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HARR V LA_E NR 35

QVR 3-5

FROM OC 30 BSD RASC 030930B

TO OC 549 COY COMP PLN RASC

INFO ADST MMIA ROME DDST REAR HQ EIGHTH ARMY

MMIA LO NAPLES MMIA LO EIGHTH ARMY

14 CRASC (SU)

BT

S/26/1/735 RESTD DESPATCHED TO YOU 2 PACK 27/5 4 (FOUR)

TRUCKS ACME SEALED TRUCK NO 572201

CONTENTS WINE 3440

TRUCK NO 508095 CONTENTS WINE 3442 CISTERNS

TRUCK NO 77193070 CONTENTS CIGS MILIT 4000000

TRUCK NO 77193336 CONTENTS CIGS MILIT 3120000

CIGS COMMUNE ON REPAYMENTS 800000

WELFARE CIGS FOR 228 ITALIAN DIV

BT 1150

REPTNS 3-5 30 030930 549 14 26/1/735 2 27/5 4

572201 3440 508095 3442

77193070 4000000

77193336 3120000

800000 228 1150

AC - BBB

0516

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SUBJECT:- Cigarette Issue.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/102
5 June 45

HQ 828 Div.

Ref your 2426/Co dated 30 May.

1. Your letter does not state for which month the M.of W. issue relates.

2. It is presumed that it concerns the month of June.

3. There is a general shortage of cigarettes at the moment.

4. My signal MM 583 of 31 May informed you that the 5 per day repayment cigarettes would be discontinued w.e.f. 1 June.

5. MMIA Rome letter Q 75 of 28 May, a copy of which has been sent to Capt Herbert states in para 5 that "cigarettes on hand, for issue on repayment during June will be used to make up the free issue allotment." 1339

6. Taking the above points into consideration it will probably be found that the ration drawn is the full entitlement for June.

G.M. for Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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R2242
12 Dec

72 HARR V HAR 1004IMMEDIATE OVR 1

FROM MMIA 261800B

TO REAR 8TH ARMY DISTONE DISTWO

BT

REF ST 864 CONFIDENTIAL FOR MMIA LOS .

MMIA ADMIN INSTRUCTION NO 22 DATED

20TH FEB PARA 6(C) . PLEASE INFORM THIS HQ IMMEDIATELY

OF REPAYMENT CIGARETTES REQUIRED BY ADMIN DIVISIONS

FOR JUNE MAINTENANCE ITALIAN TROOPS

IN YOUR AREA

BT

RPTN ~~72 1004 OP OVR 1 MMIA 261800~~

~~8 ST 864 MMIA LOS 22 20 6(C)~~ 7858

SENT WGD B

0518

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 28335

Call | Srl. No | Priority | Transmission Instructions

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FROM (A) Originator: HQ 19 BD REAR EIGHTH ARMY — Date - Time of Origin: 281030B — Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO: MAIN ROME

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No.

AG 573 JC RESTRICTED Reference ST 864 dated 26 Eighteen thousand by army one converted by AG 563 dated 21 May One Cigarettes requested 1200 Off 23000 Enl for month of June

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except WIRELESS

Signed: G Box Capt

Is liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority: IMPORTANT

4557

Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR 1650		
Time cleared		

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Call | Srl. No. | Prior | Transmission Instructions | Register No. 16428

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FROM (A) Originator — Date - Time of Origin — Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

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R—A 15. V. 45.

Message Instructions — GR

3513 GHQP

Originator's No.

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means (except WIRELESS)

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR 1540		
Time cleared		

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

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FROM (A) Originator: 51 B.L.U. Date-Time of Origin: 150945 B

— Office Date Stamp —

ARMY BLU-15.V.45. SIGNALS

For Action: MMIA.

16 MAY 1945

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

102

Message Instructions. OR

Originator's No. B 265 O Repayment cigarettes have not been received by CREMONA since week ending 6th 45 O Request that issue of these be expedited O

5 JJJ

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Army Form C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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FROM (A) Originator: REAR EIGHTH ARMY | Date-Time of Origin: 26/1635 B | — Office Date Stamp —

For Action

DISTONE

TO

(W) For Information (INFO) 27 JUN 1945

237 area

— Message Instructions — | —GR—

Originator's No. 6055

UNCLASSIFIED (.) your Q 11. of 25 (.) para second agreed

Refers to feeding of personnel
253 & 253 the SPD movements
horses ... of AUSTRIA.

This Message may be sent as written by any means (except ( ) wireless (.....)	Is liable to be intercepted or to fall in to enemy hands, this message must be sent in CIPHER	Originator's Instruct Degree of priority	Time THI or TOR	System	Op.
Signed	Signed L L Lukeman Brig Gen		Time cleared		

Distribution

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HARS V NBZX 9028 QVR1

FROM DISTONE 251625

TO REAR 8 ARMY

INFO 217 AREA

COPY ST

GR 33 BT

Q11 RESTD . REF YOUR Q6003 OF 22 . FIRST .
CONFIRMED ITALIAN RATIONS REQUIRED . SECOND .
REQUEST PRESENT SYSTEM CONTINUE WHEREBY 50%
ISSUES MADE FROM UDINE 50% FROM [illegible]
MY [illegible] ST/422 OF 23 PARA 2 REFERS

BT

FPTN 9928 1 251625 8 217 33 011 Q6003 22

50% 50% ST/422 23 PARA 2

SENT JLK

26 JUN 1945

Thre 119/25

Regts

13 1757

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ST

MRMA 40

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Army Form C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

Cat.	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

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FROM (A) Originator: rear EIGHTARMY | Date-Time of Origin: 20 6 20 B | Office Date Stamp: 21 JUN 1945

For Action

TO 86 area

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR—

Originator's No. Q 5-9869

RESTRICTED (.) your AQ 303 of 18 (.) ONE (.) authority given issue rations 40 civilians emp MONACO italian offrs hotel in accordance scale appx A to ARO 88/45 period ~~1945~~ 14 may to 30 jun proforma follows (.) TWO (.) authority issue 10 BTFS rations NOT granted (.) visiting offrs brit or italian should take own rations

Pigott 21/6

40 Civilians.
10 BTFS
80 Italian Civils Rations Scale

1931

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SIGNED [signature]	SIGNED [signature]		Time cleared		

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

SUBJECT:- Supa - Italian personnel

HQ 201 Sub Area.

Copy to:
Army Supply Point No.5.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm AC
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ Eighth Army

ME/102
24 June 45

Ref your Q 106/6 dated 21 June 45.

I confirm that it is in order to issue Italian Army Scale rations to Vice Comando 228 Div UDINE.

Strength will vary, but should not normally exceed 25.

Vice Comando 228 Div will remain in UDINE to adm ITALIAN tps for as long as they remain in this area.

Bgcat

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

6511

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Subject:- ITALIAN RATION -
DET 28 DIV IPA HQ

28 JUN 1945

Q 106/6

21 Jun 45

Army Supply Pt No 5

The above named unit is authorised to draw supplies from your depot till approximately 30 Jun 45.

STR 21

Antony Brett

Major,
DAA & QMG,
201 Sub Area.

In the field
ICH/avs

Copy to:- MMA - please confirm that this is in order and that on expiry of the authority it may be regranted by this Headquarters.

754

SUBJECT:- Allocation of Hospital Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Supplies for Italian Armed Forces - JULY 1945.

22 JUN 1945

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/9/2

20 June 45.

Ministry of War
(Direz.Gen. Comm/to Mil.)
(Direz.Gen. di Sanita Mil.)

Copy to:- DST, AFHQ.
DDST Fifth Army.
DDST Eighth Army.
DDST 1 District.
DDST 3 District.
DDST RAAC.
HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
HQ Air Force Sub Commission AC.
ADMS MMIA. (2)
HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units).
MMIA DD's:

NAPLES	ROME	SARDINIA
SICILY	BARI	FLORENCE
1 DISTRICT	REAR 8 ARMY	REAR 5 ARMY
REAR 5 ARMY	(Br. Incr.,	
N.W. ITALY	(5)	

Bgcit.

7548

1. Authority has been given by AFHQ (letter No. AFHQ/64/10/ST6(a) of 18 June 45) for the release of supplies against demands submitted on MMIA Form ST/8 for the maintenance of Italian Armed Forces during the month of July 1945:-

(a) Hospital Diet Items (all in lbs)

Release by	Milk	Rice	Ground Rice or Equivalent	Margarine	Meat Extract
22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI (for Italian Navy)	1,144	2,160	554	1,920	96
14 CRASC(Sup Units)NAPLES	3,576	-	1,731	6,000	-
-Ditto- (for shipment to SARDINIA).	572	1,080	277	960	48
DDs No. 1 District	4,006	7,560	1,938	6,720	336
DDs No. 2 District	2,146	4,050	1,038	3,600	180

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DDST Fifth Army.
DDST Eighth Army.
DDST 1 District.
DDST 3 District.
DDST RAAC.
HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
HQ Air Force Sub Commission AC.
ADMS MMIA. (2)
HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units).
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REAR 5 ARMY	(Br. Incr.)	
N.W. ITALY	(2)	

13 Cct.

1347

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92 D.I.D. ROME	-	3,100	1,000	-	-
114 D.I.D. SICILY	600	1,350	300	1,200	50
5 Army Depots	715	1,350	350	1,200	60
8 Army Depots	715	1,350	350	1,200	60
	13,474	25,000	7,538	22,800	830

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(b) Miscellaneous and Disinfectant: Items. ..

Release by	Anti-Mos. Cream lbs	Fly Catch-ers No.	Prep. Rat Bait lbs	A.L. 63 lbs	Anti-Mos. Spray Galls	Cres-oli Galls	Meth. Sprt. Galls	Mal-ariol Galls	Paris Green lbs
22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI	-	-	15	800	-	-	-	-	-
14 CRASC(Sup Units) NAPLES	-	-	-	-	-	-U	90	-	-
92 D.I.D. ROME	15,000	28,800	20	1,200	1,200	-	300	1,800	840
114 D.I.D. SICILY	1,200	2,000	11	-	200	250	-	-	-
	16,200	30,800	46	2,000	1,400	250	390	1,800	840

2. Releases at para 1(a) are based on normal entitlement for a 30 day maintenance only. A 30 day reserve holding has not been authorised.

3. No releases are included in para 1(b) in respect of Fifth and Eighth Armies and 1 and 2 Districts, in view of MMLA Administrative Instruction No. 23 dated 3 March 45 (as amended by Amendment No. 1 dated 1 May 45) and AFHQ/64/ST6(a) dated 7 Mar 45 and AFHQ/2254/1/Q(Maint) dated 27 Mar 45.

4. Collecting units or supply formations should be instructed to contact respective MMLA LO's in the event of any difficulty encountered in collection of the above supplies.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMLA).

JS/gmc

INTERNAL:- ST/17/3

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

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n.2542/Co di prot. F.M.16, lì 15 giugno 1945

O G G E T T O : Razioni supplementari a pagamento.-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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- Riferimento foglio MM/102 del 7 giugno 1945 -

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Solo giorni fa è giunta la comunicazione ufficiale che precisava che le stesse dovevano invece ultimare il 1° giugno.-

Chiedo pertanto a codesta M.M.I.A., qualora possibile, l'autorizzazione per il prelevamento delle razioni arretrate ammontanti a:

- farina.....Kg. 33.516
- carne conservata.....Kg. 11.172.-

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

A Tomaselli

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Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

Tomaselli

how whats the answer ?
No hope.
Regret.

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[illegible] for Action 20

21 JUN 1945

TO [illegible]

(W) For Information (INFO) — Message Instructions — GR

[illegible] 15 army gp CG 4 corps

[illegible] CG in the PHILIPPINES

Originator's No.

@ 5975 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) subject in caps for CLARION gp (.)

request you take action on br line PHILIPPINES @ 60; of 20

Rec'd

Bgcat

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Subject. Soap issues.

British Cadre.
303 Italian Pioneer Coy.

Liaison Officer.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A
c/o Rear H.Q. Eighth Army.

MM/102.
18 June 1945.

1. Reference my visit to the coy under your command on Friday 15 June and your complaint that the soap issued by 563 Comp. Pl. 132 F.M.C. was not up to the authorised scale of 400 grams per month per man.

2. Upon enquiry at 563 Pl. it appears that there is no shortage of soap at the present time and that full issues are being made regularly.

3. Will you therefore please liase with the Pl. Comdrs. to find out where the trouble lies.

4. In addition to the authorised 400 grams per week per man, Eighth Army Adm. Inst. No 38. para 12(b) authorises a further supplementary issue to be made for 'dirty workers' when conditions necessitate it and stocks permit.

5. The other points raised by you during my visit are being taken up and will it is hoped be dealt with satisfactorily in due course.

Captain.
MMIA LO Rear Eighth Army.

Copy to: 563 Comp. Pl. 132 F.M.C.

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Army Form C.2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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			30 MAY 1945	

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FROM (A) Originator: rear EIGHTARMY — Date-Time of Origin: 29 [illegible] — Office Date Stamp

For Action

DEPOSE

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

51 BDE

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No. Q 3150

RESTRICTED (.) ONE (.) CHEROKEE SP report following deficiencies noap issued ex 36 DIV (.) 1 to 30 apr 100000 gms 1 to 31 may 300000 gms (.) TWO (.) requests you make necessary ~~ships~~ available through avl channels

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MMRA W and Sigmaster 36ID Fleet

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM HQ 86 (Army) AREA 08 1315 B

TO All Italian Units (ST through DiD)

AQ/155 (.) CONFIDENTIAL §.)

subject is ration scale Italian Armed Forces (.)
issue of daily incr flour 3 ozs and P meat 1 oz
authorised in my Q 11 of 3 apr 45 ceases fortwith

As written by any means

Sgd.....

File Q 11
Float

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SUBJECT: Provision of Italian Provided Items for 5 Army (Br Incr), 8 Army, 1 and 2 Districts - JULY Maintenance

SECRET

Land Forces Sub Com. AC.
(M.M.I.A.)
ST/102/[illegible]

16 June 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Forwarded herewith is the Monthly Demand in respect of above-mentioned.

2. All supplies will be handed over to 14 CRASC (Supply Units) NAPLES and 22 CRASC (Supply Units) BARI when called forward, on or about 20 June 45.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Com. AC (MMIA).

JS/tvs

Copy to: MMIA LO NAPLES (2)
MMIA TO BARI

DST, AFHQ
DDST 8 Army (Your signal ST/590 of 11 June refers)
DDST 5 Army (Br Inc) (Telephone CORNFIELD-SMITH 16 June refers)
DDST 1 District (Your ST/4459 of 12 June refers)
DDST 2 District (Your ST/4009/7 of 7 June refers)
14 CRASC (Sup Units) 22 CRASC (Sup Units)
15 CRASC (" ")
MMIA LO N.W. ITALY (5)
" " FLORENCE (2)
" " 8 Army
" " 5 Army (Br Incr)
" " 1 District (2)

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Internal: 'Q' MMIA

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SECRET.

ITALIAN PROVIDED ITEMS : JULY MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY (Br Incr), 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRI

2 DISTRICT. CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS) & 22 CRASC (SUPPLY UI

FORMATION	STRENGTH	OLIVE OIL @ 1 oz. lbs	NUTS W/O SHELLS @ 1½ oz. lbs	SALT @ 24 gr. lbs	WINE @ ½ litre litres	SOAP (INCLUDING MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS lbs	ISSUE CIGARETTES (10 per man: fwd; 5 per man: rear singles	MATC 40 p boxes
8 ARMY	20000	38750	58125	32805	310000	17858	6200000	35
5 ARMY (Br)								
Det 42 BSD-BOLOGNA	35000	67813	101720	57408	542500	25022	10850000	62
42 BSD - GENOA	20000	38750	58125	32805	310000	14771	6200000	35
1 DISTRICT	65000	126000	189000	107000	1007500	36600	13175000	115
2 DISTRICT								
15 BSD for 60 Sub-Area	3500	6570	9814	5500	52500	1960	525000	6
42 BSD - Genoa	28000	52500	78750	45200	420000	15625	6300000	48
Total to be available: NAPLES		291633	437439	247713	2332000	93978	37050000	266
Total to be available: BARI		38750	58125	32805	310000	17858	6200000	35
TOTALS	201500	330383	495564	280518	2642500	111836	43250000	302

NOTE. (1) SOAP. Includes requirements for mules at 200 gr. per month, in addition to normal issue to troops.
(2) WINE. To be despatched in tankers and barrels in accordance with arrangements to be made between 14 CRASC (Supply Units) and MILA LO NAPLES.

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ES : JULY MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY (Br Incr), 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT &
2 DISTRICT. CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS) & 22 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS).

OLIVE OIL @ 1 oz. lbs	NUTS W/O SHELLS @ 1½ oz. lbs	SALT @ 24 gr. lbs	WINE @ ½ litre litres	SOAP (INCLUDING MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS lbs	ISSUE CIGARETTES (10 per man: fwl; 5 per man: rear singles	MATCHES @ 40 per week boxes of 100	ALL ITEMS TO BE AVAILABLE AT ITALIAN ARMY FOOD DEPOT AT:
38750	58125	32805	310000	17858	6200000	35500	BARI for 22 CRASC
67813	101720	57408	542500	25022	10850000	62000	NAPLES for 14 CRASC
38750	58125	32805	310000	14771	6200000	35500	" " " "
126000	189000	107000	1007500	36600	13175000	115143	NAPLES for 14 CRASC
6570	9814	5500	52500	1960	525000	6000	NAPLES for 14 CRASC
52500	78750	45200	420000	15625	6300000	48000	" " " "
291633	437439	247713	2332000	93978	37050000	266643	
38750	58125	32805	310000	17858	6200000	35500	
330383	495564	280518	2642500	111836	43250000	302143	

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Units) and MIL. LO NAPLES.

MMIA 60 REAR 8-ARMY

Subject: Rations - CC.RR.

DGH MAJ CREW-HUNT

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
G/1/7B-1

11 June 1945

To: See Distribution.

1. Continued checks by this headquarters reveal that, in a large number of cases, the number of rations actually drawn by CC.RR units exceeds the personnel authorized for the unit. In one sector during a given period of time, the authorized number of CC.RR was 4326; and when all of the ST/8's were received covering issues, it was found that an average of 5787 rations had been issued.

2. It is not material to the issue whether or not the total number of rations drawn by CC.RR throughout all Italy has been exceeded. It is obvious that if overissues are permitted in one instance, that the time may come when all units will overdraw which will result in a large over-issue. CC.RR units are authorized to draw rations only for the actual number of effective personnel present with the unit, and proper adjustment must be made for rations drawn and not issued on account of men absent during the period. At the next ration issue period, it is possible to adjust for either overissues or underissues, and, in a few cases which occur, to adjust for authorized personnel attached to a unit. If the instructions are strictly adhered to, there can be no injury to any unit.

3. The Order of Battle of the Carabinieri has been published under file SD/41/2 of 24 May 1945. This Order of Battle plainly shows the authorized strength of each unit and sub-unit.

4. The Ministry of War will issue instructions to all Italian depots, effective 1 July 1945, that no issues will be made to Carabinieri Units in excess of the authorized strength, properly adjusted on the ST/8 to reflect the actual number of rations due for a particular period.

5. All MMIA LO's will insure that depots in their areas are familiar with this instruction.

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CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
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MMIA HQ. RLDR & Army
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MAJ CARGW
HUNT

OFFICE INSTRUCTION NO. 93

102

Subject: UNRRA Supplies.

1. UNRRA Supplies are provided under international arrangements and from the MMIA aspect are in no way military.

2. ALL questions raised by UNRRA Officers concerning any question of supplies, MT, etc. will be referred to Col KERR or Col NOARES in the absence of Col KERR.

F. J. NOARES, Col.
D.O.M.G.
M.M.I.A.

FJN/le

15 June 1945

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SUBJECT:- Extra rations on payment

HQ 228 Div.

Copy to: OC British Cadre,
201 Italian Par Coy,
c/o 3 A.A.D.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/102
7 June 45

1. It is reported by the OC British Cadre, 201 Italian Pioneer Coy that the supplementary rations on repayment of flour and Preserved Meat have not been issued to his Coy for the period 13 - 31 May 45.

2. Transport has been sent to collect these rations and had to return empty on the grounds that the supplementary issue was no longer being made.

3. The issue ceased with effect from 1 June 45 and not during May.

4. It is requested that you take immediate steps to issue these rations to 201 Pioneer Coy c/o 3 A.A.D. UDINE.

5. The amounts due are :-

Flour	8445 ozs
Preserved Meat	2815 ozs.

6. Please give an explanation to this office as to why the rations were not handed over when the transport was sent to collect them.

for Capt
for Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

TOBACCO

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.2426/Co di prot.

P.M.16, li 30 maggio 1945

O G G E T T O : Tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di maggio.-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

102

Con dispaccio n. 8850/S/1 in data 26/4/1945 il Ministero della Guerra assegnava alle truppe Italiane con l'8ª Armata Kg. 7115,500 di sigarette Milit e Kg. 790,500 di sigarette comuni, incaricando questo Comando del ritiro e quindi della loro distribuzione ai reparti direttamente dipendenti nonchè ai Gruppi di Combattimento " CREMONA ", " FRIULI " e " FOLGORE".-

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

A Tomaselli

	Milits	Comune
M of W release	7115.500	790.500
Drawn from 6 BSD	3856	
Still required	3259.500	790.500

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SUBJECT:- Soap Rati

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MII/102
5 June 45

HQ 228 Div.

Ref your 2422/Co dated 30 May 45.

1. I have asked Capt Bourne, MMIA LO 1 District to look into the question of soap ration for HQ 522 Gd Bn.

2. It would be of great assistance in investigating these cases if more details could be given. For example

(a) When did the soap ration cease to be issued?

(b) Has soap ever been drawn by this HQ from this D.I.D.?

(c) Has the D.I.D. refused to issue soap and if so what reason was given?

(d) What effort has been made by HQ 522 Gd Bn to find out when soap may be expected?

