oct 46.

H.Q., 5 Territorial Command.

1. A recent observation from one of the MU's has brought to the fore the question of the many different types of British Rifles issued to the Italian Army.

The Territorial Command in question has been issued with:-

Type	Quantity
Rifles .303 ERA Washington	1,603
" .303 Lee Enfield No 4 Mark I	96
" .303 " " 1914 S.F.T. II	4,010
" .303 REMINGTON 1902 and 1907	20

2. The Lee Enfield is the rifle most familiar to British Forces, the ERA is known either as the "No. 3" or "p 14".
3. The ERA Rifle is chiefly known for its heavier weight, its smaller magazine which holds five rounds only and does not protrude below the stock, and the barrel which protrudes from the fore end for about four inches with a butterfly type foresight guard near the muzzle. There are also certain variations in the bolt mechanism and magazine, and it will not take a standard bayonet as the bayonet is attached to the muzzle itself and not to a boss.
4. This MU recommends that a census should be taken of all Rifles held by Units in the Territorial Command and that Rifles should be redistributed in such a way as to ensure standardisation within Units.

The "ERA" or "p 14" Rifle is least suited to Infantry Units owing to the additional weight and smaller magazine capacity.

5. American .300 Rifles are useless with .303 ammunition, and it is suggested that any such Rifles that are held should be returned to the Ministry of War.
6. Your attention is drawn to Appendix II to Pamphlet 3 of Small Arms Training Volume I which gives variations in the training for the various Rifles.
7. It is requested that you inform this MU whether an adequate redistribution can be effected within 5 Territorial Command, or whether it will be necessary to exchange some Rifles through the Ministry of War in order to obtain a satisfactory standard of uniformity.

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 " " 1912 S.P.T. II
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Major,
 G.S.

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DIARY

SUBJECT: Rifles

SEC 1	GSO I
SEC 2	GSO II
DAA & CMC	
S. C. FEHE	
S. C. S. & T.	
S. C. ORD.	
CHIEFS	

TO : LIST 'B'

103 GSO I
103 GSO II
DAA & CMC
S. C. FEHE
S. C. S. & T.
S. C. ORD.
CHIEFS

SD/109/2

Oct 46

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2. The Territorial Command in question has had an issue of :-

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Rifles .303 TRA Washington	1,603
" .303 Lee Enfield No 4 Mark I	96
" .303 " 1912 S.F.T. II or II	1,010
" .300 Remington 1902 - 1907	20

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Internal Distribution

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Ord

W. W. Hope
26.9.53
 per Major-General,
 M. M. I. L.

Subj: Issue Beretta Pistols - XIII Corps

5 British Liaison Unit
Tel 1555
AQ 44/62

21 Sept 46

Land Forces Sub Comm AG,
(M.M.I.A) ROME

Ref your Q 126 of 5 Jul 46.

1. Issue of Beretta Pistols and 9mm Am to VENEZIA
GIULIA Police Force has now been completed; the following
number of pistols and rds of am were handed over:

Pistols Beretta Automatic Cal. 9mm	- 700
SAA Cal 9mm for do	405000 rds

2. Attached copy of receipt voucher for 420 pistols
and 35000 rds.

FA
VRWJ/aa

July

Johnson
Major,
DAA & CMC.
2090

TRANSLATION

5 TERRITORIAL H.Q. - UDINE
Services Office

No. 1235/S/6/3

21 Sep 46

SUBJECT: - Assignment of pistols and Ammo.To: 5 B/L.U. - UDINE

On Sep 17, 1946 :

- No; 420 pistols "BERRETTA" mod 34, cal 9. with loaders.
- " 420 reserve-loaders for above pistols
- " 420 cloth-holsters " " "
- " 35,000 bullets, cal. 9
- " 18 boxes.

were delivered to H.Q. VENEZIA GIULIA Police Force.

Receipts in triplicate attached herewith and forwarded.