3. Would you please impress these points on units reporting future deficiencies.

for Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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SUBJECT:- Soap Ration

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MMIA LO,
att HQ No.1 District.

MM/102
5 June 45

1. HQ 228 Div report that HQ 522 Cd Bn have not received their soap ration for some time.

2. Rations are drawn from 103 D.I.D. at RIMINI which is u/c 1 District.

3. I regret no further details are available as to length of time involved, reasons for non issue, what efforts have been made by the Italian unit, etc etc.

4. I have instructed HQ 228 Div to give greater detail for future cases, and meanwhile would be grateful if you could look into the matter and try and right it.

Captain,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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1 JUN

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.2422/Co di prot. P.M.16, lì 30 maggio 1945

O G G E T T O : Mancata distribuzione di sapone.-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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Il Comando 522° Battaglione Guardia ha fatto presente a questo Comando che le Compagnie dipendenti da qualche tempo non ricevono la razione settimanale di sapone da parte del 103 D. I. D. di Rimini al quale fanno capo per i prelevamenti di viveri.-

Prego la cortesia di codesta M.M.I.A. affinchè si compiaccia dare le necessarie disposizioni perchè, se possibile, vengano riprese le distribuzioni settimanali di sapone ai suddetti reparti nella misura stabilita dall'Istruzione Dipartimentale ST serie n. 121 del 6 aprile 1945.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

Tomaselli. 1532

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-3 JUN 1945

3.CG/5 DIS/R ST INFO

TO:- 5 ARMY FOR BR INCR REAR EIGHT ARMY DIVISIONS
INFO:- 15 ARMY GP DISTRO

FROM:-FREEDOM SIGNAL SACRED CITY FREEQ FAB0450 0315378

SECRET. RATION SCALE ITALIAN COMBATANT TROOPS. ISSUE OF A DAILY INOR 3 OUNCES FLOUR AND 1 OUNCE PASTA AUTHORISED TO 1 APRIL BY OUR FX 33081 OF 3 MAR AND CONTINUED SUBSEQUENT TO 1 APRIL UNDER DEPARTMENTAL ARRANGEMENT WILL CEASE FORTHWITH

Herbert informed FACC 4/6

IMPORTANT

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(W) For Information (INFO)

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TO:- 5I B L U
INFO:- ST REAR 8 ARMY

1 JUN 1945

FROM:- DISTONE

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RESTRICTED. REF REAR 8 ARMY Q5650 OF 29 MAY. SOAP NOW AVAILABLE TO MAKE GOOD UNDERDRAWALS AT 36 DID

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IMPORTANT

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~~LRAR V LROF NR 8164 IMPORTANT~~

~~T/HAR QVR3/13 (BY ELS)~~

HAR-LRAR 7487. P QVR3

FROM MMIA 281130B

TO FIVE ARMY, FIVE ARMY BR INCR, EIGHTH ARMY, PBS C/O LIA -ISON SECTION, PENSOUTH, 1 DISTRICT, 2 DISTRICT, 3 DISTRICT 54 AREA , LO SARDINIA, [redacted] COMNOB PALERMO

INFO 52 BLU, 56 BLU

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RD 1605B DR B K

30 MAY 1945

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MMIA LO

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SUBJECT: Allocation of Hospital, Miscellaneous and Disinfectants Supplies for Italian Armed Forces- JUNE 1945.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
ST/9/2

21 May 45.

24 MAY 1945
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Ministry of War
(Direz.Gen. Comm/to Mil.)
(Direz.Gen di Sanita Mil.)

Copy to: DST AFHQ
DDST Fifth Army
DDST Eighth Army
DDST No. 1 District
DDST No. 3 District
ADST RAAC
HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
HQ Air Force Sub Comm. AC.
ADMS MMIA (2)
HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units)
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units)
MMIA LO's:
NAPLES ROME SARDINIA
BARI SICILY 1 DISTRICT
REAR 8 ARMY REAR 5 ARMY
REAR 5 ARMY (BR INCR)

ST/17/3

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(a) Hospital Diet Items (all in lbs)

Release by	Beds Occupied	Milk	Rice	Ground Rice or Equivalent	Margarine	Meat Extract
22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI (For BARI Territ. HQ)	1500	2145	4050	1058	3600	180
22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI (For Italian Navy)	800	1144	2160	553	1920	96
14 CRASC(Sup Units) NAPLES (For NAPLES Terr.HQ includ-ing CALABRIA and Detach-ment of Navy - 200	2000	2860	5400	1384	4800	240
14 CRASC(Sup Units)NAPLES (For SARDINIA and Det. Navy-100)	500	715	1550	346	1200	60
D.I.D's No 1 DISTRICT	3800	5440	10260	2630	9120	456

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DDST Eighth Army
DDST No. 1 District
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ADST RAAC
HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
HQ Air Force Sub Comm. AC.
ADMS MMIA (2)

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D.I.D's No 2 DISTRICT	500	715	1350	346	1200	60
92 D.I.D. ROME	1600	2288	4320	1107	3840	192
114 D.I.D. SICILY	500	715	1350	346	1200	60
5 ARMY DEPOTS	500	715	1350	346	1200	60
8 ARMY DEPOTS	500	715	1350	346	1200	60
	12200	17452	32940	8442	29280	1464

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(b) Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Supplies

Release by	Anti-Mos Cream lbs	Fly Catch-ers. Nos	Prep Rat Bait lbs	AL 63 lbs	Anti Mos Spray gals	Cres-oli gals	Meth Spirits gals	Mala-riol gals	Paris Green lbs
22 CRASC (Supply Units) BARI	-	-	15	1100	-	-	-	-	-
22 CRASC (Supply Units) BARI (For Italian Navy)	-	-	-	-	-	-	280	-	-
14 CRASC (Supply Units) NAPLES	-	-	-	-	800	-	-	1000	-
92 D.I.D. ROME	38000	28000	-	1200	1200	-	300	1800	840
114 D.I.D. SICILY	9375	12000	12	-	500	200	125	-	400
	47375	40000	27	2300	2500	200	625	2800	1240

2. No releases are included in para 1 (b) above in respect of Fifth and Eighth Armies and 1 District, in view of MMLA Administrative Instruction No. 23 dated 3 March 45 and AFHQ/64/ST6(a) dated 7 March 1945.

3. You are asked to instruct your collecting units or supply formations to contact respective MMLA LO's in the event of any difficulty encountered with respect to collection of the above.

Lt.Col. R.A.S.C.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm CCAO (MMLA).

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ITALIAN PROVIDED ITEMS : JUNE MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY (Br Incr), 8 A

CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS)

FORMATION	STRENGTH	OLIVE OIL @ 1 oz. lbs	NUTS W/O SHELLS @ 1 oz. lbs	SALT @ 24 gr lbs	WINE @ ½ litre litres	SOAP (INCLUDING MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS) lbs	ISSUE (10 pe 5 pe sir
8 Army (Gross Tonnage)	15000	28125 (16)	28125 (13)	23841 (11)	225000	10125 (5)	450000 (5)
5 Army (Br) for 42 BSD (Gross Tonnage)	27500	51563 (30)	51563 (23½)	43710 (20)	412500	19205 (9½)	825000 (9)
1 District:							
13 CRASC (Gross Tonnage)	58000	108750 (62)	108750 (49½)	92185 (42)	870000	33940 + (16½)	132000 (15)
10 CRASC (Gross Tonnage)	42000	78750 (45)	78750 (36)	66755 (31)	630000	24490 + (12)	78000 (8½)
2 District							
13 BSD for 60 Sub Area) (Gross Tonnage)	4200	7875 (4½)	7875 (3½)	6676 (3)	63000	2400 (1)	6300 (1)
GENOA (Gross Tonnage)	20000	37500 (21)	37500 (17)	31788 (15)	300000	12000 (6)	300000 (3½)
TOTAL Net Wt.	166700	312563	312563	264955	2500500	102160	373800
TOTAL Gross Tonnage		178½	142½ +	122		50	42

+ NOTES: (1) NUTS Tonnage calculated on basis of issue of nuts without shells. To be amend are issued.

(2) WINE Tonnage of wine not included in total tonnage above. To be despatched in with arrangements made between 14 CRASC and MMIA LO NAPLES.

(3) SOAP Includes requirements for mules at 200 gr per month.

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PROVIDED ITEMS : JUNE MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY (Br Incr), 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT & 2 DISTRICT

CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS)

	STRENGTH	OLIVE OIL @ 1 oz. lbs	NUTS W/O SHELLS @ 1 oz. lbs	SALT @ 24 gr lbs	WINE @ ½ litre litres	SOAP (INCLUDING MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS) lbs	ISSUE CIGARETTES (10 per man: fwd 5 per man:rear) singles	MATCHES @ 40 per week boxes of 100	TOLL Gross Tons
	15000	28125 (16)	28125 (13)	23841 (11)	225000	10125 (5)	4500000 (5)	25720 (½)	50½
2 BSD	27500	51563 (30)	51563 (23½)	43710 (20)	412500	19205 (9½)	8250000 (9)	47150 (1)	93
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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- T. F. A. HQ. -
Ufficio Carriaggiato

n.2243/Cs di prot. P.M.16, li 13 marzo 1945

OGGETTO = Tabacchi a permanente per il mese di aprile.

19 MAY 1945

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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Con lettera 1148/Cs del 14/3/1945 questo Comando chiedeva al Ministero delle Guerre q.li 55,= di sigarette da distribuire a permanente alle truppe di reclamti.

Poichè all'atto del ritiro avvenuto il 3/5/1945, al C.P.S.I. di Forlì, furono restituiti q.li 35,28, presso la centrale di codesto M.M.I.A. volerai compiacere dare le necessarie disposizioni per il prelevamento della differenza di q.li 19,72.=

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tamaccelli)

Approved

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SUBJECT: Provision of Italian Provided Items for 5th Army (Br Incr), 8 Army 1 & 2 Districts - JUNE MAINTENANCE

19 MAY 1945

102

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA)
ST/102/18.

17 May 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Forwarded herewith is the monthly demand in respect of above-mentioned.

2. All supplies except wine will be handed over to 14 CRASC Supply Units, NAPLES, by 20 May 45. Wine will be released as indicated on attached demand.

3. MMLA LO NAPLES has been informed verbally to notify NAPLES Commissariat in advance.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA).

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Copy to: DST, AFHQ
DDST 5 Army (Br Incr)
DDST 8 Army
DDST 1 District
DDST 2 District
14 CRASC
MMLA LO's
NAPLES (For action)
8 Army
5 Army (Br Incr)
1 District.
13 CRASC
20 CRASC

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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.2216/Co di prot. P.M.16, li 11 maggio 1945

OGGETTO: Richiesta tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di giugno.-

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- Direz.Gen.dei Serv.di Comm/to ed Amm/vo - = R O M A =

e, per conoscenza;

19 MAY 1945

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DI = N A P O L I =

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Con riferimento al dispaccio di codesto Ministero, n. 8531/S/1 del 20/4/c.a., prego voler assegnare i tabacchi a pagamento di spettanza per il mese di giugno c.a., in base alla forza sottoelencata:

- Ufficiali.....n. 2.000
- Sottufficiali e truppa.....n. 51.000

Nella forza suddetta sono comprese le truppe di questa Divisione e quelle dei Gruppi di Combattimento " CREMONA ", " FRIULI", " FOLGORE"..-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tamaselli)

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Subject:- Rations Issue Note.

Rear HQ Eighth Army
Ref ROS 2/44
Tel No: 229
25 April 45

M.M.I.A. Rear 8 Army

The attached letter recd from HQ 228 Div together with Rations Issue Note in respect of the u/m and forwarded for your action.

429° Ospedall attendato Auseliario
232° Ospedall da Campo

Brigadier,
D.D.O.S.

S E C R E T

SUBJECT:- Repayment Cigarettes for Italian troops under British Command - May 1945.

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Land Forces Sub Comm, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102/20

20 April 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- DST AFHQ
DDST 8 ARMY
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MMIA LO's: NAPLES
8 ARMY
5 ARMY (Br Incr)
1 District
2 District

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2. Following is break-down of requirements :

ALLIED FORMATION	ITALIAN ADM. DIV.		MILIT CIGARETTES	CIGARETTES COMMUNE ON REPAYMENT
8 Army	228 Division	+	7115500	790500
5 Army (Br Incr)	231 Division	++	4464250	498250
1 District	209 Division	+++	5859000	651000
2 District	(209 Division)	++++	753300	83700
		TOTAL	18212050	2023450

\+ Including Friuli, Cremona, Folgore Combat Groups and Italian service troops in area administered by 228 Division.
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5. It is again pointed out that cases should be packed and marked properly in accordance with our previous instructions on this subject.

6. This allotment is for May Maintenance.

K. Robertshaw
Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

KRN/jc

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SUBJECT:- Soap - Italian Forces

S2,
Rear Eighth Army.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comn, AC,
(U.M.I.A.),
C/o Rear H.Q., Eighth Army.

MM/102.
24 Mar 45.

Ref conference held on 20 Mar at HQ 226 Div to discuss issue of soap to Italian Forces.

153, 154 and 155 Italian Fmr Coys report that on 23 Mar they had received no issue of soap from 226 (Polish) DID and that 26 DID had no knowledge of the soap situation.

Sgd

Major,
MMIA IO, Rear Eighth Army.

Copy to : MMIA IO, 466 Rear 26 BID.

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Subject :- Soap - Its ' am Pnr. Labour Coys.

Q/10/21
24 Mar 45

M.M.I.A.,
Rear H.Q., Eighth Army.

102.

Reference recent instruction to D.I.D's regarding issue of Soap to BRIT-ITI Units.

1. L.O's 153, 154 and 155 I.P.L. Coys report that no issue of soap has been made to them from 326 (Polish) D.I.D., and that O.C., 326 D.I.D. has no knowledge when soap will be issued or any information regarding the soap situation.

2. May the position be clarified please, as soap is urgently required by all three companies.

Field.

W. Cool Lawrie
Lieut.-Colonel,
Commanding, 108 Group, Pioneer Corps.

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SUBJECT:- Provision of Italian Items of the Ration Scale for 5 Army (Br.Incr), 8 Army, 1 District, 2 District.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102/18

18 March 45.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.

Further to this HQ's letter (same reference) dated 17 March 45 enclosing demand for April maintenance:

1. The strength of 30000 under heading of "1 District" does not include the MANTOVA Gruppo di Combattimenti, due to arrive in 1 District on or about 15 April 45.

2. Actual amounts of each commodity for 1 District do, however, include requirements for this Gruppo.

K. H. [illegible]

Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

HDC/jc

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14 CRASC
LO's Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).
NAPLES (For action)
8 Army
5 Army (Br.Incr.)
1 District
13 CRASC
20 CRASC
Ministry of War (For action).

SUBJECT:- Allocation of Hospital, Miscellaneous and Disinfectants Supplies for Italian Armed Forces - May 1945.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/9/2

2 April 45.

Ministry of War
(Direz.Gen. Comm/to Mil.)
(Direz.Gen di Sanita Mil.)

Copy to:- ADMS MMIA (2)
DST AFHQ
DDST Fifth Army
DDST Eight Army
DDST No. 1 District
DDST No. 3 District
MMIA LO's
NAPLES
BARI
REAR 8 ARMY
ROME
SICILY
REAR 5 ARMY
ADST RAAC
HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units)
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units)
HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
HQ Air Force Sub Comm. AC.
ST/17/3
SARDINIA
1 DISTRICT
REAR 5 ARMY (Br.Incr.)

1. Authority has been given by AFHQ (letter AFHQ/64/10/ST/6(a) of 17 April 45) for the release of supplies against demands submitted on MMIA Form ST/8 for the maintenance of Italian Armed Forces during May 1945:

(a) Hospital Diet Items (all in lbs.)

2511

Release by	Beds Occupied	Milk	Rice	Ground Rice or Equivalent	Margarine	Meat Extract
22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI (For BARI Territ. HQ)	2000	2861	5400	1385	4800	240
22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI (For Italian Navy)	800	1144	2160	555	1920	96
14 CRASC(Sup Units)NAPLES (For NAPLES Terr.HQ including CALABRIA and Detachment of Navy - 200)	2700	3863	7290	1869	6480	324
14 CRASC(Sup Units)NAPLES (For SARDINIA and Det. Navy - 100)	500	715	1350	346	1200	60
92 D.I.D., ROME	1600	2288	4320	1108	3840	192

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92 D.I.D., ROME	1600	2288	4320	1108	3840	192
D.I.D's 1 District	800	1144	2160	554	1920	96
114 D.I.D. SICILY	600	865	1620	415	1440	72
5 Army Depots	3000	4290	8100	2076	7200	360
8 Army Depots	1000	1430	2700	692	2400	120
	13000	18600	35100	9000	31200	15

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(Letter Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA), ST/9/2 of 20 April 45)

b. Miscellaneous & Disinfectant Items.

Release by	Anti Mos. Cream lbs	Fly Catchers No.	Prep. Rat Bait lbs	A.L. 63 lbs	Blocks Fuming No.	Anti Mos. Spray Gals.	Cresoli Gals.	Meth Sprt Gals	Malariol Gals	Paris Green lbs
22 CRASC (Sup Units) BARI	-	-	15	400	-	-	300	-	-	-
14 CRASC (Sup Units) NAPLES	16000	-	-	200	-	800	-	-	1200	-
92 DID ROME	16000	10000	-	800	-	800	-	100	1200	560
114 DID SICILY	9000	12000	12	500	100	500	-	100	250	-
	41000	22000	27	1900	100	2100	300	200	2650	560

2. No releases are included in para 1 (b) above in respect of Fifth and Eight Armies and 1 District, in view of MMIA Administrative Instruction No. 23 dated 3 March 45 and AFHQ/64/ST6(a) dated 7 March 1945.

3. You are asked to instruct your collecting units or supply formations to contact respective MMIA LO's in the event of any difficulty encountered with respect to collection of the above.

K. Robertson Maj'r

Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

KRN/gmc

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SUBJECT:- Issue of Soap for Italian Evac Hosp.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/102
20 Apr 45

Ord,
Rear Eighth Army.

Reference the attached demand for 60 kgs of soap for 292 Italian Evac Hospital.

It is certified that soap for medical purposes is not available from Italian sources. Would you please authorise issue from Allied sources.under the provisions of Eighth Army Adm Instr No.38, para 13.

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

1509

SUBJECT:- Provision of Italian Items of the Ration Scale for 5 Army (Br.Incr.), 8 Army, 1 District and 2 District.

Land Forces Sub Comm, AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102/18

Ministry of War.

14 April 45.

1. Forwarded herewith is the demand for supplies for May consumption.

2. All supplies except wine will be handed over to 14 CRASC Supply Units, NAPLES, by 21 April. For wine see notes on demand.

K.F.Cooke.

KFC

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

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NAPLES (For action)
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For Action: MMA Rome

TO (W) For Information (INFO): 102

Message Instructions — CR

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ITALIAN PROVIDED ITEMS: MAY MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY(Br Incr), 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT & 2 DIS

CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS)

FORMATION	STRENGTH	OLIVE OIL @ 28 gr lbs	NUTS W/O SHELLS @ 28 gr. lbs	SALT @ 24 gr. lbs	WINE @ ½ litre litres	SOAP FOR MEN @ 300 gr(fwd) @ 250 gr (rear) lbs	SOAP FOR MEDICAL USE lbs	TOTAL SOAP lbs	ISSUE CIGARETTES (10 PER MAN: fwd; 5 PER MAN: rear) singles	MA
8 Army (Gross Tonnage)	40000	77500 (44)	77500 (35)	66429 (30)	620000	26490	1500	27990 (13)	12400000 (15)	
5 Army (Br.) (Gross Tonnage)	42500	82344 (47)	82344 (37)	70580 (32)	658750 -	28146 750 +	1285	30181 (15)	(to be drawn from LUCCA - see MAIA's ST/60 of 28 March 45)	
1 District :-										
(13 CRASC) (Gross Tonnage)	21000	40687 (24)	40687 (19)	34875 (16)	325500	11589	772	12361 (6)	4030000 (4)	
(20 CRASC) (Gross Tonnage)	21000	40687 (24)	40687 (19)	34875 (16)	325500	11589	772	12361 (6)	4030000 (4)	
2 District :-										
37 BSD for 59 Area (Gross Tonnage)	2500	4850 (3)	4850 (2)	4160 (2)	38750	1379		1379 (1)	387500 (1)	
BSD for 60 Sub-Area (Gross Tonnage)	2900	5620 (3)	5620 (3)	4820 (2)	44950	1600		1600 (1)	449500 (1)	
Total net wt.		251688	251688	215739	2013450	81543	4329	85872	21297000	2
Total Gross Tonnage		145	115 +	98				42	25	

	4027008 rations	
Amounts now held by 14 CRASC	1459851 + rations	122690 lbs
Total balances to be handed to 14 CRASC	2567157 rations	93049 "

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MAY MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY(B'Incr), 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT & 2 DISTRICT

CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (SUPPLY UNITS)

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+ NOTES:- (1) NUTS:-

	Commodity	Ration Scale	Net wt.(lbs)	Rations	Ratio
Required:-	Nuts without shells	1 oz.	251688		4027
Now held by 14 CRASC-	Shelled almonds	1 oz.	52000	832000	
	Walnuts in shells	2 oz.	17414	139312	
	Hazel nuts in shells	2 oz.	18098	144784	
	Dried Figs	100 gr.	75882	343755	
					1459851 / 2567155

Tonnage calculated on basis of issue of nuts without shells. Tonnage to be amended accordingly in case of issue of nuts in shells or figs.

(2) WINE:-

Will be despatched by weekly instalments in tankers, or, if available, in barrels. Tonnage of wine is not included in total tonnage above. Wine for 61 Area should be consigned to 108 DID ANCONA, for issue from 209 Division Wine Point.

(3) SOAP:-

750 lbs is for 1700 mules, at 200 gr. per month.

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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.1672/Co di prot. P.M.16, li 14 aprile 1945

O G G E T T O : Richiesta tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di maggio.-

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- Direz.Gen.dei Serv.di Comm/to Militare - = R O M A =

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e, per conoscenza;

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

A Tomaselli

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-I.F.A. HQ.-
Ufficio S a n i t à

N° 1221/1 /san. di prot. P.M.16,li 7 aprile 1945

O G G E T T O : Buoni prelevamento M.D.

M. M. I.. A.
Rear HQ Eighth Army = C. M. F. =

Si inviano per l'approvazione i buoni di prelevamento per la M.D. dell'O.C. 292, riferiti al mese di aprile c.a.

IL TEN.COL.MED.CAPO UFF.SANITA'
(Sottini Giovanni)

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2 Polcorps
5 Corps
CRASC Army Tps
86 Area
Miaspol

Message Instructions | GR

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ST 568 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Soap Italian released ex 6 BSD RIMINI for period 9 - 29 Apr at scale 100 grams per man per week (.)

2 Polcorps	9,500
5 Corps	8,000
86 Area (for 105 BDE)	2,500
CRASC Army Tps (for 14 Coy Comp Pl)	3,500

All in pounds

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AT 557 (.) REPEATED (.) Demand for Key month (.) Olive Oil 77500 lbs Nuts (without shells) 77500 lbs Salt 66750 lbs Tins 620000 Tins Matches 160000 boxes Cigarettes 16000 lbs Soap 27000 lbs (.) Based on strength of 40000

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LO 8 ARMY

SUBJECT: Drawing of rations for attached personnel.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/1-77
7 April 1945

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TO : Direz. Gen. Commissariato
Ministry of War

1. When it is necessary for units to draw rations other than for the actual strength of their own personnel such as:

a. Personnel attached for rations.
b. Units attached for rations.
c. Small isolated units with insufficient transportation to draw their own rations.
d. Territorial Headquarters drawing rations for several units in their immediate vicinity.

The following information will be shown on the reverse side of the Ration Issue Note (MMIA Form ST/8) covering the issue of the rations.

(1) Actual strength of the unit drawing the rations.
(2) Strength of attached personnel, showing designation of their parent unit.
(3) Strength and designation of any attached units which may be included in the ration issue.

2. This information shown on the reverse side of the Ration Issue Note will enable both you and ourselves to be able to more efficiently control the issue of rations to the Italian Military. This will apply to all units drawing rations from the Army depots; that is, Army, Air Corps, and CC.RR.

3. You will please therefore issue instructions to your depots immediately, to implement this policy, sending us a copy of your instructions. We are asking our Liaison Officers to check the MMIA Form ST/8's in their respective areas to insure that your instructions concerning this matter are adhered to.

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Tommy T Rose

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

TTR/ri
Copy to: ALL MMIA LO's
ALL BLU's
MMIA ST
Air Force Sub Commission
Public Safety Sub Commission

Duplicate to 228

Report
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SIGNAL IN MESSAGE SMC. 97/4.

FROM. 86 ARMY AREA

TO. REAR 8 ARMY

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REST). REQUEST AUTHY INCREASE ISSUE OF RATIONS ITAL ARMY SCALE TO BRCS CERVIA TO 46. AUTHY FOR EMPLOYMENT RLOS/LA OF 26 MAR

TOO 1415A

DI T. Q. ST. MMIALC. LAB.

Bgcct.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH.

Subject:- MMIA Form ST 8.

AFHQ/64/6/ST6(a)

Tel. Freedom 217
(2 Rings)

24 March 45

DDST Eighth Army.

1. The enclosed Form ST.8 (in triplicate), in respect of an issue to 292 Ospedale da Campo has been returned as incomplete by MMIA.

2. Please have the Form completed at the points indicated and re-submitted direct to MMIA.

for Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

DATE
DADOS
SIGN

S.T. BRANCH
26 MAR 1945

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For 228 Div.

Check from 292 Fd Hosp whether or not they drew any of this stuff during March. If not indent can be resubmitted.
Must have found there way to Rome by mistake.

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CIGS

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SIGNALS

Jnb 10/1 ST MMIA/0

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QVR2/3

FROM OC 30 ESD RASC

TO OC 38 BSD RASC

MONTECATINI WORKS MONTEMARCIANO

INFO DDST 8 ARMY

[redacted] MMIA LO 8 ARMY

S/26/1/524.DESPATCHED TO YOU 28 PACK 38BSD/31

TRUCK NO 36829 ACME SEALED CONTENTS CIGS MILIT

500000 CIGS CONTINUE PAYMENT

570000.MMIA MOVEMENT ORDER NO 14 DATED 17 MAR 45.

REP ~~138 2 3 30 38~~ MONTEMARCIANO ~~8 8 26 1~~ 14

~~5775~~ ~~26/1/524~~ ~~28 38 31 36829~~

~~5000~~ ~~500000~~ ~~570000~~ ~~14 17 45~~

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Pacco 1495

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
-I.F.A.HQ. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

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Nº 1432/Co di prot. 11 APR 1945 R.A. 16, li 30 marzo 1945-

OGGETTO: Richiesta tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di aprile.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
-Direz.Gen.dei Serv.di Comm/to Militare - = R O M A =

e per conoscenza:

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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- Ufficiali..... n. 500
- Sottufficiali e truppa..... n. 10.000

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - C.E.

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A. Tomaselli

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Bgt

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SUBJECT:- Provision of Italian Items of the Ration Scale for 5 Army (Br Incr), 8 Army, 1 District and 2 District.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102/18

16 March 45.

D.S.T.
A.F.H.Q.

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SOAP	76542	"	77280	"
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COGNAC	7000	litres	7063	litres
CIGARETTES, ICSUL	29025000	singles	27000000	singles
WINE	1708500	litres		

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K. Robertshaw, Maj.

for Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

KRN/jc

Copy to:- DDST 8 Army
DDST 5 Army (Br.Incr.)
DDST 1 District
DDST 2 District

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ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

KRH/jc

Copy to:- DDST 8 Army
DDST 5 Army (Br.Incr.)
DDST 1 District
DDST 2 District
14 CRASC
LO's Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA):
NAPLES
8 Army
5 Army (Br.Incr.)
1 District
13 CRASC
20 CRASC
Ministry of War

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DISINFECTANTS

RGCA

SUBJECT:- Allocation of Hospital, Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Supplies for Italian Armed Forces - April 1945.

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28 MAR 1945

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/9/2

25 March 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- DADMS MMIA (2)
DST AFHQ
DDST Fifth Army
DDST Eight Army
DDST No. 1 District
DDST No. 3 District
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) LO's:
NAPLES; ROME; 1 District;
BARI ; SICILY; Rear 5 Army;
Rear 8 Army; Rear 5 Army (Br Incr).
ADST RAAC
HQ 14 CRASC
HQ 22 CRASC
HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
HQ Air Forces Sub Comm. AC.
ST/17/3

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Release by	Milk	Rice	Ground Rice or Equivalent	Margarine	Meat Extract
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22 CRASC(Sup Units) BARI (For Italian Navy)	1380	2600	665	2310	115
14 CRASC(Sup Units)NAPLES:	2755	5200	1335	4620	230
14 CRASC(Sup Units)NAPLES: (For Shipment to SARDINIA)	415	780	200	700	35
92 D.I.D., ROME	3445	6500	1665	5775	290
D.I.D's, 1 District	1380	2600	665	2310	115
114 D.I.D., SICILY	690	1300	335	1155	60

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DST AFHQ HQ 14 CRASC
DDST Fifth Army HQ 22 CRASC
DDST Eight Army HQ Navy Sub Commission AC.
DDST No. 1 District HQ Air Forces Sub Comm. AC.
DDST No. 3 District ST/17/3
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) LO's:
NAPLES; ROME; 1 District;
BARI ; SICILY; Rear 5 Army;
Rear 8 Army; Rear 5 Army (Br Incr).

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5 Army Depots	4815	9100	2335	8085	400
8 Army Depots	1655	3120	800	2775	140
	18600	35100	9000	31200	1560

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(b) Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Supplies.

Release by	Anti-Mos. Cream lbs.	Fly Catchers No.	Prep. Rat Bait lbs.	A.L. 63 Lbs.	Blocks Fumigating No.	Anti-Mos. Spr. Gals	Cresoli Gals	Meth. Sprt Gals	Malariol Gals	Paris Green
22 CRASC (Sup Units) BARI	-	-	-	500	-	-	200	-	1000	-
14 CRASC (Sup Units) NAPLES	20000	10000	-	500	-	-	-	-	-	500
14 CRASC (Sup Units) NAPLES(For shipment to SARDINIA	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	50	-	-
92 D.I.D., ROME	16000	10000	-	1000	-	1000	400	200	1000	-
114 D.I.D., SICILY	9000	12000	12	500	50	500	-	125	500	500
	45000	32000	17	2500	50	1500	600	375	2500	1000

2. No releases are included in para 1 (b) above in respect of Fifth and Eighth Armies and 1 District, in view of MMIA Administrative Instruction No. 23 dated 3 March 45 and AFHQ/64/ST6(a) dated 7 March 45.

3. You are asked to instruct your collecting units or supply formations to contact respective MMIA LO's in the event of any difficulty encountered with respect to collection of the above.

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Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

KRN/jc

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Army Form C.2186 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

27 MAR 1945

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Office Date Stamp

FROM (A) Originator	Date-Time of Origin
rear EIGHTARMY	26 1600 A

For Action

6 BSD H Hurd

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

5 Corps 2 Polcorps Minspol

Message Instructions — GR

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Originator's No. ST 503 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Brandy Italian released as follows

(.) 5 Corps 700 galls (.) 2 Polcorps 700 galls

Repeat

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This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except ( ) wireless ( )	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this Message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instruc. Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op
			THI or TOR		
			Time cleared		

Signed

Signed

MOTA HQ

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SUBJECT : Cigarette Issue to FRIULI ICC — 50 Brit Liaison Unit

ST 2 POLCORPS — ST/5/10

copy to : ST 26 BIU att POLCORPS
MMIA LO EIGHTH Army
UFFICIO COMMISSARIO

28 MAR 1945 — 27 Mar 45

CIGARETTES.

The position with regard to the issue of cigarettes to FRIULI ICC since 7 Mar, the day on which the ration was increased to 10 cigarettes per man per day, is a follows :-

1. The following issues have been made ex 327 DID.

Mar 8	NIL	Mar 18	NIL
10	203 Kgs	20	NIL
12	200 "	22	189 Kgs
14	NIL	24	190 Kgs
16	566.625. Kgs	26	NIL

TOTAL = 1348.625 Kgs

2. Calculating the weight of the ration at 3 ozs per week, the daily requirements of the Group at an average strength of 9,500 are 256 lbs.

3. The mount required to cover the period dealt with in para 1 is therefore 5120 lbs, or 2327 Kgs.

May all possible steps please be taken to get this unsatisfactory state of affairs adjusted: the lack of cigarettes is an over present source of complaint from the ITALIAN tps and, in fact, they have been very little better off since their ration was supposed to have been increased.

Bg Cdt

Maj
DADST

CLP
GAB/SXB

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SOAP

Rear

T-3 Ext: 213

Subject: Soap for Italian Military

26 MAR 1945

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Rear HQ Eighth Army CMF

R 5006 ST

26 Mar 45

Ord, Rear Army

Copy to: MMLA Rear Army

1. Requirements of Soap for the month of April 45 to be issued through ST channels to Italian Military @ 150 grams per man per month are:-

13,750 lbs.

2. Will you please advise when the above quantity can be made available for collection.

[signature]
Brig.
DDST.

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) — **MESSAGE FORM** — 26044 Register No.

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
			26045 26046

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY — Office Date Stamp

FROM (A) — Originator: [illegible] — Date - Time of Origin: 2600 Z

For Action: [illegible]

TO — (W) For Information (INFO): [illegible]

ARMY RA26.III SIGNAL — Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No. MM 415

RESTRICTED (.) REQUEST YOU ISSUE ITALIAN ARMY SCALE RATIONS ON DEMAND TO 22 COMMISSIONE RICUPERI PESARO UP TO MAX 22 ALL RANKS (.) UNIT PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED 8 CERSETI

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3637/GHQP

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means {except / wireless}	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op.
Signed	Signed		THI or TOR 0615		
			Time cleared		

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Army Form C.2156 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** SOAP

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions	Register No.
			Bgcet.	

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FROM (A) Originator: Rear EIGHTARMY

Date-Time of Origin: 25 1230 A

Office Date Stamp: 102 6

TO For Action: 6 BSD HAW

(W) For Information (INFO):

2 Polish Corps — 5 Corps — 86 Area HAW
CRASC 8 Army Tps HAW — Miscpol — 3 Beach Gp HAW

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No.

SF 696(.) RESTRICTED (.) Soap Italian released to formations as under for period 26 Mar - 1 Apr 45 representing one weeks supply at 400 grams per man per month (.)

2 Polish Corps	3000
5 Corps	3500
CRASC 8 Army Tps (for 14 Coy Comp PI)	1000
86 Area (for 103 DID)	1250
3 Beach Gp (for 209 Ind DID)	1500

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All in Pounds

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Signed

Signed

MAJA Rear Army

Rpt. [illegible]

SUBJECT:- Provision of Italian Items of the Ration Scale for 5 Army (Br.Incr), 8 Army, 1 District and 2 District.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102/18

17 March 45.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.

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1. Forwarded herewith is the demand for supplies for April consumption.

2. The following supplies will be handed over to 14 CRASC not later than 22 ~~April~~ May 1945:

Nuts	95 tons nett	gross 97	tons
Salt	82 " "	" 84	"
Soap	28 " "	" 31	"
Cigarettes (Free issue)	29 " "	" 32	"
Matches	195,304 boxes	" 4	"
Cognac (at present none in stock)		—	
Olive Oil	25 tons nett	" 31	"
Wine (according to R.C.Ws available)		—	
		279 gross	

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3. It will be noted that the demand for soap totals 34 tons nett but owing to short supply only 28 tons can be released. The balance of 6 tons will be handed over to 14 CRASC before the end of March.

4. According to information given by Lt.Col. WHITE supplies should be consigned forward as follows:-

8 Army	to 13 CRASC	
5 Army (Br.Incr.)	to 20 CRASC	
1 District 2/3	to 13 CRASC	
1 District 1/3	to 20 CRASC	
2 District 1/2	to 20 CRASC	) See DDST minute dated 7 March 1945
2 District 1/2	to 13 B.S.D.	) ST/4009/7 addressed to HQ MMIA copy to you.

K. F. Curtis

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA).

KFC/gmc

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KFC/gmc

Copy to:- DDST 8 Army
DDST 5 Army (Br.Incr.)
DDST 1 District
DDST 2 District
14 CRASC
LO's Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).
NAPLES (For action)
8 Army
5 Army (Br.Incr.)
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20 CRASC
Ministry of War (For action)

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ITALIAN PROVIDED ITEMS: APRIL MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY (BR) 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT

CONSIGNMENTS FOR 14 CRASC (Supply Units)

FORMATION	STRENGTH	OLIVE OIL at 28 gr.	NUTS W/O SHELLS at 28 gr.	SALT at 24 gr	WINE at ½ litre	Soap for men at 300 gr(fwd tps), at 250 gr (rear tps)	SOAP FOR MEDICAL USE	TOTAL SOAP	Issue Cigarettes 10 per man(fwd tps), 5 per man(rear tps)	Matches: 10 per week
		LBS	LBS	LBS	LITRES	LBS	LBS	LBS	SINGLES	BXS OF 100
8 Army	59000	73125	73125	62679	585000	25828	1426	27254	11700000	66900
Gross Tonnage:		(¼= 11)	(13)	(29)	(tankers)	-	-	(14)	(13)	(1½)
5 Army(Br)	35600	66750	66750	57214	534000	23576	1285	24861	10680000	61030
Gross tonnage:		(¼= 9½)	(30)	(26)	(tankers)	-	-	(12)	(11)	(1)
1 District	30000	65625	65625	56253	525000	22053	-	22053	6000000	60002
Gross tonnage:		(¼= 9½)	(30)	(26)	(tankers)	-	-	(10)	(7)	(1)
2 District	4300	8062	8062	6910	64500	2374	-	2374	645000	73?2
Gross tonnage:		(¼= 1)	(4)	(3)	(tankers)	-	-	(1)	(1)	(½)
Total net weight		213562	213562	183056	1708500	73831	2711	76542	29025000	193304
Total gross tonnage		(31)	(97)	(84)	(tankers)	-	-	(37)	(32)	(4)

Ø = Not Available.

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ED ITEM: APRIL MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN TROOPS WITH 5 ARMY (BC) 8 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT, 2 DISTRICT.

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(3)	(29)	(tankers)	-	-	(14)	(13)	(1½)	Ø	10½
66750	57214	534000	23576	1285	24861	10680000	61030	3000	-
(30)	(26)	(tankers)	-	-	(12)	(11)	(1)	Ø	8½
65625	56253	525000	22053	-	22053	6000000	60002	-	-
(30)	(26)	(tankers)	-	-	(10)	(7)	(1)		8½
8062	6910	64500	2374	-	2374	645000	7302	-	-
(4)	(3)	(tankers)	-	-	(1)	(1)	(½)		1½
213562	183056	1708500	73831	2711	76542	29025000	193304	7000	-
(97)	(84)	(tankers)	-	-	(37)	(32)	(4)	Ø	285

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION
(MMIA)

20 MAR 1945

MOVEMENT ORDER

SECRET

MMIA Form ST/17
Sheet 1 of 1
MMIA Movement No. 14 CRASC/2
Date issued 17 March 1945

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TO:- Ministry of War.

1. The following will be shipped from Italian Army Depots as indicated:

Consignee:-	For or-shipment to:-	Date required at final destination:-
14 CRASC (Supply Units)	Italian Admin. Divisions mentioned below.	25 March 1945

Item	Quantity-net weight		Shipping weight	Ex Depot at:-
Repayment Cigarettes	MILIT type (singles)	Commune type (singles)		
for 231 Div.	4,860,000	540,000	for troops with	5 Army (Br.Incr.)
for 228 Div.	4,995,000	555,000	" "	8 Army
for 209 Div.	5,076,750	293,250	" "	1 & 2 Districts
	14,931,750	1,388,250		

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FILE ST/102/18

K Robertson Maj
for Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

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" Sicily			" 8 Army		X

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Item	Quantity-net weight		Shipping weight	Ex Depot at:-
Repayment Cigarettes	MILIT type (singles)	Commune type (singles)		
for 231 Div.	4,860,000	540,000	for troops with	5 Army (Br.Incr.)
for 228 Div.	4,995,000	555,000	" "	8 Army
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" Sicily			" 8 Army		X
" Taranto			" 1 District		X
" Bari(2) 1 for 22 CRASC			" 3 District		
			" 5 Army		
" Naples (3)	X		" Br Incr 5 Army		X
DST AFHQ		X	Ministry of War	X	
DDST 2 District		X	DDST 8 Army		X
14 CRASC (Supply Units)		X	DDST 5 Army (Br.Incr.)		X
			DDST 1 District		X

Two copies of Movement Orders will invariably be forwarded to the MMIA LO at the point of despatch for action vide para 4 of instructions [redacted].

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IN
CIPHER MESSAGE 102.

Folio No. 4001

To

ST Main PolCorps INFO ST 8 ARMY
MMIALO 8 ARMY

From ST 50 BLU No. ST 60 Date Time of Origin

No COGNAC and NO cigarettes issued to FRIULI ex 324 POLISH DIV to-day

Distribution :-

S.M.C.

1480 Operator's Signature

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— Message Instructions — | —GR—

5 Corps 2 Polish Corps

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Originator's No.

ST 533 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Release Italian Brandy to

5 Corps 244 Galls 2 Polish Corps 244 Galls

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HARR V LAEE NR 46 OP OP

OVR -4-8

FROM MMIA 191240A

TO DST AFHQ PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO 14 CRASC

INFO DDST REAR 8ARMY DDST 5ARMY (BRINCR)

DDST DISTONE DDST DISTWO

REAR 8ARMY FOR MMIA LO 5 ARMY (BR INCR) FOR MMIA LO

DISTONE FOR MMIA LO 13 CRASC

20 CRASC ITALIAN MINISTRY OF "AR"

GR 19 01

ST/787 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REFERENCE SECOND LINE PARA

2 CNA MMIA LETTER ST/102/18 OF 17 (.)

READ MARCH RPT MARCH INSTEAD APRIL.

BT 191240A

RPTNS 46 OP 4 8 191240 14 8 5 8 5 13 20 19

ST/787 2 ST/102/18 17

AC BBB

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HARR V LAEE NR3

OVI 1

FROM AFHQ 191211A

TO REAR EIGHTH ARMY

INFO 15 ARMY GROUP

GR 30

RESTRICTED

SIGNED SACMED (.) FX46067 CITE FHGDQ

SUBJECT IS ISSUE OF SALT TO ITALIAN BAKERIES (.)

AUTHORITY GRANTED IN INSTRUCTIONS IN AFHQ/64/ST6(B) OF

14 MAR 45 (.) YOUR Q 4141 OF 16 MAR REFERS

BT 191211A

RPTN 32 1 191211 15 30 46067 IM1 46067 AFHQ/64/ST6(B) IMM

B

) 14

45 4141 16 191211

SENT NR32 181440 HL

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SMC 16; 117 MMIA20

HARR V LAEE NR83 P P

P P

IMPORTANT

QVR 1-2

FROM MMIA 171655A

TO REAR EIGHT ARMY

INFO ST 50 BLU VIA POLCORPS

GR 27 BT

Q-86 RESTRICTED FOR MMIA LO . REFERENCE TELEPHONE SALT QUERY THIS DATE . SCALE LAID DOWN OUR AQ2-55 OF 20 FEB RULES. MATTER BEING TAKEN UP MINISTRY OF WAR .

BT 171655A

RPTN 83 1-2 171655 50 27 Q-86 AQ2-55 20 171655

SENT NR83 172005 ML K K

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
Ufficio Commissariato

N.1148/Co di prot. P.M.16, 14 marzo 1945

OGGETTO = Richiesta tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di aprile.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA = Direz.Gen.Serv. di Commissariato Mil.
ROMA

e per conoscenza:
Al Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

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Prego voler assegnare i tabacchi a pagamento di spettanza per il mese di aprile c.a., in base alla forza sottoelencata:

- Ufficiali.....2.000
- Sottufficiali e truppa. 35.000.