SEEN BY	
G.S.O. I.	<i>[Signature]</i>
DAA & QMG	<i>[Signature]</i>
DADOS	<i>[Signature]</i>
ST	
S.C. REME	<i>[Signature]</i>
G.S.O. II.	<i>[Signature]</i>
CLERKS	

By Order
Sgd: CHIEF OF SERVICES OFFICE a.f.l.
Lt. Col. A.CASSIO

CSO/mcl

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE D'UDINE
- Ufficio Servizi -

N.12035/S/6/3 di prot.

Udine 21 settembre 1946

OGGETTO: Cessione pistole e munizioni.-

AL COMANDO 5° B.L.U.

S E D E

In data 17 corr. mese è stata effettuata la consegna al

Comando Venezia Giulia Police Force di:

- N.420 pistole Beretta mod.34, cal.9 con caricatore;
- " 420 caricatori di riserva per dette;
- " 420 fondine in tessuto per dette;
- " 35.000 cartucce a pall. cal.9;
- " 18 casse da imballo.

Si trasmettono in triplice copia, le ricevute che i magazzini dipendenti si sono fatti rilasciare all'atto della consegna del suddetto armamento e munizionamento.



d'ordine

IL CAPO UFFICIO SERVIZI a.p.l.
(Ten. Col. A. Cassio)

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[Handwritten note: Col. Cassio, 10.10.1964]

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COMANDO VERBALE GIULIA R. CH POROS

Udine 17/Sett. 1946

ALLA SEZIONE STAGNATA ANTIGIULIA DI

U D I N E

RICHIESTA PER I SEGUENTI MATERIALI :

N.° 35.000 cartucce a pallottola cal. 9 per pistole Beretta mod. 14
" 15 canette per dette

R. L. Bors

HURST RONALD
B. 15

2087

COLLE VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE

Udine, 17 Settembre 1946

ALLA SEZIONE STAGIONATA ANTIGIULIANA DI

U.D.I.N.E.

RICEVUTA PER I SEGUENTI MATERIALI:

- n° 420 pistole Beretta cal. 9 Mod. 34 con caricatore
- " 420 caricatori di riserva per pistola Beretta mod. 34 cal. 9
- " 420 fondine per pistola Beretta mod. 34, di tessuto
- " 3 casse da imballo

*R. Huss*HUSSE RONALD
B. 1946

2086

Subject: Repair of Small Arms.

5 British Division Unit
Tel 1657
AQ 44/60

20 Sept 46

5 Territorial Command

Ref your 11560/S/G/3 of 9 Sept 46.

1. As no Allied facilities exist locally for the heavy repair of Small Arms, such repairs now become the responsibility of the Territorial Command and it is desirable that a system is arranged as soon as possible to deal with repairs beyond the capabilities of Unit Armourers.

2. An organization already exists for repairs of Allied Small Arms with Units other than the Infantry divisions, and such repairs are carried out by the "Divisione di Artiglieria" at TURIN, BOLOGNA, ROME and NAPLES. All immediate repairs, therefore, can be dealt with by this source and a request should be sent to the Bologna Depot for their detailed instructions.

3. At the same time, I would suggest that enquiries should be made to the Arsenal at PIACENZA for the supply of spare parts, and if these are obtainable, an Ammunition Section could be set up at 5 Repair Section, Basiliano.

Civilian armourers are being instructed on Allied weapons at the Arms factory, VERONA, and although these are being sent first to the GAR's, I have no doubt that a special request in this case would be given consideration.

FM
JMR/na

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AL COMANDO 5° B.L.U.

S E D E

8. Please Reg. Depot inform to have checked the following small arms that need to be repaired!

Il Deposito dell'8° Reggimento Alpini comunica di avere accantonate le seguenti armi portatili di provenienza alleata abbisognavoli di grandi riparazioni:

ARMI ALLEATE:

P.I.A.T.....	No.....	5
Thompson	".....	4
Fucili L.4	".....	16
Mortai da 2 poll	".....	3
Supporti per P.I.A.T.....	".....	1
Fermo di perno Mortai 2 poll.....	".....	1
Fucile Mitragliatore BREN.....	".....	2
Canne per fucile BREN.....	".....	5

Rifles

Swiss Carbine for 2 inch Mortar
Support for P.I.A.T. P.T. M. T. Carbine
Fermo di perno Mortai 2 poll. Mortar
Fucile Mitragliatore BREN