Nella forza suddetta sono comprese le truppe di questa Divisione, quelle dei Gruppi da Combattimento "Cremona " e "Friuli" ed i complementi già arrivati o preannunziati in arrivo.=

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - I. F. A. HQ.

IL GENERALE-COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)
A Tomaselli

Ok MMIA Signed

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WL 9533/63727P 490M (Fads of L00) 5/43 MP 710428 51-6736

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(A)	MMIA TO REAR EIGHTARMY	142215 A	

For Action.

MMIA ROME

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No. CONFIDENTIAL

MM 397 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ (.) REF YOUR ST/775 OF 14 MAR (.) 22ND DIV INDENTING ON WAR MINISTRY FOR 5,550,000 MILIT CIGARETTES FOR APRIL (.) COVERS REQUIREMENTS OF ALL ITALIAN TPS IN ARMY AREA BASED ON STRENGTH 87,000

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HARR V LAEE NR52 IMPORTANT

QVR2

FROM MNIA 141040A

TO DISTONE :: [redacted] REAR EIGHT ARMY :: 5 ARMY BR INCR

GR23 BT

ST/775 RESTRICTED (.)

FOR MNIA LO S (.) REF PARA 6(C) (1) CMA MNIA ADM INST 22 (.)

REQUEST INDENT FOR REPAYMENT CIGARETTES REQUIRED

APRIL MAINTENANCE RESPECTIVE DIVISIONS

BT 141040A

RPTN 52 PIB QVR2 141040A R 23 ST/775 LO S 6(C) (1) 22

SENT RJ R

Indent not yet sent to Base Min

37,000 5,550,000

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Adm 862/13.
MMIHLO

102

14 MAR 1945

HARR V MWRU 13/609

QVR5

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA . 131600A

TO MMIA

INFO AFHQ . 14 CRASC . PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

REAR EIGHT ARMY HQ FOR MMIA LO

QQX GR --- BT

ST/849 RESTRICTED . 400 KGS CIGARETTES MILIT

WERE COLLECTED FROM

MAGGAZINO VIVERI BARI BY 228

DIV ON 9 MARCH

BT

THI 131740

REPTNS 609 QVR5 MMIA LO 54 131600

14 PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

ST/849 400 KGS

MILIT MAGGQXXX MAGGAZINO VIVERI

228 DIV 9/131740

SENT BOK VA TKS AT 1903

400,000 Cigarettes

NT4 QGJ 1903

told Monica that all future requirements will come to Rimini Evacuation Unit V.C.P.

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	For Action: MMLA Rear Army		
TO	(W) For Information (INFO)		Message Instructions — GR—

Originator's No.

ST669 (.) RESTRICTED (.) 4,845,000 MILIT Cigarettes received today at 6 BSD RIMINI (.) Please advise this office formation to which these are to be handed over and date on which collection will be made (.) For your info this quantity represents 5 x 3 ton lorry loads

1470

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rear EIGHTARMY	101500A		

For Action

TO HQ MMIA ROME

(W) For Information (INFO)

FREEDOM cite FHGDT

Originator's No. ST 659 (.)

RESTRICTED (.) ref our ST 650 dated 7 mar (.) amend cigarettes to read 12,000,000 pieces (.) add matches 24,000 boxes cognac 4000 litres

4469

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(sgd) R.W.GOURDIE, Lt-Col		IMPORTANT	THI or TOR		
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SIGNAL MESSAGE IN

SM◡ I94/II

DISTR:- ST MMIALO

TO:- O◡ 594 ◡OM PLN RAS◡ INFO DDST EIGHTH ARMY

ADST MMIA ROME MMIA LO EIGHTH ARMY ID ◡ RAS◡ (SUP UNITS)

FROM:- 30 BSD RAS◡ S/26/404 II0930 A

RESTRICTED. DESPATCHED TO YOU IO PACK 27/13 3 (THREE) TRUCKS ACME SEALED. TRUCK NO 514154 CONTENTS WINE 2285. TRUCK NO 568186 CONTENTS WINE 3493. TRUCK NO I00381 CONTENTS CIGS ITALIAN (MILIT) FOR 228 ITALIAN DIV 4848000

THI .... IMPORTANT

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SUBJECT:- Issues of Hospital Items to Italian Armed Forces.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm, AC
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army

MM/102
8 Mar 45

Land Forces Sub Comm, AC,
(M.M.I.A.). R O M E.

Ref S2/9 dated 16 Feb 45.

Herewith details of issues of Hospital Diet Items to Italian Armed Forces during period 1/31 Jan 45.

Milk USA	167 lbs
Rice	315 "
Margarine	290½ "
Cornflour	55 "
Meat Extract	14 "

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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CIGARETTES

SECRET

SUBJECT:- MILIT Cigarettes for March 45.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/60

8 Mar 45.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) LO's:
NAPLES; 8 ARMY; 5 ARMY;
TARANTO; 5 ARMY (BR INCR); 1 DISTRICT.

Copy to:- D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.
14 CRASC (Supply Units). PBS.

1. War Ministry has allotted MILIT cigarettes for March as follows :-

(a)	Naples	337 quintals
(b)	Bari	54 "
(c)	Rome	60 "
(d)	Palermo	10 "
(e)	Catanzaro	14 "
(f)	Taranto	10 "
		485 "

(b) Commissariato Bari has been ordered to despatch all the above except to their respective destinations, by weekly installments of ¼ total amounts.

2. 337 quintals for Naples includes following :-

for Sardinia	35 quintals	
for 231 Division	33 "	}
for 228 Division	54 "	} to be handed over to 14 CRASC
for 209 Division	22 "	} for onward transmission - see below.
for 210 Division	27 "	
for 212 Division	68 "	

14 CRASC despatches amounts for 209 Division and 231 Division to 37 BSD at AREZZO, and amount for 228 Division on Pack 27 to 6 BSD. LO's 1 District, 5 Army (Br Incr) and 8 Army are requested to inform these Administrative Divisions accordingly.

3. LO's where applicable, are requested to follow up the above arrangements and to report any difficulties to this HQ. LO Naples is requested to arrange if possible, for loading on next ship of amount for Sardinia.

4. War Ministry's instructions are contained in their 4798/3/1 dated 28 February 1945 addressed all Commissariats concerned.

Lt. Col. RASC, A D (Mov)
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA).

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For Action

2 Telecmps 5 Corps 86 Area 3 Bomb Gp

207 Sub Area CRAIG 8 Army Spt

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Mkgnl

— Message Instructions — | —GR—

Originator's No.

RE 656 (.) REQUESTED (.) ref 7 Apr from Lonis Capo

to ITALIAN AIRC FORCES increased from 35 per week to

70 per week

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For Action.

MMIA ROME

TO 102

(V) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No. CONFIDENTIAL

MM 387 ~~RESTRICTED~~ (.) FOR NELSON REF REAR EIGHT ARMY ST 650

OF 7 MAR (.) FIRST (.) STRENGTH COVERS 228 DIV FRIULI

AND CREMONA GROUPS ONLY (.) SECOND (.) ADD MATCHES

X

24000 BOXES COGNAC 20000 LITRES (.) THIRD (.) AMEND

CIGARETTES 12000000 (TWELVE MILLION) SINGLES (.) FOURTH (.)

ST ARMY ARE SENDING OUT AMENDMENT

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Tel. Ext. 213

SUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Armed Forces

Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY CMF

R 5006 ST

Mar 45

OC 6 BSD, RASC

Copy to:- DDST 2 Polish Corps
5 Corps
ADST 86 (Army) Area
26 DLU att 2 Polish Corps
OC RASC 207 Sub Area
CRASC Eighth Army Tps
O i/c 14 Coy Comp Pl
MMLA Rear Eighth Army

Release Soap Italian as follows :-

2 Polish Corps	1,800 lbs
5 Corps	2,400 "
86 Area (for 103 DID)	600 "
207 Sub Area (for 209 Ind DID)	1,350 "
CRASC Eighth Army Tps (for 14 Coy Comp Pl)	250 "

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E. Lewelstein Maj

for Brig.
DDST.

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SUBJECT:- Soap for 1051 (Italian) Tk Bn.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comd, A.F.,
(L.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

HQ,
1 Armd Replacement Gp.

MI/102
9 Mar 45.

Ref your letter 176A/102 of 4 Mar 45.

1. Soap supplies for Italian units have been very short during February, due largely to production not coming up to schedule. March supplies are, however, assured.

2. Soap should be obtained through DIDs on following scale :-

300 grammes per head per month from Italian sources
100 grammes " " " " " British "

3. An additional 50 grammes has been authorised by AFHQ and is being held as a reserve by Army in case of future shortages and also for special "dirty worker" issues.

4. If you consider 1051 Tk Bn personnel qualify for a "dirty worker" issue, it is suggested that you apply through normal channels for "Q" authority.

Major,
M.I.A. LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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SOAP

HQ 1 MED REPLACEMENT GP, CMF.

Tel:- Via Main Eighth Army.

File:- 176A/102

Date:- 4 Mar, 45.

HQEA,
Rear Eighth Army.

SUBJECT:- 1091 (Italian) Tk Bn.

1. OC 1091 (Italian) Tk Bn has complained that his unit does not receive a satisfactory issue of washing soap. All his personnel are employed as mechanics, greasers on AFV maintenance circuits or, in a small number of cases, on general duties, and their overalls and clothing do get extremely dirty.

2. This question is considered important both on grounds of hygiene and morale.

3. May some steps be taken to improve the soap issue to this unit.

Reply stating Posn.

Field.

JHP/JK.

for Colonel,
Comd.

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SUBJECT:- Hospital Diet Items
Italian Forces
Period 1 to 31 Jan 45.

102 WH

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/9
16 Feb 45.

LO's
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).
Rear 8 Army.
Fr-Incr 5 Army.

Reference this HQ letter ST/9 dated 4 Jan 45.

1. Can confirmation be given please re the withdrawal of Hospital Diet Items, for the a/m period.

With a hearty Xmas.
Capt for K.F.CURTIS.
Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

BG/nc

Milk	572	Issues for 1-31 Jan 45
Rice	1080	
Semolina, etc.	280	
Marmite	1020	
Meat Extract	48	

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TO: HQ MTOUSA ROME

(W) For Information (INFO): FREEDOM site FIVE

8 MAR 1945

Message Instructions — —GR—

Originator's No.

ST650 (.) RESTRICTED (.) demand for april maint (.)

olive oil 72000 rats without shells 36000 salt 36000

wine 600,000 soap 27000 cigarettes 546,000 (.) based on

strength of 39000

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CIGARETTES

107 CARR V HAR NR 779 QVR 3

FROM 51 BLU 031530 A

TO MMIA

INFO Q REAR 5 CORPS REAR 8 ARMY

FROM MMIA LO

QQX GR 77 BT

Q 20 . RESTRICTED . MINISTRY OF WAR

IN THEIR LETTER 4139/S/1 OF 20 FEB COPY OF

WHICH ADDRESSED TO YOU RELEASED TO CREMONA

FIFTEEN QUIATALE CIGARETTES TO COMPLETE FEBRUARY

ALO++ ALLOTMENT . WHEN CREMONA VEHS WENT TO COLLECT

FROM ROME THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BRING

CIGARETTES AWAY ON ORDERS OF CAPT CRAWFORD BELIEVED

OF YOUR HQ . CIGARETTES WERE NOT ADDITIONAL TO

ENTITLEMENT . REQUEST YOU CLARIFY

SITUATION WITH ITALIAN MINISTRY OF WAR .

AND SIGNAL ~~WHEN~~ WHEN WE MAY SEND VEHS AGAIN

BT

RPTN ~~779 QVR 3 51 031530 A MMIA Q 5 8~~

~~MMIA LO GR 77 Q 20~~

~~4139/S/1 20 QUIATALE~~

~~CRAWFORD~~

~~HQ AR TKS~~

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SMC 10/7 OOCS TS transm

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HARR V LAEE NR 6

QVR 3

FROM HHIA 061710A

TO 51 BLU FOR ST

INFO Q REAR 5 CORPS - REAR 8 ARMY FOR HHIA LO

GR 65 BT

RESTRICTED (.) ST/767 (.) 102.

YOUR SIGNAL Q 20 OF 3 REFERS (.) CREMONA WAS STOPPED FROM COLLECTING CIGARETTES EX ROME SINCE ENTIRE REQUIREMENTS FOR BRITI INCLUDING CREMONA FOR FEBRUARY HAD BEEN HANDED OVER TO 14 CRASC AT BASE (.) NO BACK ISSUES ARE AUTHORIZED (.) ACTION OF ITALIAN MINISTRY OF WAE CORRECTED TO AVOID SIMILAR SITUATION IN FUTURE (.) HAVE YOUR RECEIVED THROUGH NORMAL RASC CHANNELS (.) OUR ST/60 DATED 22 FEB REFERS

BT 061710A

REPTN ~~6 3 061710 51 Q 5 65~~

AND ~~8 ST/767 Q 20 3~~

1436

~~CREMONA 14 ST/60 DATED 22 FEB REFERS~~

SENT RL

~~WAE CORRECTED IS PER COPY ON~~

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R 2250
15 Mar

10 June 1945

E'S FEB 1945

102.

HARR V LAEE NR65 IMPORTANT

FROM MMIA 051720A

TO REAR G ARMY

GR59 ET

ST/703 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) 102

FOR MMIA LO (.) TO YOUR MM 373 OF 2 MARCH (.) IN THAT OUR ADM

INST 22 WAS NOT PUBLISHED UNTIL 20 FEB 45 CMA THIS HQ ANTICIPATED

REQUIREMENTS REPAYMENT CIGARETTES FOR MARCH (.) AMOUNTS FOR 228 DIV

HANDED OVER TO 14 CRASC ALREADY (.) WAR MINISTRY HAS BEEN ASKED

TO [redacted] DISREGARD YOUR DEMAND FOR MARCH IN LIGHT OF ABOVE

BT 051720A

Copy to 228 Div

RPTN ~~BJ 051720A G BJ ST/703 2/3 2/20 42~~

SENT RJ AR

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For Action

6 BSD (HANT)

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

5 CORPS POLCORPS MISSPOL

— Message Instructions — | —GR—

Originator's No.

ST 638 (.) RESTRICTED for ST (.) Release ITALIAN BRANDY

as follows 5 Corps 1000 litres (.) 2 Polcorps 1000 litres

Bgdt

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L . Ext, 213

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SUBJECT:- Soap for Italian Military

Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY CMF

R 5006 ST

1 Mar 45

Ord Rear Army

Copy to:- MMIA Rear Army

1. Requirements of Soap for the month of March 45 to be issued through S.T. channels to Italian Military at 150 grams per man per month are :-

12,400 lbs

2. Will you please advise when the above quantity can be made available for collection.

RQCM

B. Nicholls
Brig,
DOST.

Plt

7453

TOBACCO
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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. O. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.805/Co di prot. P.M.16, li 25 febbraio 1945

O G G E T T O : Spettanze tabacchi.-

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DEL COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI = B A R I =

e, per conoscenza;

Lisison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
HQ Rear Eighth Army

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Prego voler dare cortese urgente riscontro ai fogli di questo Comando n. 1645/Co del 28/12/1944 e n. 355/Co del 22/1/1945 (allegati n. 1 e 2), relativi alle spettanze dei tabacchi a razzamento per i mesi di gennaio e febbraio 1945.-

Con l'occasione faccio presente che questo Comando deve ancora ricevere le spettanze arretrate di tabacchi a razzamento relative ai mesi di ottobre - novembre e dicembre 1944 per complessivi quintali 40,87 (allegato n. 3).-

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - I. F. A. O.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

1451

Allegati n. 3

Informed Gen Tomaselli Kat

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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - I. F. A. O.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tonarelli)

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Allegati n. 3

Informed Gen Tonarelli that no back issues were now obtainable.

7 Mar 45

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Allegato n. 1

Urgente

C O P I A

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. Hq. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.1646/Co di prot. P.M.16, lì 28 dicembre 1944

O G G E T T O : Richiesta tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di gennaio.-

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DEL
COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA = P.M. 67 =

e, per conoscenza;

ALLA DELEGAZIONE " T " DELLO S.M.R.E. = P.M. 179 =

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Prego voler assegnare, per la distribuzione ai reparti dipendenti, le sigarette a pagamento di spettanza per il mese di gennaio p.v. in base alla foza seguente :

- Ufficiali.....n. 716
- Sottufficiali.....n. 760
- Truppa.....n. 14150

15620

+ Polizia?
+ CR
+ FR

Richiedo solo i tabacchi a pagamento essendo quelli gratuiti distribuiti, a decorrere dal 1° gennaio p.v., direttamente ai reparti dalle Sussistenze Alleate.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to(Attilio Tomasselli)

1450

p...c...c...
IL TEN.COL.CAPO DI S.M.
(Luigi Morrica)

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - I.F.A.

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n.1546/Co di prot. P.M.16, lì 28 dicembre 1944

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to(Attilio Tomaselli)

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IL TEN.COL.CAPO DI S.M.
(Luigi Morrica)

COMANDO 225ª DIVISIONE - U.O.

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Allegato n. 2

E s p r e s s o

C O P I A

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. M. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.356/Co di prot. P.M.16, li 22 gennaio 1945

O G G E T T O : Richiesta tabacchi a pagamento per il mese di febbraio.-

Alla DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DEL
COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA = B a R I =

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Prego voler assegnare, per la distribuzione ai reparti dipendenti i tabacchi a pagamento, di spettanza per il mese di febbraio c.a. in base alla forza seguente :

- Ufficiali.....n. 710
- Sottufficieli.....n. 750
- Truppa.....n.14150

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to (Attilio Tomaselli)

p...c...c...
IL TEN.COL.CAPO DI S.M.
(Luigi Morrica)

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Allegato n. 3

SPETTANZE AGENTI DI MILIZIA A PAGAMENTO PER LA 228^Div.I.F.A.HQ.

Mese di ottobre 1944.....G/Li 8,50 (foglio del Nucleo VI Comando terr.,n.3897/Serv. del 21/12 1944)

" " novembre 1944..... " 17,00 (foglio del Nucleo VI Comando terr.,n.3533/Serv. del 17/11 1944)

" " dicembre 1944..... " 15,37 (foglio del Nucleo VI Comando terr.,n.3997/Serv. del 31/12 1944).

T O T A L E..... G/Li 40,87 -

F. to 16, Li 25/2/1945

SEGUARDO 228ª DIVISIONE

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TO MMIA ROME

(W) For Information (INFO) 102.

Message Instructions — GR

3633:GHQP

Originator's No.

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DISINFECTANTS

SUBJECT:- Disinfectants for Italian Armed Forces - March 1945.

28 FEB 1945 187

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/17/1

26 Feb 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- DADMS MMIA
AQ
LO's Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).
5 Army (Br.Incr) 8 Army
1 District Naples
Bari Taranto
Sicily

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1. Authority has been received from AFHQ for the release of disinfectants for March 45, in accordance with the programme set out in Appendix A attached.

2. MMIA LO's, where applicable, are requested to liaise with local Italian Army representatives, and with the Allied issuing agency concerned, regarding collection and transportation. All withdrawals will be recorded on MMIA forms ST8.

3. For LO's 5 Army (Br.Incr) and 8 Army: it is understood that owing to the scattered location of units, 5 (Br.Incr) and 8 Armies prefer to make individual releases direct to units from D.I.Ds, rather than give a bulk release to the Medical Depot in the area. This is quite in order and LO's should ensure that Italian commands inform their units of the procedure arranged by S & T branches concerned. LO 5 Army (Br.Incr.) is requested to note that requirements for ITI-ITI units are included in the 5 Army (Br.Incr.) bulk release authority.

Inform 228 Div.

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Wm. Bracegirdle Capt

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

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APPENDIX A

DISINFECTANTS AND OTHER R.A.S.C. SUPPLIES FOR ITALIAN ARMY FOR MONTH OF MARCH 1945

AREA		Rard Terr. Command	Naples Terr. Command	Rome Terr. Command	Palermo Terr. Command	Florence Terr. Com. Gru.	Ancona Area	8th Army
Release at		22 CRASC Bari	14 CRASC Naples	92 D.I.D. Rome	114 D.I.D. Sicily	D.I.D. Florence	D.I.D. Ancona	D.I.D. Minist.
Consignee		Med. Direct. Bari	Med. Dir. Naples	Med. Dir. Rome	Med. Dir. Palermo	Med. Dir. Florence	Ital. Mil. Hosp. Ancona	13th Lt. AA Dep. Med. Pk.
Fly catchers	No	-	-	-	5000	24000	3000	36000
Rat Bait	lbs	-	-	-	-	25	5	59
A.L. 63	lbs	500	-	300	3000	1000	200	4500
Blocks fumigating	No	-	200	100	60	200	40	500
Cresol	Gallns	-	800	400	200	500	100	750
Methylated spirit	Gallns	-	-	200	100	250	50	575

N.B. Releases for Florence and 8 Army are subject to contents of para 3 of covering letter.

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...r. ...d	Naples Terr. Command	Bone Terr. Command	Palermo Terr. Command	Florence Terr.Com.	Ancona Area	8th Army	Italian Navy	REMARKS
...30	14 CRASC Naples	92 D.I.D. Bone	114 D.I.D. Sicily	D.I.D. Florence	D.I.D. Ancona	D.I.D. Rimini	NIL	
...rect.	Med. Dir. Naples	Med. Dir. Bone	Med. Dir. Palermo	Med. Dir. Florence	Ital. Mil. Hosp. Ancona	8th It. Adv. Dep. Med. Sto.	Navy Med. Direct.	
	-	-	9000	24000	9000	36000	-	74000
	-	-	-	25	5	35	-	65
...0	-	500	3000	1000	200	1500	-	6700
	200	100	80	200	40	300	-	920
	600	400	200	500	100	750	-	2750
	-	200	100	250	50	375	-	975

Florence and 8 Army are subject to contents of para 3 of covering letter.

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. Hq. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

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n.800/Co di prot. P.M.16, lì 22 febbraio 1945

O G G E T T O : Richiesta sapone per il mese di marzo.-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
HQ Rear Eighth Army

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Prego voler disporre per l'assegnazione a questo Comando del sapone gratuito ed a pagamento, di spettanza per il mese di marzo c.a., in base alla forza sotto elencata :

- Ufficiali.....n. 1.500
- Sottufficiali e truppa.....n. 28.000

Rispetto ai mesi precedenti è segnalata una forza maggiore, inquantochè, com'è noto, questo Comando, deve provvedere, d'ora innanzi, al rifornimento del sapone anche a tutte le altre forze Italiane dipendenti dall'8^ Armata (Gruppi di Combattimento " CREMONA " e " FRIULI ").-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE - I. F. A. HQ.

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Military Mission Italian Army
HQ Rear Eighth Army

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

Tomaselli

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - F. A. HQ

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- I. F. A. Hq. -
-Ufficio Commissariato-

n.804/Co di prot. P.M.16, li 23 febbraio 1945

O G G E T T O : Spettanze sapone mesi di gennaio e febbraio .-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
HQ Rear Eighth Army

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26 FEB 1945

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Questo Comando, come già fatto presente con foglio n. 369/Co del 26/1/1945, deve ancora ricevere le spettanze di sapone dei mesi di gennaio e febbraio .-

Poichè la mancanza di tale genere è fortemente risentita dal soldato, prego la S.V. di voler interessare l'Ente speditore (14° C.R.A.S.C. Napoli), perchè il sapone in oggetto possa affluire sollecitamente al Magazzino di questo Comando.-

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE - I. F. A. Hq.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)
A Tomaselli

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HOSP DIET

SUBJECT:- Hospital Diet Items for Issue for Use in Indian Ocean Area.

25 FEB 1945

102.

Zone Forces Sub Comd. AC.
(N.A.T.O.)
APO 9

26 Feb 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- [illegible]
AG
AC's Zone Forces Sub Comd. AC. (NTOA).
5 Army (for info)
9 Bde Gp
Rangoon
Kyaukse

3 Army
Shillong
Imphal
Dimapur

1. Authority has now been received for release of the hospital diet items set forth in the attached Appendix A.

2. N.A.T.O. AC's are requested to liaise with the depots concerned as to withdrawals, which will be recorded on N.A.T.O. form 621.

Medical.

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Capt. for Lt.Col. A.A.G.
AAG, Zone Forces Sub Comd. AC. (N.A.T.O.).

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ANNEX A

HOSPITAL BED STATUS AS OF 1 MAY 1945

	Beds Occupied	MAX	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Naval Territorial H.Q.	2500	3575	6750	1750	6375	300
Naples Terr. H.Q. (incl. Calabria)	2500	3575	6750	1750	6375	300
Rome Terr. H.Q. (excl. 1 District)	2500	3579	6750	1750	6375	300
1 District	1000	1430	2700	700	2550	120
Sicily	500	715	1350	350	1275	60
Sardinia	300	429	810	210	765	36
8th Army	1000	2145	4050	1050	3825	180
Tuscany & 5th Army	2000	2860	5400	1400	5100	240
Italian Navy	1000	1430	2700	700	2550	120
	13300	19734	37200	9660	35190	1656

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ANNEX "A"

IMPERIAL DIET ITEMS FOR MAY 1945

Rats assigned	MILK	EGGS	CHEESE	BUTTER	MEAT EXTRACT	Release to
2500	3575	6750	1750	6375	300	22 CCAMS
2500	3575	6750	1750	6375	300	14 CCAMS
2500	3575	6750	1750	6375	300	98 D.I.D. Reno
1000	1430	2700	700	2550	120	D.I.Do. 1 District
500	715	1350	350	1275	60	114 D.I.D. Shelby
300	429	810	210	765	36	14 CCAMS Naples for shipment to Sardinia - England.
1000	2145	4050	1050	3825	180	8 Army Depots
2000	2860	5400	1400	5100	240	5 Army Depots
1000	1430	2700	700	2550	120	22 CCAMS
15500	19734	37200	9660	35190	1656	All records in Lbs.

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MESSAGE FORM

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For Action: MMIA ROME

TO: (W) For Information (INFO): ST Rear Eighth Army

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Office Date Stamp

Message Instructions | GR

Originator's No. MM367. Restricted ○ ref your ST/349 dated 26 Feb ○ ST Army prefer to continue using British personnel to decant wine at RH. 143N

3633/GHQP

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FROM MMIA 261700A

TO REAR 8 ARMY

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ST/749 RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) PLEASE EXPEDITE REPLY OUR SIGNAL ST 729 OF

19 FEBRUARY

BT 261700A

Permission for Lecanting
Wine from rail Vaults

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SUBJECT: Discharge of Officers

24 JUN 1945

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A.302.
21 June'45.

To : Ministry of War

1. It has come to the notice of this HQ that Colonel Rossi Passavanti, E, Welfare Officer 228 Div., and LT.Col di Blasi,A, Welfare Officer 209 Div are to be discharged from the Army.

2. This HQ fully appreciates your desire to substitute Regular Officers in certain instances, but the primary factor affecting such matters must always be efficiency. From reports received here these officers are both doing excellent work, and would be difficult to replace by other than properly trained officers. Will you therefore please suspend the replacement of these officers until officers agreed by this HQ have been nominated and trained. Meanwhile these two officers should remain at duty, and the names of those you propose to substitute for them, should be submitted to this HQ.

3. Please also prepare and submit a recommendation, indicating the reasons which are considered sufficient to warrant the discharge of these efficient and specially trained officers.

W Pidsley
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:- MMIA L.C. 8 Army.
" " MMIA L.C. 1 District.

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Internal:- Welfare.

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W. Paley 7436
Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:- MMIA I.C. 8 Army.
" " MMIA I.C. 1 District.

Internal:- Welfare.

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SUBJECT:- Welfare Contracts - SAFAMI

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
24 June 45

HQ 228 Div.

1. I enclose herewith contracts for the u/m ladies :-

Signora TOZZINI
Signora SANTAGIULIANA
Signora PEZZI (in duplicate).

2. They have all been countersigned by Col STATHER on behalf of G.O.C., Eighth Army and you are requested to dispose of them as necessary.

Agcd.

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Army - Welfare

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

HQ 228 Div, PADOVA.

MM/119
24 June 45

Copy to: 5 Territorial HQ,
U D I N E.

The attached MMIA letter A.024 dated 21 June addressed to the Ministry of War is forwarded for your information.

Will you please inform me what arrangements are in force in this area for the rehabilitation of soldiers on demobilisation.

Bgclt.

Major,
MMIA IO, Rear Eighth Army.

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MMIA 40's Rear 8th Army

Subject: Italian Army - Welfare of Demobilised Soldiers.

23 JUN 1945
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LAND FORCES SUB-COMM A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) R O ME
A 024

21 June, '45.

To : Ministry of War (Ufficio Benessere Dal Soldato)

1. In the interest of the Italian Army I feel it my duty to draw your attention to the lack of initiative and foresight on the part of your Welfare Service in the matter of the resettlement of demobilised soldiers into civilian life.

2. It has been reported that, whereas Partisans are given considerable assistance, either of a financial nature or in the form of clothing, when they return to their homes, the Italian soldier, upon discharge is experiencing great difficulty in being able to obtain coupons for colthing etc., for example, it is reported that in TURIN there is no office which will recognise these ex soldiers of the Italian Army or which has knowledge of the documents given to ex soldiers of the Italian Army for the purpose of obtaining special subsidies as provided by the Ministry of the Interior. This is only one of many examples which bring the Army into dis--repute.

3. Such shortcomings are used by agitators and subver- - sive elements to strengthen their propaganda against the Army and those who control it, and tend generally to increase the disciplinary and other difficulties with which you are already faced.

4. It is considered that it is a responsibility of the Italian Army Welfare Service to look after the discharged soldier during the period immediately following his release in order to ensure that his return to civilian life is made as simple as possible; a section of the Italian Welfare

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5. It is further considered that any arrangements made should be made known through "LA PATRIA" in order that soldiers being discharged will know what arrangements have been made for their return to civilian life.

6. Close liaison will be necessary with other Ministries concerned if comprehensive and effictive action is to be succ--essful.

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7. Please advise me of your decision and progress in this matter.

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT : Italian Army Welfare
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(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A.245.
20 June'45.

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Ufficio assistenza

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EIGHTH ARMY=WELFARE SERVICE=
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24th June 1945.

Subject:Weekly report.

To Lt.Col.FLETCHER A.D.A. W.S. =Rear HQ= C.M.F.

Copy to:

Major CAREW HUNT =M.M.I.A.=Rear HQ.8th Army= C.M.F.

Lt.Col.BEAUCHERT =P.W.B.=Main HQ.= C.M.F.

Senior Welfare Officer 86 Area C.M.F.

26 JUN 1945

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ARMATA = UFFICIO ASSISTENZA
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nº 24 di prot. P.M., li 24 giugno 1945

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OGGETTO: Rapporto settimanale.

AL TENCOLONNELLO FLETCHER A.D.A. W.S. REAR HQ. C.M.F.
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Elisa Rossi Passavanti

IL CAPO DEL SERVIZIO ASSISTENZA
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- I. F. A. HQ. -
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n.158/R.P. di prot. P.M.16,li 21 Giugno 1945

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

n.04720/BS di prot. Roma, 10 giugno 1945

OGGETTO : - Colonnello Elia Rossi Passavanti.=

A 158 R.P. 16-6-945

AL LAND SUB COMMISSIONE A.C. (M.M.I.A.) WELFAR

= R O M A =

e, per conoscenza :

AL COMANDANTE DELLA 228^ DIVISIONE POSTA MILITARE 16

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A seguito del foglio n.04587/BS. in data 6 giugno, informasi che S.E. il Ministro della Guerra ha disposto che il Colonnello Elia ROSSI PASSAVANTI sia collocato in congedo.=

P. C. C.
IL CAPO SEZ. PERS. E DI SEGRETERIA
(Ten. Col. A. Paltrinieri)

IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA
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Urgente

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Al maggiore CAREW HUNT M.M.I.A.=Rear HQ.8th Army

C.M.F.

con la viva preghiera di voler portare a conoscenza del comando del= l'Ottava Armata quanto segue:

I. Un soldato di carattere preferirebbe una mutilazione in combattimento anzi zicché dover scrivere di questioni così delicate ed intime.Il Colonello PASSAVANTI,mutilato tre volte nella guerra 1915 =1918 la prefirerebbe.

2. Il generale TOMASELLI,comandante la 228 Divisione,nel comunicare ieri, 24/6/45,al colonello PASSAVANTI il provvedimento del Ministero della Guerra nei supi riguardi gli ha dimostrato tutto il suo rammarico.

3. Il Generale TOMASELLI conosce da lungo tempo il colonello PASSAVANTI,già capo ufficio assistenza nelle armate di S.A. Reale il PRINCIPE di PIEMONTE, per averlo avuto ai suoi ordini e ne ha sempre seguita,controllata ed apprez= zata l'opera.

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5. Il provvedimento preso a danno del Colonello PASSAVANTI,senza motivazione e senza aver dato a lui la possibilità di difesa o di chiarimenti scalza il fondamento della disciplina e della subordinazione.

6. Il provvedimento preso senza voler neppure attendere il passaggio in AUSTRIA dell'Ottava Armata,che pur avrebbe dato una parvenza di normalità, fa pensare di chi sa quali reati il colonello PASAVANTI si sia macchiato.

7. La vita del colonello PASSAVANTI sta a dimostrare ininterrottamente che egli non venne mai meno al suo giuramento di soldato fedele al suo RE.

8. Di questo suo irreprensibile comportamento ne danno atto undici ricompen= se al valore militare e sei ferite,il periodo clandestino,la commissione di discriminazione del Regio Esercito,legalmente istituita,il suo richiamo in servizio e le ampie lodi del Generale TAMASSIA,direttore generale dell'Ufficio Benessere del Soldato e le infinite manifestazioni di affetto di tutti i sol= dati che ebbe l'onore di comandare e di assistere.

9. Il Colonello PASSAVANTI non potrà pensare né penserà mai che le attesta= zioni di stima e di affetto accordategli dai comandi e dagli ufficiali in= glesi possano essere state fatte senza ponderazione e convinzione.

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l'Ottava Armata quarto segue.

I. Un soldato di carattere preferirebbe una mutilazione in combattimento anzicché dover scrivere di questioni così delicate ed intime. Il Colonello PASSAVANTI, mutilato tre volte nella guerra 1915 =1918 la prefirerebbe.

2. Il generale TOMASELLI, comandante la 228 Divisione, nel comunicare ieri, 24/6/45, al colonello PASSAVANTI il provvedimento del Ministero della Guerra nei suoi riguardi gli ha dimostrato tutto il suo rammarico.

3. Il Generale TOMASELLI conosce da lungo tempo il colonello PASSAVANTI, già capo ufficio assistenza nelle armate di S.A. Reale il PRINCIPE di PIEMONTE, per averlo avuto ai suoi ordini e ne ha sempre seguita, controllata ed apprezzata l'opera.

4. Il provvedimento preso a carico del Colonello PASSAVANTI rafforza nell'animo del soldato il convincimento che quando il pericolo cessa tutto si dimentica e tutto è possibile.

5. Il provvedimento preso a danno del Colonello PASSAVANTI, senza motivazione e senza aver dato a lui la possibilità di difesa o di chiarimenti scalza il fondamento della disciplina e della subordinazione.

6. Il provvedimento preso senza voler neppure attendere il passaggio in AUSTRIA dell'Ottava Armata, che pur avrebbe dato una parvenza di normalità, fa pensare di chi sa quali reati il colonello PASAVANTI si sia macchiato.

7. La vita del colonello PASSAVANTI sta a dimostrare ininterrottamente che egli non venne mai meno al suo giuramento di soldato fedele al suo RE.

8. Di questo suo irreprensibile comportamento ne danno atto undici ricompense al valore militare e sei ferite, il periodo clandestino, la commissione di discriminazione del Regio Esercito, legalmente istituita, il suo richiamo in servizio e le ampie lodi del Generale TAMASSIA, direttore generale dell'Ufficio Benessere del Soldato e le infinite manifestazioni di affetto di tutti i soldati che ebbe l'onore di comandare e di assistere.

9. Il Colonello PASSAVANTI non potrà pensare né penserà mai che le attestazioni di stima e di affetto accordategli dai comandi e dagli ufficiali inglesi possano essere state fatte senza ponderazione e convinzione.

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IO. La lettera Rear HQ.8th ARMY C.M.F.,tel.Ext.210 .R.5635/2A Apr.45,che investe il colonello PASSAVANTI,gia capo ufficio assistenza della 228 Divisione,delle funzioni di capo ufficio dell'assistenza di tutta l'Armata,rimane documento probatorio che trascende il tempo e lo spazio.

II. Il colonello PASSAVANTI tiene a confermare per iscritto che il ricordo della lealtà e del carattere degli ufficiali inglesi,in questo scorcio di guerra combattuta insieme non potrà venir meno neanche di fronte a una palese ingiustizia.

I2. Il Colonello PASSAVANTI si tiene fin da ora a disposizione dell'ottava Armata per tutto quanto possa occorrere da lui per il ristabilimento della situazione nella legalità.

Udine 25/6/45

Elia Rossi Passavanti

COL.ELIA ROSSI PASSAVANTI.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

SUBJECT:- Welfare Officer - Italian Tps

A. Rear Eighth Army.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comm. AC, (M.M.I.A.), R Q M E, Welfare, Rear Eighth Army.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC, (M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
27 June 45

Col. MILA ROSSI PASSAVANTI

Ref your letter R 5635/2A dated 11 Apr 45, not to all, which laid down the duties of this offr on his appt as Italian Welfare Liaison Offr att this HQ.

1. The Ministry of War have placed Col PASSAVANTI on the retired list; their letter 04720/28 dated 10 June refers. MS MMLA ROME under reference A 302 dated 21 June have instructed the Ministry to suspend their decision because the disposal of all offrs of the rank of Col and above must first be referred to HQ MMLA with a recommendation from the Allied Commander concerned.

2. Procedure for making such a report is laid down in MMLA letter A 020 dated 23 Mar, para 5; I would be grateful if I may be furnished with three copies of whatever recommendation is made.

3. I am prepared at any time to give you an account of Col PASSAVANTI's welfare activities and a personal estimate of his efficiency. Ref(b) this HQ inform me that there is NO security objection to Col PASSAVANTI continuing his work here and I strongly recommend that he should not be replaced as it would be difficult to find an adequate substitute and untimely to make a change in a major appt concurrently with the passage of this HQ to AUSTRIA. Continuity of method is essential if Italian Welfare is to survive the transfer of its supervision from Eighth Army.

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Major,
MMLA IO, Rear Eighth Army.

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Italian Liaison Officer 26 JUN 1945

Subyect:Materials request. Venice 22nd June 1945

To Col. I. NOAKES
H.Q.M.M.I .A. C.M?F.

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Venezia 22/6/945

Al Colonnel I. NOKES

H.Q.M.M.I.A. C.M.F.

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Rear HQ. Eighth Army C.M.F.

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30 Paia guanti bianchi

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I00 Kg Stracci asciuga stoviglie e posaterie

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Subject:- Welfare - Italian Forces.

Main HQ Eighth Army, CMF

Tel Ext : 3/70/71

M 2931/2 AQ

25 June 45

26 JUN 1945

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Liaison Office,
Land For s Sub.C m.AC,
(MMI),
Rear 1 ,Eighth Army.

291 F.S.Section,
C.M F.
25 un 45.

29 JUN 1945

Subject:-Welfare -Italian Troops.

Reference your MM/119 dated 29 Jun 45. There appears to be some error in the dates of your letter, consequently we are unable to advise the Italian Units under our command as to the date of their vacancies.This letter was received in this office today,25 Jun and the vacancy for 51/ Gruppo Autonomo Guardia, under our command, is shown as 23 Jun.Could you therefore please forward an ammended date also state whether the vacancies or " 3 NCO's and men" means six soldiers in all or three only.

CSM for Lieut.

O. i/c 291 Field Security Section.

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COMANDO 228° DIVISIONE
I. F. A. HQ.
Ufficio Assistenza

12 JUL 1945

P.M.I6, li 30/6/1945

PROMEMORIA PER IL SIGNOR MAGGIORE B.G. CAREW HUNT
M.M.I.A. L.O. REAR HQ. 8th ARMY

Per opportuna conoscenza si comunica quanto segue:

Itinerario del Cinema Mobile

DATA		
30/6	= 4° Compagnia	MEOLO
I/7	= 2I0° Compagnia	NOVENTA DI PIAVE
2/7	= I56° "	PAMPALUNA
3/7/	= I59° "	VILLA VICENTINA
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Questo itinerario é stato fatto in maniera che il Cinema Mobile vada a visitare i reparti dislocati nei luoghi più disagiati e dove non vi é possibilità di trovare Sale di proiezioni civili.

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28/6	- a Treviso	- 204° Compagnia
30/6	- a Malcontento	- 252° Gruppo Salmerie
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3/7/	= 159° "	VILLA VICENTINA
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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE = I.P.A. dQ. =
Ufficio Assistenza

nº 1593/4 bis/Ass. di prot. Posta Mil.16,li 14 Giugno 1945.=

OGGETTO :- Turni di affluenza alla "Casa di soggiorno per Sottufficiali e truppa" di Venezia.=

A TUTTI REPARTI DIPENDENTI = LORO SEDI =

(Diramazione estesa fino ai Comandi di Btg.)

e,per conoscenza :-

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Tutti i militari dovranno essere muniti di viveri per i giorni di viaggio e dovranno essere accompagnati da una bassa di passaggio in sussistenza al Distaccamento Plotone Comando 405ºRgt.Pionieri = P.K. 16 = per i 7 giorni di licenza.=

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28 JN 1945

28ª DIVISIONE I.F.A.HQ.
Vice Comando

N. 4059/1/V di prot. F.M. 16, li 27 giugno 1945

OGGETTO: Proiezioni cinema sonoro.Mobile della 228ª Div. I.F.A.HQ. =

AL LIAISON OFFICER, LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
c/o/ Rear HQ, Eighth Army . MM/104

Il Cinema Mobile della 228ª Divisione ha eseguito le seguenti proiezioni:
- Giorno 18 giugno: presso Comando 405° Reggimento Pionieri dintorni di Mestre;
- Giorno 20 giugno :presso 239 e 241ª Compagnia in Udine;
- Giorno 21 giugno: presso 297 e 303ª Compagnia x di Bagnaria Arsa e Campolonghetto;
- Giorno 22 giugno: presso 302ª Compagnia a Paderno;
- Giorno 23 e 24 giugno: presso 303 e 297ª Compagnia di Bagnaria Arsa e Campolonghetto;
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- Giorno 26 giugno: presso la 237ª Compagnia Gemona.=

Oggi il cinema mobile é ritornato a Padova per rifornirsi di carboni di proiezione e di pellicole e poscia ritornerà in zona per effettuare proiezioni alle compagnie dislocate a Colloredo di Prato a Villa Vicentina a San Giorgio di Nogaro x Aquileia di San Vito e Ugovizza (Tarvisio) .Farò conoscere le date di queste proiezioni.=

IL [illegible] VICE COMANDANTE
(A. Bruno)

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ITALIAN ARMY WELFARE SERVICE.

Italian Liason Officer.

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Nº 22 di prot.
Subject: Weekly report.

To Lt.Col.FIELDMAN.=A.D.A. W.S.=Rear HQ. C.M.F.

Copy to:
Major Capt. HUNT.=A.M.I.A. Rear HQ. Eight Army. C.M.F.

Lt.Col.BROWCHESTER.=P.W.B.=Main HQ.
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To :Lt.Col.-P.W.A.M.G.-A.F.H.Q. -S.-Near H.Q.