Canne for L.M.G. "Bren"

Si prega comunicare presso quale ente possano essere versate tali armi per la loro rimessa in efficienza.-

Please inform to what Workshop send a/m. arms are to be delivered
immediately for their restoration.



d'ordine
IL CAPO UFFICIO SERVIZI
Col. L. Olivieri)

Alleviani

STATO	...
DATA	...
CAUSE	...
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COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE (V)

SITUAZIONE ARMAMENTO DELL'8° REGGIMENTO ALPINI RIFERITA
7 SETTEMBRE 1946

STATEMENT SHOWING ARMS HELD BY 8 ALPINI

R E P A R T O UNIT.	PISTOLE DA 0,38 Pistol .28		MOSCHETTI AU TOM. THOMPSON T. M. C.		FUCILI DA 0,03 Rifle .303		FUCILI PER TIRATORI SCELT SNIPER'S RIFLE		MITRAGLIATO- RI BREN BREN		MORTAI PIAT PIAT	
	Org. W.E.	Esist. HELD.	Org. W.E.	Esist. HELD.	Org. W.E.	Esist. HELD.	Org. W.E.	Esist. HELD.	Org. W.E.	Esist. HELD.	Org. W.E.	Esist. HELD.
BTG. " FELTRE " BN	41	=	162	=	472	472	7	=	48	48	15	15
" " TOLMEZZO " BN	41	=	162	=	472	472	7	=	48	48	15	15
" " L'AQUILA " BN	41	25	162	65	472	350	7	4	48	62	15	11
HQ 8 ALPINI REGT. CP. COMANDO RGT.	21	=	12	=	86	88	=	=	=	=	2	2
8 ^a COMPAGNIA MORTAI 8 MORTAR COY.	5	=	25	=	94	98	=	=	5	5	2	2
TOTAL - 8 ALPINI REGT. SHOWING SURPLUSES AND DEFICIENCIES	149	25 (-124)	523	65 (-458)	1596	1480 (-116)	21	4 (-17)	149	163 (+14)	49	45 (-4)

ARE TERRITORIALE DI UDINE (V) -

DELL'8° REGGIMENTO ALPINI RIFERITA ALLA DATA DEL

7 SETTEMBRE 1946

ARMS HELD BY 8 ALPINI REGT AS AT 7 SEPT. 46.

GILI PER		MITRAGLIATO-		MORTAI PIAT		MORTAI DA 2		MORTAI DA 3		MORTAI DA 81		MITRAGLIATRICI	
RATORI		RI BREN				POLLICI		POLLICI				BREDAS 37	
ELTI		BREN		PIAT		2' MORTAR		3" MORTAR		81mm MORTAR		M.M.G. "BREDAS"	
PER RIFLE													
Org.	Esist.	Org.	Esist.	Org.	Esist.	Org.	Esist.	Org.	Esist.	Org.	Esist.	Org.	Esist.
WE	HELD	WE	HELD	WE	HELD	WE	HELD	WE	HELD	WE	HELD	WE	HELD
=		48	48	15	15	9	=	6	=	=	=	8	=
=		48	48	15	15	9	=	6	=	=	=	8	=
4		48	62	15	11	9	15	6	4	=	=	8	=
=		=	=	2	2	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
=		5	5	2	2	=	=	=	=	8	=	=	=
1	4 / 149	163	49	45	27	15	18	4	8	=	24	=	
	(-17)	(+14)		(-4)		(-12)		(-14)		(-8)		(-24)	



DISTRIBUTION OF ARMS IN 8 ALL I REGT.

Weapons	W.E.	Quantity	Deficiencies	Surplus
Revolvers 0.38	149	25	124	
Automatic Rifles "T. M. C."	523	65	458	
Rifles 0.03	1596	1480	116	
Rifles for leading riflemen	21	4	17	
Light machine guns "Bren"	149	163	--	14
Mortars "P.I.A.T."	49	45	4	
Mortars 2 inch	27	15	12	
Mortars 3 inch	18	4	14	
Mortars 81	8	--	8	
Machine guns "Breda 37" (no more Vickers)	24	--	24	

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28 Aug 46.

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