C.M.F.

Copy to:
Major Caron Hunt.-P.W.I.A. Rear HQ. Eight Army.

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11. The cinema exerts a decisive action on the sensible soul of the italians.

12. Therefore I think that the films' problem deserves a special attention.

13. In the interest of the discipline it is necessary that the families now occupying some flats of the "Casa Plateo"find accomodation elsewhere.

14. Many italian soldiers have rejoiced at the news of the setting up of the allied military governement at TRIESTE and are gratefull to England for her intervention.

15. Officers and ORs will be informed about the war against JAPAN and are willing to partecipate to it.

16. Many think that ENGLAND will see in this partecipation a proof of the good will of the italian people for a more and more intimate union with Her.

17th June 1945

Elio Rossi Passaventi

The Chief of the welfare service
for italian troops of the 8th Arm

(Col.Elia Rossi Passaventi)

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EIGHTH ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
Italian Liaison Officer

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; Ufficio Assistenza

19 JUN 1945

Posta Militare 16, li 18.giugno.945.-

PROMEMORIA PER IL SIG. MAGG. CAREW - HUNT.-

OGGETTO:- Rappresentazioni cinematografiche.-

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- DIVIETO DI SOSTA -

Nelle giornate da martedi - 19 corr. - al 25 giugno l'auto-cinema sarà ad Udine a disposizione del Vice Comando 228^ Divisione, per proiettare per i soldati di quelle zone i seguenti films:

- DIVIETO DI SOSTA -
- LA VITA TORNA -
- L'AVVENTURIERO DEL PIANO DI SOPRA -
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I.P.A. HQ -

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Ten. Col. Beauchenet - A.M.G.O. Area [illegible]
Senior Welfar Service - 86 Area

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IL CAPO DEL SERVIZIO ASSISTENZA
ALLE TRUPPE ITALIANE DELL'8° ARMATA
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Elio Rossi Passaventi

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MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (Originator): MLIA TO REAR EIGHTARMY

Date - Time of Origin: 141000 B

For Action:
22D DIV PADUA
ADV 2SC DIV UDINE (BY HAND)

TO

(W) For Information (SIC):
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Q(MOV) REAR EIGHTARMY (BY HAND)

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Originator's No.: MM 617 (.) RESTRICTED (.) wef 13 June LA PATRIA arrives daily as follows by Flight 313 ex FLORENCE (.) CAMPOFORMIDO 600 copies 1105 hrs (.) TREVISO 2800 copies 1250 hrs incl 1600 for CREMONA 100 (.) addressee will collect from 61 Staging Post at airfields concerned

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FROM MOV FLORENCE 121100B

TO (1) MOV REAR 8 ARMY (2) MMIA LO 8 ARMY

INFO (3) 15 ARMY GROUP (4) AFHQ CITE FHGDM

GR 90

13 JUN 1945

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SUBJECT:- Welfare - Italian Tps

Welfare, Rear Eighth Army

Copy to: A Main Eighth Army.
& Rear Eighth Army.
DDL Rear Eighth Army.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
13 June 45

With reference to Brig. Stayner's letter M 2917 AQ dated 17 Mar to Gen. Tomaselli and my letter MM/119 dated 23 Apr to Corps and BLOs.

1. I feel that the time is fast approaching when Eighth Army may have to sever its connection with all Italian tps remaining in ITALY and also withdraw, of necessity, the support which has been so generously given to Italian Welfare during the past four months.

2. Gen. Tomaselli and Col. Passavanti have both spoken to me recently on the subject; they are both of the opinion that if the break is soon to come, it were better for it to come now so that they can take over control and adjust themselves to new conditions.

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5. These recommendations are not made because it is desired to cut short what has been a most helpful partnership, but because the break is inevitable in the near future and I am anxious that all concerned should have clear-cut definition of their responsibilities before that day comes.

6. May I please be kept informed of whatever recommendation you make to DA & QMG Eighth Army?

B. G. Lauenstein
Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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TO:- 15 ARMY GP

INFO:- REAR 8ARMY MOV FLORENCE

FROM:- AFHQ FX 89770 081527B

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FROM 15. ARMY GROUP 071430B

TO FREEDOM CITE ENGINE

INFO: RHIA LO REAR EIGHTH ARMY

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FOLLOWING PARAPHRASE RHIA LO REAR 8 ARMY

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8 JUN 1945

EIGHTH ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
Italian Liaison Offic

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No. 19. 119 Venice, 4th June 1945.

SUBJECT:- Weekly report.

To Lt. Col. FLETCHER - A.D.A.W.S. - Rear - H.Q. C.M.F.

Copy to Major Carew Hunt - M.M.I.A. - Rear H.Q. Eighth Army C.M.F.

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13°- On the 3rd June has been opened in the soldiers house of Venice the cinema.=

14°- This branch so important for soldiers education needs great cares.=

15°- ~~TRANSMISSION~~.It seems necessary that the P.W.B., which in passed time has so good contributed for the fonctionning of the soldiers cinema, should give to the Army Welfare all the support for having the possibility of a regular and prompt hire of films to be drawn in the nearest centre.=

16°- On Wednesday will begin to arrive at the rest camp of the Lido 25 pioneers of the 228° Italian Division and on Thurdday will arrive other 25 soldiers of the Cremone on leave for seven days.=

Elia Rossi Passavanti

TH CHIEF OF THE WELFARE SERVICE
FOR ITALIAN TROOPS OF THE EIGHTH ARMY
(Col. Elia Rossi Passavanti)

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SUBJECT:- Welfare - Italian Tps

HQ 86 (Army) Area.
HQ 201 Sub Area.
HQ 18 Pnr Gp.
HQ 61 Pnr Gp.
HQ 64 Pnr Gp.
HQ 108 Pnr Gp.
GSI(b), Main Eighth Army.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MI/119
20 June 45

Copy to: Rear HQ, 13 Corps.
Vice Comando, 228 Div, UDINE.
DDL, Rear Eighth Army.
Welfare, Rear Eighth Army.

1. The following infm regarding Welfare facilities available to Italian tps u/c Eighth Army is forwarded so that units under your command can be notified quickly and know what is going on.

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Major,
MMLA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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SUBJECT:- Welfare Offr - Italian Tps

HA AMG, Main Eighth Army.	Liaison Officer, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC, (M.M.I.A.), c/o Rear HA. Eighth Army.
Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comm. AC, (M.M.I.A.). 2 C M E. GSI(b), Main Eighth Army. Welfare, Rear Eighth Army.	MM/119 19 June 45

Ref your QA/ITAM dated 17 June 45 (not to all).

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HEADQUARTERS
LIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
EIGHTH ARMY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

SUBJECT : Welfare Offr for Italian Tps.

OA/ITALY.

MMIA.LO, Eighth Army.

17 Jun 45.

Copy to: HQ Allied Commission,
RC AMG VENEZIE Region.

1. It has been reported to this HQ that there is considerable unrest among the local population in the employment of an Italian named PARAVACHINI by Eighth Army as Welfare Officer for Italian Troops.

2. This man is alleged to be a notorious Fascist and if this fact is so his continued employment by the Allies might be considered undesirable. PARAVACHINI is at present working and living in the Monaco Hotel, VENICE.

3. Will you please look into this matter and let us have an answer as to what action is considered desirable at your earliest convenience.

Major,
for Air Commodore,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.G. EIGHTH ARMY.

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TO (MOV) REAR EIGHTARMY

(Ad For Information Only)

Message Instructions

Originator's No.

(MOV) 15 ARMY GROUP ref 5045/7/A(FS) dated 4 June 45.

MM 603 (.) RESTRICTED (.) requested this daily six lts 12x18ins newspapers may be bld for wef 7 June ex FLORENCE as follows (.) TRIVIO 113 lbs (.) CAMPOFORMIDO 24 lbs

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SUBJECT:- Italian Newspapers

HQ 15 Army Group

Tel:- FOXGLOVE 226

5045/7/A(PS)

1 Jun 45

- 6 JUN 1945

Italian Liaison Mission to
HQ 15 Army Group.

Copy to:- Q(Mov).
Rear HQ EIGHTH Army for MMLA LO.
(without attachment)

1. Forwarded herewith is a copy of a letter from MMLA, LO HQ EIGHTH Army, reference MM/119 dated 31 May 45.

2. Flight 307 no longer goes to VENICE or UDINE. The only suitable Flight is now 313 leaving FLORENCE at 1140 hrs, arriving TREVISO (for VENICE) at 1250 hrs and CAMPO FORMIDO (for UDINE) at 1405 hrs.

3. Please arrange for the papers to be delivered to FLORENCE Airport by 1100 hrs daily and notify Q(Movements) this HQ the date on which this method of distribution can commence and the approximate weight of the package for each destination.

4. Arrangements are being made by Q(Movements) with the Airport for this freight to be carried pending receipt of an Air Lift Order from AFHQ.

5. For MMLA LO, HQ EIGHTH ARMY. It is requested that an application be submitted through normal channels to AFHQ for daily air lift.

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Brigadier,
DA & QMG.

weight 2 lbs for 500 newspapers
2 lbs for 50

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SUBJECT:- [redacted]

A. 1 Army Gp.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.T.L.O.),
c/o Rear H.Q., Eighth Army.

Copy to: A. Rear Eighth Army.
(Mov), Rear Eighth Army.
HQ SAS Dir.
SI B.L.O.

MIL/120
31 May 45

1. A daily newspaper for Italian use, "La Patria," is printed and published in FLORENCE and has for some time past met readers Italian use with Eighth Army owing to difficulty of communications.

2. I would be most grateful if you could ask your Italian Liaison Staff to arrange its distribution, labelling and delivery by air as follows, by flights 307 leaving FLORENCE at 1330 hrs daily.

3. Addressees	No. of Copies	To Airfield	E.T.A.
AGV HQ, 230 Div	600	CAMPOMORICIO	1545 hrs
230 Div *	2,800	TREVISO	1655 hrs

* Incl 1,000 copies for CREMONA I.C.O.

4. Will you please let me know when this method of delivery can start to operate?

Major.
MIL LO, Rear Eighth Army

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TO: MMIA 19 MAY 1945 119
Rear HQ. Eighth Army

After all the bombs I
sent to ii Florence to fix
this up, it is disappointing
to find Florence Command
sending this signal to the
wrong place.

MMIA LO
Brit. Sec. Fifth Army Rear

16 May 45

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TO: 8th Army

For Action: BRITISH INCREMENT (MMIA LO) REAR HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY + MDLS

(X) For Information (INFO)

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GHTH ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
Italian Liaison Officer

Venice, 20th May 1945

SUBJECT:-Weekly report from Italian Army Welfare Service at 8° Army.

No.15.=

To:- Lt.Col. FLETCHER & A.D.A.W.S. - Rear - H.Q.
Eighth Army = C.M.F. .

Copy to:- Major Carew Hunt - W.M.I.A. = L.O.
Rear H.Q. - 8° Army C.M.F.

Lt.Col.BEAUCHESTR - P.W.B. - Main H.Q.
Eighth Army C.M.F.

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9°- No incident occurred during these patriotical entertainments.=

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10°- Somebody believes that it would be better to open in Venice a canteen for the patriots and partigians only and reserve the soldiers canteen for soldiers only because the separation would be more practical.=

11°+ Next Monday the situation will be cleared with all possible tact.

12°- For the Officer transit and leave Hotel (Albgergo Monaco - Venice) for that W.R.'s and O.R.'s (Albergo Guardamare - Lido Venice) and for the soldiers canteen (Hotel Vittoria - Venice) the necessary personal contacts with the interested military commandos have been taken.=

13°- In accordance with Gen.Tomaselli we have assured the food for the future, the administration, the management and the control of the above mentioned canteens.=

14°- It has also been agreed that when necessary the decided and agreed rules will be reexamined.=

15°- Necessary contacts with the local P.W.B. have been taken in order to provide the above mentioned canteens and soldiers cinema with with newspapers, films and news reals.=

16°- British H.Q. and S.A.F.A.M.I. have given all their collaboration.

Elia Rossi Passavanti

The Colonel Chief of the Eighth
Army Welfare Service for Italian Troops
(Col. Elia Rossi Passavanti)

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ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
Italian Liaison Officer

C.M.F.

Venice, 25th May 1945.

No. 18.

Read 1 June.

Subject:- Weekly report.

To 1t.Col. Fletcher - A.D.A.W.S. - Rear - H.Q. C.M.F.

Copy to Major Carew Hunt - M.M.I.A. - Rear H.Q. - Eighth Army C.M.F.

Lt.Col. Beauchertr - P.W.B. Main H.Q. C.M.F.

1- During the last seven days, both the soldiers and the officers transit and leave hotel in Venice become more comfortable.=

2- After meetings and visits to the place with the intervention of Duchess Visconti, it has been agreed with the allied interested officers that the soldiers house at the Lido will be fixed at the Villa Margherita, Count Marzotto's property.=

3- This house will be opened next week.=

4- All possible care has been taken so that the above house will be as much comfortable as possible.=

5- Soldiers have great appreciated that the house will be opened next week on the order of the eighth Army Comando, which has given all possible assistance.=

6- The seven days which the soldiers will spent at Villa Margherita at the Lido Venice, have to be considered as a good conduct prize, in order to induce soldiers to do their best in the future.=

7- Administrative rules for the function of the soldiers canteen, officers transit and leave hotel and soldiers house at the Lido are under study.=

8- An officer has been appointed for the management of each of the above houses and they received all necessary instructions.=

9- Another officer has been appointed for the administrative control and with him has been discussed the best method to use and he received necessary instructions.=

10- These rules easy and practicals, have been discussed with the interested comandos.=

11- As soon as the rules will be definitely agreed and approved by all interested a copy will be given each to the officers who have the management of the above mentioned institutions and to the administrative officer.=

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12- Management of the three institutions began and will prosecute with staff detached by the 228° Division I.F.A..= This staff was personally choised by General Tomaselli because he is responsible for the administration and management of said institutions, towards the War Ministry.=

13- If any difficulty may arise in the application of the rules, they will be immediately corrected.=

14- All the citizens of Venice has given a great demonstration of affect to our soldiers.=

15- In agreement with the chiefs of the patriot brigades of Venice it has been decided to limit the number of patriots who each day are allowed to enter the soldiers house.= It has been agreed to fix this number in 200.= A special invitation card has been prepared and given to them in order to avoid misunderstanding.

16- As soon as in Venice will be opened the patriots house, the enter to the soldiers house will be allowed to soldiers only.

17- The S.E.P.R.A.L. has provided to assign necessary foods and victuals for making cakes to sell to the patriots when entering the soldiers house during this short time.=

18- The patriots situation in Venice was very delicate in connection with the soldiers house and it was necessary therefore to prevent and try to reach the best results for the future.=

19- Every possible care is taken so that italian soldiers may pass their free time in a healty and peaceful atmosphere.=

The Chief of the Welfare Service
for italian troops of the eighth Army
(Col. Elia Rossi Passaventi)

Elia Rossi Passaventi

A Venezia hanno sede presentemente 8 ditte del P.N.F.:

Duchessa	Visenti
Ditta	Vecchio
Conte	Alberton
"	Lunardi
Ditta	Esclapon
"	Scaramboni
"	Favaretti
"	Lucchini

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Propone:

a Venezia (vigilanza abbazia Murano e Sala riunioni)	1
al Lido (vigilanza casa soggiorno turistico)	1
alla 228 divisione (per oro a Mestre) e cancelleria milizia	2
al gruppo Chiesa (per dare il n° previsto di 3)	1
	2

Esuberanti.

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Balli? o meglio Le - uno alla settimana Sala 17 alle 20?

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Contessa Alberton
" Lunardi
Lynna Esclapon
" Scarambon
" Tavasci
" Lorenzin

Proprie:

A Venezia (Inglesina abbr. Monaco e Sala retro) 1
Al Lido (Inglese casa soprain trasp) 1
Alle 228 Reine (per oro a Mestre) é cantina nobile 2
Al prop. Cremona (per dare il n° permut + 3) 1

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TO:- MMIA
info CG FIFTH ARMY (for BRIT INCR) MAIN EIGHTH ARMY

FROM:- 15 ARMY GP SGS 403 19 MAY 1945

Your A.134 of 11 NOT to all. Authy is granted for visit of ITALIAN Director of Welfare to ARMY areas. He should report to REAR HQ of ARMIES concerned before visiting areas. For FIFTH ARMY only. Your 634/5943 of 14 refers. For EIGHTH ARMY only. Your AQ297 of 03 refers

(ELS)

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SUBJECT:- Italian ps - Morale.

"A" Main Eighth Army.

Copy to: Welfare, Rear Eighth Army.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm, AC,
(M.M.I.A.).
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/419
17 May 45

1. From my contact with Italian fmns I know there is an intense pride amongst both Combat and Service tps of having served with Eighth Army, especially perhaps amongst the latter.

2. Equally, there is a feeling that as fmns and units pass from under comd Eighth Army, all association with the Army is severed unless some tangible evidence of it remains.

3. It is, therefore, recommended that

(a) permission be granted to units of 228 Div to wear the Army flash; they have in fact worked as "Army tps",
(b) some form of recognition to the individual soldier be given in the shape of a written certificate after the same style as those issued to Partisans on their disbandment.

4. The latter idea is un-English but if there are no radical objections to its adoption, the possession of such a document would appeal enormously to the Italian and be of both moral and material value to him in the future.

5. May I please have your views?

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
Italian Liaison Officer

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No. 14/I.U. May. 13th 1945

SUBJECT:- Weekly Report.=

To

Lt.Col. FLETCHER A.D.A.W.I.
Rear - H.Q. = C. M. F.

Copy to:-

Major B.G. CAREW - HUNT
M.M.I.A. Liaison Officer C. M. F.

Lt.Col. BRAUCHBAR P.W.B. Main H.Q.
Eighth Army C.M. F.

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5.- Once more it has been repeated that all soldiers are obliged to have their uniforms in perfect order.=

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7.- During the discussion it has appeared that soldiers would appreciate very much if the Commander in Chief of the Eighth Army would kindly study the possibility to give them the distinctive of the Eighth Army.=

8.- It would be very much appreciated that all releases, permits and licenses may be effected by cars in order to avoid long walking and waiting in consideration of the fact that very little is the

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provided for an hotel for officers and a canteen for soldiers in Venice.=

10;- Monday 14th May the above said organisations will be opened at the Hotel Monaco and at the Hotel Vittoria in Venice.=

11.- Above said organisations will be directed by the managers of the hotels under the control of the S.A.F.A.M.I. and the Welfare Office for the italian troops of the Eighth Army.=

12.- Very important has resulted on this occasion the collaboration of Major Carew-Hunt and of Capt. Campbell.=

13.- I have given particular interest to create personally relations with all Authorities and all institutions of Venice so that they should give to our soldiers the best welfare.= Civil people of Venice will concurr in this work.=

14.- It would be of the greatest interest for the Welfare Service to know the new displacement of the italian Unity.=

15.- Everithing which has been and will be made in the important branch of welfare will represent a true engagement for remember to the future the value of the Eighth Army.=

Elia Rossi Passaventi

(Col. Elia Rossi - Passaventi)

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Army Welfare Service
Italian Liaison Officer

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Subject: Weekly report from Italian Army Welfare Officer at 8°Army

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W To: Lt Col Fletcher A.D.A.W.S. Rear H.Q. Eighth Army C.M.F.

Copy to : Major B.C.Carew Hunt M.M.I.A. L.O. Rear H.Q. 8°Army CMF

Copy to : Lt Col Beauclerk P.W.B. Main H.Q. Eighth Army C.M.F.

With the sudden evenctualities which have occured this week, it is very necessary to give a greater assistance to the Italian troops. Units and H.Q.s have been continually visited, and action has been taken so as to follow Units in all there movements.
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In this way we may beseech the danger lest men, that have fought or however operated with the Eighth Army,may fall in the hands of anarchist elements.
This form of assistance might have wide possibilities with due provisions,baring juridical value, to ensure the greatest help.

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This form of assistance will ensure men released from the Army an equal distribution of work and will facilitate all productive activities providing tools necessary for increment of agricolture, artisan craft, fishing ect.L.

This would put a stop to many serious preoccupations.

Once this question has been settled and approved, it is our intention to continue this organisation wich may undergo modifications as the necessities occureeven after the war.

this program should be carried out in agreement with Religious and Civilian Authorities and private citizensto have the best result.

I believe that a Certificate, given to each Italian soldier in the Eighth Army when all his army duties are over, signed by the General Army Commander would be highly considered in it's significance to mantain and strengthen the faith in a better free world in an adaptable common welth.

Col. Passavanti

Army Welfare Service I.L.O.

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Subject Staging Centers

Present situation of Centers to date May 8th 1945

1. Cesena
Forlì
Faenza
Ravenna
Imola
Ferrara

} All functioning + efficiently

2 Cervia Rest Camps + Bathing Beach. functioning

3 New Centers will be provided for Fourth - Cremona Folgore + 228 Div. as soon as the line moves forward.

4 Centers at Pesaro + Rimini will continue to work indefinately

5 Small Reconstruction Centers are established in Adria - Dozza - Arnaldi for Local Groups

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Ravenna
Imola
Ferrara

2 Cervia Rest Camps & Bathing Beach. ~~Jan 1945~~

3 Some Canteens will be provided for Trucks - Cremona Folgore & 228 Div. as soon as the line moves forward.

4 Canteens at Pesaro & Rimini will continue & work indefinately

5 Small Distribution Canteens are established in Adria - Dozza - Arnaldi for Comb. Groups

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TO MNLA ROME

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OPR 520 RESTRICTED (.) ref your A 245 of 27 apr and A 109 of 03 (.) divs reporting before 8 may

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(W) For Information (INFO)

Col HASBAJARTI
A PURS REAR ECHELON } AC HARD

Originator's No.

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AC DIV RECEIVED (.) COLLECT COPIES OF LA MAMIA AS FOLLOWS (.)
SC DIV 1600 PWR AND PURSE (.) SA DIV 1600 PWR AND
PURSAH (.) SC DIV 1600 PWR AND PURSE (.) TSC DIV ASAP
PWR AND PURSE (.) MAIL TO 5 COPIES SOC PWR AND PURSAH
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MMIA L.C. 9 H.Q. Base 3rd Army

Subject:- Canteens.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/27/3

May 45.

ALL MMIA L.C.s.

1. Attached for your information is a copy of this H.Q. letter Q/1/35-3 of 24 April to the Ministry of War.

2. The administration of canteens run within formation areas will be the responsibility of the Adm. Division concerned under the supervision of the Allied H.Q.

3. The Ministry of War will issue the necessary instructions on the method of accounting.

4. See also this H.Q. letter Q/27/3 of 9 Apr. a copy of which was sent to all MMIA L.C.s.

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R.A. CURTIES, Lt.Col.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Copy sent to 228 & 2 L.Cs

Spare Q.

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HARR V MERU 03/695 IMPORTANT QVR 2

FROM MMIA 031609B

TO REAR HQ 5 ARMY : REAR HQ 8 ARMY

GR 28 DT

REF A109.FOR MMIA LO. REFERENCE OUR LETTER A215 OF 27 APRIL.AND SIGNAL 99A OF 29 APRIL.REQUEST INFORMATION RE PROVISION OF 6 DRIVERS ITALIAN MOBILE CANTEENS AND ETA RONE

ET 031609B

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TO 15 ARMY GP

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Army Welfare
Service

Italian Liaison Officer

Posta Militare 16,li 27 Aprile 1945.=

Al TEN.COL. F L E T C H E R = A.D.A.W.S.
Rear HQ. - Eighth Army - = C.M.F.=

e,per conoscenza :-

Al Major B.O. C A R E W - H U N T
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Army Welfare Service
Italian liaison officer

Field, april 29 th. 1945.=

Subject :- Viekli report from Italian Army Welfare Officer
Eighth Army.=

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In Ferrara His Excellency The Archbishop,awaare of the importanc of the assistance to the troops,has assured he will consolidate all that ha been discussed and estimated.

The same week the three mobile Canteens of the Combat Groups "Cremona" - "Friuli" - and "Folgore",have entered regular service.

Expected is the Mobile Canteen for the 228 Division,which has a considerable number of troops whose accomplished work,that has been praised shall certainly be more profitable.

The "Friuli" group?following the example of the 228 Division,col laborates,with great ideas,with the S.A.F.A.M.I. -

Care shall be taken so that the S.A.F.A.M.I. may accomplish a us ful job for the "Folgore" and the "Cremona".

The weekly visit to the wounded and sick men goes on and books,r

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gazines,gift parcels,postcards,sweets and money have been distributed with loving care.

The Combat Groups,favourably impressed by the Mobile Cinema of the 228 Division,now search this instrument of healthy recreation and profitable educational propaganda.

It is not easy to meet all these requests.

The Combat Group "Friuli" should have,to be able to function readily an alternate generator.

It has not been possible to find any such generator.If the 8th Army HQ. wished to consent to our request,the Combat Groups would widely benefit of it.

The Mobile Cinemas may in future meet the needs of all the Italian Troops in the 8th Army.

Many C.O.S. and assistance Officers believe this to be most useful.

The "Sale Ritrovo" always improved and moved most possibly forward shall give,it is believed,very good results.

In order to permit the Mobile Canteens to purchase wine and fruits in other provinces a "Pass" is requested.

For a good working of the assistance it would be necessary to have an interpreter in our office.

For any objection I beg you to call me when you like so that I may tell you the eventual resolutions.

Elia Ros. Passavanti

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A m y W e l f a r e S e r v i c e

I t a l i a n L i a i s o n O f f i c e r

Field, April 30 th 1945.=

Nr. 11/ W.I.

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List of Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to / Requisitioned by: Mrs Sea

From: DDS & Comy Date: 20/3/44

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	ATS. blouse	
	Socks —	6 ✓
	Shirts	6 ✓
	Bollocks	12 ✓
	Shoes (tan)	6 ✓
	Blouse BD —	6 ✓
	Skirts —	6 ✓
	Stockings	6 ✓
	Ties ATS	4 ✓
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ALL SERVICES

List of Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to
Requisitioned by } M.M.I A

From DDOS 8TH ARMY. *Date* 28/3/45

Index (or Ist.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	ATS. BLOUSES	3
	TIES	2.
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Lt Cavenham *Signature*

Maj *Rank* 28/3/45 *Date*

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ALL SERVICES

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Issued to / Requisitioned by [redacted] MAIA

From DDS 8th ARMY *Date* 29/4/45

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	Camp Beds	3

Major Capt. *Signature*

Rank 29.4.45 *Date*

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HARR V LRAR 8508 IMPORTANT QVR2

FROM M M I A 2912008

TO REAR HQ 5 ARMY

REAR HQ 8 ARMY

GR 19 BT

REF NO 99A RESTRICTED (.)

FOR M M I A LO (.) REFER MMIA LETTER A245 OF 27 APRIL (.) PLEASE TREAT AS ACTION COPY TO YOU

BT 291210B

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REPTN 17 8508 14 PIP 2 291200 B 8 19 99A

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SENT GY

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228 Div informed

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SUBJECT: Drivers for Mobile Canteens.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AEAS.
27 Apr'45.

To : Ministry of War

Copies to: Ufficio Benessere del Soldato.
MMIA.L.O. Rear HQ. 8 Army.
" " HQ. 5 Army.

1. With reference to this HQ letter A/11/2 of 23 Feb. /NR. information has been received that the drivers for Mobile Canteens referred to therein are not yet available. It is now two months since the above quoted letter was sent, and it is not understood why these orders have not been carried out.

2. In view of the fact that the three vehicles intended for service with 5 Army will be ready in Rome at the end of this month, HQ. 228 Div. will be instructed to send six (6) drivers to report to the Ministry of War forthwith. They must be ready for duty by the 30th instant.

3. The remaining three vehicles for service with 5 Army will be completed shortly. HQ.210 Div., therefore, will be instructed to despatch immediately six (6) competent and responsible drivers to report to the Ministry of War, by not later than 5 May.

228 Div informed. Drivs ETA Rome first week May

S.P. ARCHER Capt.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

Internals:- Welfare MMIA.

MESSAGE FORM

FROM : main EIGHTARMY 29 2155 B

TO : 15 army gp

Originator's No AG 289

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SUBJECT:- LEAVE - ITALIAN MILITARY

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Rear HQ Eighth Army CMF
Tele Ext 272
R 207 LA

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23 Apr '45

OsC 18, 42, 61, 64, 108 Gps PC (with sufficient copies for distribution to RHQs & Sn HQs)
OsC Brit Cadres Italian Pnr Coys

Copy to ; General TOMASELLI HQ 228 Div.
MMLA LO Rear Eighth Army.

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FROM: MAIN HEDEARMY

TO (ADDRESS): MAIN 5 GROUPS
REAR 10 GROUPS

(INFO) REAR HEDEARMY for MMIA LO

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MMIA (.) authority received from AFHQ for fan nos 1 and 2 Italian Cinematograph Units for Italian Combat Groups (.) understand units already formed and functioning (.) request information soonest if under your command and with which Groups

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FROM REAR POLCORPS 211900B*

TO REAR EIGHTH ARMY

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O 664 REF YOUR Q 721 AC CN FOR CANTEEN

FOR ITALIAN TPS IN IMOLA AVAILABLE

REPRESENTATIVE TO TOWN

MAJOR IN IMOLA

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228 Div Land

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Subject:-weekly report from
Italian Army We are Officer
Eighth army.

ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
ITALIAN LIAISON OFFICER
Field 22 Apr 45

Lt.Col. FLETCHER,-ADAWS-Rear HQ 8 Army C M F

Copy to: Major B.G.CAREW-HUNT, MMIA LO,Rear HQ 8 Army C M F
Lt.Col. BEAUCLERK, P W B, Main HQ 8 Army, C M F

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When conversation was over the Brigadier decided to fix up a new meeting on a.m.Friday,April 27. During this conversation it was clear that the last Italian A.W.S. I.L.O. had delivered neither items nor documents regarding Welfare Branch.

6.- Imola and Castel San Pietro located Units have been visited; 228 Div Mobile Cinema has projected films for Italian units

For the first time our troops in the Front-Line have now a performance.

7.- Together with Capt. W.H.Campbell we have visited Imola for a Italian Canteen organizing.

According with 5 and 10 Corps Welfare Branch,and with 228 Div GOC and Cremona,Friuli Folgore Combat Groups GOCs we have decided to close the Pesaro an Rimini static Canteens,and to begin the running of new ones in othersplaces.

Capt. W.H.Campbell cooperation has been of the uttermost utility.

8.- S.A.F.A.M.I. has received a Mobile Canteen for "Cremona"Combat Group,properly painted and prepared by this HQ,Cesena.

9.- 228 Div GOC on receiving the "Casa Mare" in Cervia has issued immediately orders for a quick starting of the works in the Rest House of the Italian Troops of Eighth Army.

10.- No doubt when we ensure that the importance Brig.Stayner gives to Welfare Service ans the promptness he requests in this weapon using are steadly a guide to our way.

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Elia Rossi Passavanti

(ELIA ROSSI PASSAVANTI) Cal.
A.W.S. ILO

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MESSAGE FORM

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For Action

MNIA ROUR

TO (W) For Information (INFO)

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G3 REAR ECHELON } BY HAND

Office Date Stamp: 29 AUG 45 G-3 AGO

Message Instructions — GR

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Subject:- Officers Shops - Clothing Ration Cards for Italian Women's Services.

Rear HQ Eighth Army
Tel Ext:- 230
ROS 2/7
27 Apr 45

M.M.I.A.,
Rear Eighth Army

Will you please inform this office when the Italian Officers' Mobile Shop commences to operate in Eighth Army Area, also, confirm that all clothing ration cards will be withdrawn from personnel of the Italian Women's Service on that date, and returned to this office for cancellation.

BGCH

Brigadier,
D.L.O.S.

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Subject:- Italian Welfare Worker.

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54 (Br) General Hospital.
M/C/1. 22 Apr 45.

A.D.M.S.,
HQ 21 Sub Area.

Signorina GAETANI, Gioia.

Reference telephone conversation of this afternoon (A.D.M.S. - O.C. 54 (Br) Gen Hosp).

The above-named Italian Welfare worker was attached to this unit for the period 5th - 13 Apr 45. She was billetted in the Sisters' Mess. She speaks excellent English and is very well mannered. During her stay there were very few Italian soldiers in hospital but she performed her duties energetically and made successful efforts to fit in with staff and personnel.

If this hospital had had a number of Italian casualties, her services would have been very valuable.

(G.W. CRIMMIN)
Lieut Colonel RAMC,
Officer Commanding.

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COPY

Subject: Italian Welfare Workers.

Ref: 7/4
25 Apr 45.

D.D.M.S., Eighth Army.

The following letter from OC 9 Ind CCS, 9/Con/584/45 dated 24 Apr 45, is repeated for information.

"Signorina Gioia Gaetani, Italian Welfare Worker, reported on 20 Apr 45 in the afternoon, and left this unit on 23 Apr in the morning.

During this short period she looked after the welfare of Italian patients well"

K. Cameron Major,
for Brigadier,
D.D.M.S. 5 Corps.

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Subject :- Permits to Travel.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ., I District.
Ref IO/715

26 April 45.

To :- MMIA LO., Rear 8 Army
MMIA LO., British Increment 5 Army.

I. With the rapid increase in the amount of territory liberated through recent advances, many men in 209 Div are strongly desirous of receiving news of their families' from whom they have not heard for years.

2. Would it please be possible for Army to grant permission so that I could send an Italian officer with say four or five men in a vehicle to make a tour collecting such information on behalf of the other men in 209 Div.

3. Otherwise, it is feared that considerable numbers of men will inevitably desert and make their way illegally into the Army area. This is becoming an urgent problem and a prompt reply would be appreciated.

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J. H. Bourne
Capt.
MMIA LO., I District.

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Permission not possible at present. Troops are employed in [illegible]

SUBJECT:- Role of Italian W.V.S.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
23 Apr 45

Rear 5 Corps
Rear 10 Corps
Rear 13 Corps
Rear Polcorps
50 B.L.U.
51 B.L.U.
52 B.L.U.

Copy to: "A" Main Eighth Army
Welfare, Rear Eighth Army
MMIA LO, att Rear 5 Corps
MMIA LO, att Rear 10 Corps
HQ 228 Div
Rear 26 B.L.U.

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B.K. Lauenstein

Major,
MMLA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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Brigadier G.P.H. Stayner,
DA & QMG.,
Main HQ Eighth Army, CMF.

Tel Ext 70

M 2917 AQ 17 Mar 45.

1. I have to refer to our meeting of 27 Mar 45 on the subject of W.V.S Italian ladies and their role in the clubs.

2. I should like to make it quite clear that the suggestions that I discussed with you were made with the intention of assisting you and were not made because the clubs you are already running are not excellent.

3. As I explained to you we run our clubs on the lines that they belong to the soldiers, and try and make them as homelike as is possible.

The British W.V.S. run all the social side of them, arrange the rooms, see that the rooms are kept clean, arrange the decorations, and organize and supervise games and dances, and arrange entertainments, etc.

The Officer i/c club looks after the stores (food stocks, etc.,) and accounts for stores and money.

The Ladies only call on the officer for help over discipline matters when it gets beyond their control. We have found that this very seldom happens.

As regards dances I quite see your point of view, but I do not feel the same rules should apply in ROME and in the forward areas when it is important to give men resting as much entertainment and comfort as one can.

4. I am very delighted that you expressed yourself as in agreement with the suggestions made and are willing to give them a trial. If things go wrong, which I do not anticipate, we shall have to try and devise some other method.

5. As you know, the Army Commander takes the greatest interest in the welfare side of the Army and is anxious that we should give you all the support and help we can. This we will do.

6. I confirm that I am looking for a suitable place on the coast to offer you for an Italian Rest and Bathing Camp.

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Yours

General Attilio TORSELLI,
HQ, 228 Italian Division.

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For Action

rear 13 corps rear POLCORPS

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

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— Message Instructions — | —GR—

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for italian tps

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FROM (A) Originator: MMIA LO Rear Eqtr Army | Date-Time of Origin: 201430B | Office Date Stamp

For Action: DDL Rear Eqtr Army

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions: NP | GR

Originator's No.: opnig. Attached are contracts in duplicate in respect of Sgt [illegible] CAMPAGNI and Sgt [illegible] PACI and MATTEUCCI

May duplicate copies please be returned to me when signed

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(GV226) Wt. 9172 194 2,000,000 Pads. 5/43. B. & S. Ltd. 51-6745/6.

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SUBJECT;- Italian - W.V.S.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Rear HQ Eighth Army CMF
Tele Ext 272
R 264 LA

19 Apr'45

MMIA LO Rear Eighth Army.

1. Herewith contracts in respect of Signora TORRIGIANI and Signora ALBERTONI duly signed by Col. STATHER on behalf of the Army Comd.

2. Duplicate copies have been retained.

Returned to BGCH 1914

for Col.
DDL.
Eighth Army.

KN.

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SUBJECT:- Contracts - Italian W.V.S.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

D.D.L.,
Rear Eighth Army.

MM/119
19 Apr 45

1. I enclose copies in duplicate of contracts in respect of

Signora SCARAMBONI Olga
Signorina GAETANI Gioia.

2. May they please be countersigned and second copies returned to me for onward transmission.

Bgcot.

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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TO: GSI(t) Base Eight Army

(W) For Information (INFO)

Office Date Stamp: 19.

Message Instructions: — CR —

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If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent **IN CIPHER** Signed

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C.A.O.
RAVENNA

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GHIRARDINI in SGARAMBONI Olga

Reference attached letter.

The a/m was not active politically before the fall of Fascism.

She did not join the Republican Fascist Party and took no part in its activities.

NO SECURITY OBJECTION to her employment with the Italian Red Cross.

RAVENNA
12 April 45

FIELD SECURITY SECTION

To Lieut. Guarda;
For information.

Capt. Ravenna

'31.'

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Allied Military Government

Eighth Army

Subject: *C.A.O. Ravenna*

To: Capt. Stapleton
F.S.S.

9 April 1945

May I please have security information regarding the following:

Olga GHIRARDINI
married to SCALAMBRONI.

in view of possible employment with Italian Red Cross in the field.

Lt. Col.
Actg.
C.A.O.

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SUBJECT:- Contract - Italian W.V.S.

C O N F I D E N T I A L

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
18 Apr 45

D.D.I.,
Rear Eighth Army.

I enclose contracts in respect of the following ladies who have all been vetted and found "secure."

(a) Signora TORRIGIANI. Signora ALBERTONI.

Both require countersignature in behalf of Army Comd; I will return duplicate copies to the ladies as soon as they are signed.

(b) Duchessa VISCONTI
Signorina FEDERICO
Signora CAVALLI-VISCONTI.

These are duplicate copies and should be retained on behalf of the Army Comd.

Bgcot 7311

Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

Read

SUBJECT: Duties of Col ROSSI-PASSAVANTE
Italian Army Welfare Officer - EIGHTH Army.

CONFIDENTIAL.

12 APR 1945

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Rear HQ EIGHTH Army, CMF.

Tel Ext: 210.

R 5635/2 A.

11 Apr 45

"A" Main HQ 5 Corps.
"A" Rear HQ 10 Corps.
"A" Main HQ 13 Corps.
"A" Rear HQ 2 Polish Corps.
"A" HQ 36 (Army) Area.
HQ 214 Sub Area.
G.O.C. 228 Italian Div.
HQ 50 ELU
HQ 51 ELU.
HQ 53 ELU.

Copy to: HQ 26 ELU att Rear HQ 2 Polish Corps : ST. Med. Lab. Welfare.
MMLLO Rear HQ Eighth Army. Col ROSSI-PASSAVANTE.

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(d) To advise Italian formations on methods of organising Unit Welfare and to assist where necessary. 7310

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4. Col. ROSSI-PASSAVANTE will visit all formations in the immediate future. Intimation will be given to all commanders of Italian formations/ units under command, to ensure that every assistance is afforded him.

Brigadier,
D.A., & Q.M.G.,
EIGHTH Army.

Field.
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Nominal roll of Italian WVS
in Br. CCS & Gen Hospitals.

Given to BGCH by L^t Col di VILLANOVA. 11 Apr

1) Miss CLELIA ESCLAPON
ar 66 Gen Hosp.

2) Miss GIOIA GAETANI
ar 54 Gen Hosp.

vetted by Col Edwards in ROME.

3) Mrs MARIDA TECCHIO
ar 9 Indian CCS

son in Nucleo I

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SUBJECT: weekly report from Italian Army Welfare Officer-8th Army.

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ARMY WELFARE SERVICE
Italian Liaison Officer
Field, 15 Apr 45

Lt.Col. FLETCHER, ADAWS Rear HQ 8 Army.
Copy to: Major B.CAREW-HUNT, MMIA LO
c/o Rear HQ 8 Army.
Lt.Col. BEAUCLERK, PWB
Main HQ 8 Army.

Bgct.

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Firms, Associations and Civilian People have been addressed, requested and assisted for a organic collection of books; that found its public and propagandistical concretness in Cesena on Saturday 14 Apr 45.

PWB sent, for this occasion, its cameramen who fixed-up the various stages of the books collection.

This example shall be shown to Firms, Associations and civilian People of others towns in order to get the same result.

3.- "CORRIERE ALLEATO" NEWSPAPER.-

Formations Welfare officers have ensured to collect and delivery without delay these Newspapers. Usefull thing could be, as a propaganda mean too, the allotment of a regained truck to this purpose only.

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4.- "CREMONA" AND "FRIULI" LIAISING.-

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5.- RAVENNA OFFICERS HOTEL AND OFFICERS CLUB.-
For 228 Div and "Cremona"Combat Group Officer Welfare, Ravenna Allied Authorities promised that next week will be available "Albergo Centrale"(via Rattazzi) capable of 30 beds and a mess, and a Club premises (via Cavour 87). Where this building be non available, another one will be provided.

6.- Others Welfare amenities are being planned, but will be explained as soon as under concretness.

Having present in mind the rules (to foresee, to forestall, and to provide) allready issued and followed by G.O.C 228 Div, special attention will be payed to redder Welfare Service more and more harmonic among all Italian Formations with the Eighth Army.

Elia Rossi-Passavanti

(ELIA ROSSI-PASSAVANTI)Col.
Italian Army Welfare Officer
Eighth Army, CMF

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UFFICIO DI COLLEGAMENTO PER IL BENESSERE DEL SOLDATO ITALIANO
DELL'8ª ARMATA
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Nº 65 di prot. W/I 119 Z.G. addì 21 Marzo 1945

OGGETTO = Attività settimanale.

→ Al Sig. Maggiore CAREW HUNT M.M.I.A. H.Q. REAR 8th. ARMY
Al Sig. Ten. Col. FLETCHER A.D.A.W.S. " " " " "

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E' stato interessato il Sindaco di Cesena Sig. SOZZI perchè costit Comitato per la raccolta di libri,giuochi,grammofoni, dischi gram da dividersi tra le grandi unità dell'8^ Armata.
Il Prefetto di Forlì ha spedita la Circolare n° 555 di prot. in febbraio u.s; a tutti i comuni della Provincia per la raccolta d

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materiali. Lo scrivente ha visitato personalmente 10 Sindaci dei 50 della Provincia di Forlì.

C)

Il Cinema "Savoia" di Rimini e quello "Italia" (Odeon) di Ravenna hanno già cominciato a funzionare. Per il Cinema "Novo" di Cesena è stata interessata la 228ª Divisione a provvedere in merito in base agli ordini ricevuti dal Generale Tamassia.

D)

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E)

Sono state distribuite 10 sigarette a testa quale regalo del Sig. Generale Comandante l'8ª Armata a tutte le truppe Italiane.

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G) . . . . .

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228ª Divisione		"CREMONA"	"FRIULI"
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L'ITALIA	3000& " settimanali	2000	2000
CORRIERE ALLEATO	500 " bisettimanali	1000	2000
"PIAVE	5000 copie settimali	2000 "Spiga"bisett.	

H)

Le alle case del soldato di Rimini,Cesena,Forlì,Faenza è stata pure aperta casa del soldato a Ravenna da parte della 228ª Divisione. Altra casa del to sarà aperta in Ravenna da parte del Gruppo di Combattimento "Cremona".

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...o Bar è stato aperto a Ravenna dal Gruppe di Combattimento "Cremona".

I)

...nziona a Forlì una Foresteria per gli ufficiali organizzata dalla ...ione (7 letti - bagno e mensa).

...scenziario di Villa Verucchio è stato organizzato dalla 228^ Divi- ...n°150 uomini.Sono necessarie alcune riparazioni.

Ten col A...

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UFFICIO DI COLLEGAMENTO PER IL RIMPATRIO DEL SOLDATO ITALIANO
DELL'8° ARMATA

N° 66 di Prot. S/I

S.G. li 28-1-1945

OGGETTO = Attività settimanale.

Al Sig. Ten. Col. FLANAGAN C/O A.D.A.M.G. Near 5th. Army

→ Al Sig. Maggiore CARLO TUTT S.O. M.F.I.A. " " "

Riassunto di quanto è stato fatto dal 22 al 28 corrente mese:

A)

LIBRI = Raccolti dei libri a Cesena che sono stati consegnati al Sig. Colonnello PASSAVANTI per la libreria mobile della 8/8° Divisione. Conferito con il R. Provveditore agli Studi di Forlì perchè faccia una circolare a tutte le scuole della Provincia per la raccolta di libri.

B)

OCCHIALI = I comitati di Liberazione insieme a comitati comunali stanno raccogliendo libri e giuochi da ripartire tra le truppe dell'8^ Armata. Visitati alcuni sindaci della Provincia di Forlì e di Ravenna per accelerare il funzionamento dei suddetti comitati cittadini.

C)

CINEMA = Oltre il Cine a Nuovo di Rimini ed Odeon di Ravenna hanno pure cominciato a funzionare il Cinema di Brisighella (teatro comunale) e quello di Cesena (Cine a Nuovo).

D)

CROCEROSSINE = Mentre il Gruppo di combattimento "Friuli" desidera della crocerossine per gli ospedali da campo il gruppo di Combattimento "Cremona" ne farebbe a meno.

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E)

CASE DEL SOLDATO = Il comandante dell'8^ Armata ha autorizzato la cessione di 4500 razioni per 12 soldati della "Friuli", la quale ha aperto la casa del soldato di Brisighella e di Faenza.
E' in corso l'apertura di una casa del soldato a Pesaro da parte della 828^ Divisione.
Il giorno 26-1-45 alle ore 14 1/2 sono stati visitati i due bars e la casa del soldato del "Cremona" insieme al Brig. Gen. KING (U.S. 5 Corps)

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Riassunto di quanto è stato fatto dal 13 al 20 corrente mese:

A)

LIBRI - Raccolti dei libri a Cesena che sono stati consegnati al Sig. Colonnello PASSAVANTI per la libreria mobile della 92ª Divisione. Conferito con il R. Provveditore agli Studi di Forlì perchè faccia una circolare a tutte le scuole della Provincia per la raccolta di libri.

B)

CONCERTI - I Comitati di Liberazione insieme ai Comitati comunali stanno raccogliendo libri e giuochi da ripartire tra le truppe dell'8ª Armata. Visitati alcuni sindaci della Provincia di Forlì e di Ravenna per accelerare il funzionamento dei suddetti ecultati cittadini.

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F)

GIORNALI - Il Gruppo di Combattimento "Friuli" desidera avere dalla carta da ciclostile per il giornaletto reggimentale "La Torre Scrivia"
La distribuzione dei giornali si è normalizzata.

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G)

Preso contatto con la Duchessa Visconti che dopo aver preso accordi diretti col Brig. Steiner ed il Gen. Temaselli ritornerà verso la fine della prima decade di Aprile per organizzare il Corpo Volontario Femminile per le varie cantine dell'8^ Armata

H)

VARIE = Torneo di calcio tra le unità del Gruppo di Combattimento "Cremona".

Proposto all'Aiutante Maggiore del 61° Gruppo Pionieri una buca dei suggerimenti a similitudine di quanto avviene nell'Esercito Inglese.

Sarebbe bene fare unificare i prezzi di vendita nelle case del soldato di Ravenna da parte del Gruppo "Cremona" e della 228^ Divisione.

L'UFFICIALE DI COLLEGAMENTO
(ten.col. A.di Blasi)

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Tel Ext: 93.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
EIGHTH ARMY

Subject: Welfare Enquiries - Italian Military.

OA/31

10 April 45.

M.M.I.A.
Rear Eighth Army.

1. We have been asked ~~to endeavour~~ to ascertain the present whereabouts of an Italian Officer, and it would be appreciated if you could cause enquiries to be made, to endeavour to trace him.

2. The officer concerned is Sottotenente DANIELE SARTORI, Infantry, who about a year ago was serving with the 522 Regiment Fanteria, which it is understood was attached to Eighth Army.

3. It is regretted that the information is vague, but perhaps you will be able to divert the enquiry through the proper channel.

228 Div investigating
RGCT
13/4

Staff Captain,
for Air Commodore,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.G. EIGHTH ARMY.

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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For Action: G ST Allied Eighth Army

TO (W) For Information (INFO):

Office Date Stamp

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7. The quantity of rations calculated from the ST/8s will be held for replacement purposes against the US and Br account in accordance with the posted strength of the categories national rationing responsibility.

8. In order to comply with para 3 of the AFHQ letter, will Armies, Districts or Base Section please signal if and where they wish to operate canteens. The canteens so far authorised are provisionally allotted.

Fifth Army	=	4
Eight Army	=	4
1 District	=	1
3 District	=	2
P.B.S.	=	1

9. The quantity of rations admissable for April will be advised immediately the signals requested in para 8 have been received.

Major General
A.M.I.A.

DISTRIBUTION:

HQ. Rear Eight Army
CG. Fifth Army
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HQ. 1 District
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CG. P.B.S.
All AMIA LO's

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INFORMATION:

AFHQ for G1 A
AFHQ for G1 B
AFHQ for G4 A
AFHQ for G4 B
CG. 15 Army Group

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INFORMATION:

AFHQ for G1 A
AFHQ for G1 B
AFHQ for G4 A
AFHQ for G4 B
CG. 15 Army Group

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDG NO. 785020

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT:- Italian W.V.S.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
11 Apr 45

GSI(b),
Main Eighth Army.

Further to my MM/119 dated 8 Apr 45.

1. The names of Signora MAUROCORDATO Franca and Signorina FULGIDA-COMEI have been withdrawn for family reasons.

2. The following ladies are new candidates :-

Signorina ROSANNA MATEUCCI,
Presso FERRAGLI,
Via Martelli 8, PESCIA.
Said to have gained high reputation as a Partisan in the fighting for PESCIA.

Signora GIULIA GUADAGNI,
Le Lodoline,
VAGLIAGLI (SIENA).
No details.

A Lieutenant Col
for Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject:- Vetting of Personnel
for Italian WVS

Main HQ,
Eighth Army, CMF.
Tel: Ext 65
M 351/1 I(b)

9 Apr 45

Major Carew Hunt,
MMIA,
Rear HQ Eighth Army.

Further to this HQ M 351/1 I(b) of 7 Apr 45 to DA & QMG.

Attached hereto are four travel permits in respect of the four persons mentioned in para 2.

for G.S.I.

Lt. Col.
G.S.I.

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1296.

SUBJECT:- Italian Army Newspaper "Le Piave"

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.

MM/119
11 Apr 45.

1. Number of copies distributed 2,100, on average of 1 copy per nine men.

2. News. As a news sheet is excellent and the publication and circulation of this paper has proved a tonic to the moral effect of the troops.

3. La Patria however lacks a few interesting features and the following points would be of interesting reading.

News of conditions of civilians now living in zones occupied by the enemy; this affects a large number of men who were resident in these areas.

News on conditions of the civilian life in liberated territory, in particular the future reconstruction of the civil population and the position regarding military demobilisation as soon as hostilities cease.

News dealing with agricultural matters in view of the fact that the majority of the soldiers are professional agriculturists.

4. The news regarding sport is read with a keen interest, but not so much on spectacular items as the men have no chance to visit the shows and it has a reverse and detrimental effect. They have frequently asked to have this withdrawn.

5. General suggestions. 7295

Publication of a few games.

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A Leopizzi Capt
for Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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BEST COPY POSSIBLE

COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE
-I. P. A. HQ.-
S.M. - Ufficio Servizi-

N° 1055/210 di prot. P.M.16,11 Aprile 1945.-

O G G E T T O: Giornale "LA PATRIA".-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army C M F

Comunico i seguenti dati relativi al giornale in oggetto:

1.- Numero delle copie distribuite: 2100 (in media I copia ogni 9 militari)

2.- L'effetto che la distribuzione del giornale ha sul morale della truppa è incondizionatamente ritenuto ottimo.

3.- Le notizie relative agli sports sono lette generalmente con interesse. Non altrettanto quelle relative agli spettacoli;i militari non hanno la possibilità di assistervi,e non le leggono affatto. Spesso,le notizie di tali spettacoli hanno un effetto deprimente.Viene concordemente richiesta la loro abolizione.

4.- Notizie richieste:
a) - notizie sulla vita delle popolazioni nelle zone ancora occupate dal nemico,alle quali appartiene gran parte dei militari;
b) - notizie riguardanti la ripresa della vita civile nelle zone liberate e in particolare sulle future possibilità di ripresa dell'attività civile e di impiego per i militari smobilitati al la fine delle ostilità;
c) - notizie di carattere agricolo,dato che la maggior parte dei militari è di professione agricola.

5.- Per rendere più gradito il giornale alle truppe,segnalo i " desiderata" dei militari dipendenti:

a) - istituzione di una rubrica di giuochi;
b) - istituzione di una rubrica umoristica;
c) - pubblicazione di novelle,di carattere possibilmente evitando quelle in due o più puntate,perchè il soldato non amano gli articoli lunghi;
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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

A Tomaselli

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Subject:- Italian Newspapers.

864/WEL/5

Italian Welfare Officer,
Rear HQ Eighth Army.

119.

1. Reference the attached letter received by this office from OC. 164 Italian Pioneer Coy re Italian Newspapers.

2. Forwarded for your information and necessary action.

Field.
9 Apr '45
VA

228 Bde informed
Regd
11/4

Major,
DADAWS,
HQ 86 (Army) Area.

Copy to :- OC 164 Italian Pioneer Coy.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

COPY

Subject :- Italian Newspapers.

DADWS
86 (Army) Area.

OC British Cadre. 164 Italian Pioneer Coy.

I should be glad if it could be arranged for my Coy to receive copies of the Italian Newspaper "La Patria". The strength of the Coy is 214 Italian all Ranks.

At present we collect copies of "8th Army News" for the British Personnel daily from 86 Area HQ., and it would be convenient if at the same time we could collect the Italian Papers.

I am not sure if I am addressing my request to the right quarters, when I write to you. If not, perhaps you would be kind enough to forward this to the correct quarters.

Field.
April 7th 1945.

xxxxx Capt.
OC British Cadre.
164 Italian Pioneer Coy.

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COPY/ Signed.

119.

SUBJECT:- Officers - Postings

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
A/II

2 Apr 45.

Ministry of War

Lt.Col. A. DI BLASI.
Lt.Col. E. ROSSI-PASSAVENTE.

Will you please arrange for the above named officers to be posted as follows :-

Lt.Col A. DI BLASI as a Welfare Officer to HQ 209 Div.

Lt.Col. ROSSI-PASSAVANTE as a Welfare Officer to HQ 228 Div.

Please advise this HQ when these postings have taken place.

(Sgd) S.F. ARCHER, Capt.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to : Rear HQ Eighth Army
for Welfare.
ADAWS, M.M.I.A.
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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

SUBJECT:- Italian W.V.S.

G.S.I(b),
Main Eighth Army.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MM/119
8 Apr 45

Ref conversation 7 Apr Majors DE FREITAS and CAREW-HUNT and further to my letter MM/119 dated 5 Apr 45.

Please add the following names to the list :-

(a) Signorina LIDIA NOTARBARTOLO,
Via BURLITTO-LATINI 79, FLORENCE.

(b) Signorina ELIA FULGIDA-COMEI,
Via SAN SPIRITO 7, FIORENCE.

Agent

Major
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

CONFIDENTIAL

Main HQ,
Eighth Army CMF.
Tel: Ext 69
M 352/1 I(h)

5 Apr 45

SUBJECT:- Vetting of Personnel for Italian WVS

DA & QMG
Main HQ Eighth Army

1. It is confirmed that ROSSARI Countess MANETTI, née MIENDISH-CRAETZ, is not at present considered suitable for employment in the proposed Italian WVS.

2. Further investigations are being carried out and you will be notified if any new facts come to light, which may render it possible to reverse the present decision.

3. There is no security objection to the employment of the following personnel submitted for vetting in Nucleo "I" 1073 of 25 Mar 45.

Signorina TERRADURA Walkiria
Signora MAFFI Maria
Signorina TABELLINI Tiziana

Lt.Col.
G.S.I.

Copy to:- MMIA, Rear HQ Eighth Army

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CONFIDENTIAL

Main HQ
Eighth Army, CMF
Tel:- Ext 65
M 351/1 I(b)
7 Apr 45

Subject:- Vetting of Personnel for Italian WVS

DA & QMG, Main HQ Eighth Army
Copy to:- MEIA, Rear HQ Eighth Army

- 8 APR 1945

Further to M 351/1 I(b) of 5 Apr 45.

1. There is no security objection to the employment of the following personnel submitted for vetting in Nucleo "I" letter 1073 of 25 Mar 45:-

Signorina ESCLAPON Clelia
Marchesa PIANETTI Matella.

2. For the sake of regularity it is desired to confirm that you were advised by telephone, by Capt Morgan on 28 Mar 45, that there is no known security objection to the employment of the following:-

Duchessa DI GRAZZANO-VISCONTI Franca
Countess CAVALLI-VISCONTI Ida
Countess ALBERTONI Ippolita
Signora MAUROCORDATO Franca

for Lt. Col.
Deputy G.S.I.

Lt. Col.
G.S.I.

CONFIDENTIAL AND URGENT

SUBJECT:- Passes - Italian W.V.S.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

GSI(b),
Main Eighth Army.

MM/119
5 Apr 45

1. By arrangement with DA & QMG Eighth Army, the Duchess VISCONTI is recruiting Italian ladies for Welfare work with Italian tps under comd of Eighth Army. Recruiting is at the moment confined to FLORENCE and neighbourhood.

2. It is desired that the following ladies may be enrolled in the org in time for them to reach CESENA by 12 Apr at the latest.

(a) Already submitted

Duchessa FRANCA VISCONTI
Contessa IDA CAVALLI VISCONTI
Signorina GIULIA TORRIGIANI
~~Contessa RENATA ROSSI SCOTTI~~
~~Signorina PAOLA SCARAVELLI~~
Contessa IPPOLITA ALBERTONI } from LUCCA
Signorina MARGA PACE }

(b) New candidates (all from FLORENCE)

Signora PAOLA NICCOLAI GAMBA
of Via Giusti 2, presso GATTESCHI - now works in Allied Gift Shop and was previously with local partisans.
Signora ISABELLA BOTTINI
Via S. Margherita a Montici 1 - a Swiss by birth.
Signorina MAFILDE MARCHI
Via de Banchi 4 - no details available.

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3. May the names of all the ladies who are duly approved from security angle be put on one pass to let them enter the Army area. I will see that the pass is forwarded to FLORENCE as soon as you have prepared it.

Bacon.

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1. By arrangement with HQ 15 Gp Engrs Army, Duchessa VISCONTI is recruiting Italian ladies for Welfare work with Italian tps under comd of Eighth Army. Recruiting is at the moment confined to FLORENCE and neighbourhood.

2. It is desired that the following ladies may be enrolled in the org in time for them to reach CESENA by 12 Apr at the latest.

(a) Already submitted

Duchessa FRANCA VISCONTI
Contessa IDA CAVALLI VISCONTI
Signorina GIULIA TORRIGIANI
~~Contessa RENATA ROSSI SCOTTI~~
~~Signorina PAOLA SCARAVELLI~~
Contessa IPPOLITA ALBERTONI } from LUCCA
Signorina MARGA PAGE }

(b) New candidates (all from FLORENCE)

Signora PAOLA NICCOLAI GAMBA
of Via Giusti 2, presso GATTESCHI - now works in Allied Gift Shop and was previously with local partisans.
Signora ISABELLA BOTTINI
Via S. Margherita a Montici 1 - a Swiss by birth.
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Major,
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

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Subject: Italian Army Movements.

CONFIDENTIAL.

To: M.I.I.A.

51 British Liaison Unit.

A 1/2.

5 APR 1945

Ref your letter A/37/2 dated 16 Mar 45.

1. It is presumed that although the report called for by you is intended to be forwarded or was called for through Italian channels, you require the views of the GRUPPO and NOT the BLU. The latter do NOT of course in a sense to comment on these publications.

2. AFO 48 Appx "E" shows that the report submitted by GOC GRIFFONE GRUPPO.

R.W. Hatch

Major,
for A.A.A. & Q.M.G.

Agcls 7273

Encl.
4 - Appx "A".
RMS/ihl.

COPY FOR "A" & "B" COPIES
NEAR EAST MILITARY ARMY.

Appx "A" to 51 BLU letter
dated 4 Apr 45.

REPORT ON ITALIAN ARMY NEWSPAPERS.

1. Distribution.
The newspapers are conveyed to CREMONA HQ by the Posta Militare.
The daily newspaper "PAMPA" is printed in FLORENCE. It goes to press at 1700 hrs and is received here at 0830 hrs the next morning. It is immediately despatched to forward units where it arrives before noon. This newspaper can therefore be read by a soldier in the line 18 hours after going to press.

2. Number of copies received by the GRUPPO. - 1500.

3. News Value.
As a newspaper it is excellent. The news is fully reported, is "up to the minute" and is well balanced.
As a newspaper, however, it lacks several features. "PAMPA has the great advantage over other Italian newspapers of being delivered to front line units without delay but, however, it is less popular than most other newspapers.
The soldier of today has an inquiring mind and he wants to get a well balanced and objective account on which opinion leans to the left nor the right, but which serves all purposes from a decent and honest point of view and which is able to offer an explanation on the various problems of the day while demanding any tendency towards hatred and violence. In short the newspaper should give him some indication of the "best road" to follow.
"PAMPA" lacks informative and explanatory articles. For instance a series of articles has not yet appeared on the following subjects

(a) To describe one new effort and the heroic deeds of our soldiers, sailors and airmen which have been acknowledged by the Allies.
(b) To emphasise the necessity for our present war effort.
(c) To deny those lies spread about before and during the war.
(d) To praise the behaviour and general bearing of the Italian soldier in those areas occupied by Italian troops.
(e) To show that the German soldier is far from invincible. Recalling the retreats in Africa and Russia which were greater, possibly, than any in history.
(f) To draw attention to the human exploitation of the enemy 3272 civilian for his own ends.
(g) To encourage honour and high moral values.
(h) To give some guidance on reconstruction and the position of ex-combatants.

4. Comments on Trends and Views Abroad.
No such views nor any articles that have dealt with these matters have been noted.

5. Comments on Advertisements and Trade Notices.

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2. Number of copies received by the SPECIC - 1000.

3. Main Value.

As a narrative it is excellent. The news is fully reported, up to the minute and is well balanced.

As a newspaper, however, it lacks several features. "ARIETA has the great advantage over other Italian newspapers of being delivered to your line with almost daily hop, except it is less popular than some other newspapers.

The soldier of today has an inquiring mind and he wants to be a well informed and objective account which neither leans to the left nor the right, but which serves all questions from a decent and honest point of view and which is able to offer an explanation on the various problems of the day while disregarding any tendency towards hatred and rancour. In short the newspaper should give him some indication of the "Post war" to follow.

"ARIETA" lacks informative and explanatory articles. Few fortunate a series of articles has not yet appeared on the following subjects:

(a) To describe our war effort and the heroic deeds of our soldiers, sailors and airmen which have been acknowledged by the Allies.
(b) To emphasise the reasons for our present war effort.
(c) To show those ties which exist before and during the war.
(d) To praise the behaviour and general morale of the Italian soldiers in those areas occupied by Italian troops.
(e) To show that the German soldier is far from invincible, recalling the defeats in Africa and Russia which were greater, possibly, than any in history.
(f) To keep attention to the German exploitation of the territories for his own ends.
(g) To encourage decent and legitimate values.
(h) To give some evidence of reconstruction and the position of unemployment.

4. Comments on Leads and Human Angle.

[illegible] the soldier who has articles that have dealt with these matters have been found.

5. Comments on Illustrations and Graphic Material.

Also another article has come into these headings regarding of entertainment are good and fairly good.

6. General Comments.

The newspaper "ARIETA" as a good general interest paper and is continually being improved. "ARIETA" could be still further improved

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[illegible] the above [illegible] and [illegible] contact. We suggest that you start out sending [illegible] to a full report on [illegible] a comprehensive report on general interest and political [illegible] and other sources and as objective article [illegible] of the reactions of the [illegible]. A long term could include an [illegible] article (see above) and the sound note could give the [illegible] some comment [illegible] on [illegible] press and [illegible].

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 000.76/141 G/P-O

27 March 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Army Newspaper

TO: Commanding Generals:
15th Army Group, APO 777
Fifth Army, APO 464 (For Br Inc for "A")
Rome Area Allied Command, APO 794
Headquarters, Eighth Army (Rear)
General Officers Commanding:
Number 1 District
Number 2 District
Number 3 District

1. Approval has been given for the publication of an official ITALIAN Army newspaper named "LA PATRIA". This is published on six days of the week and there is also a Sunday edition named "ITALIA".

2. These papers are distributed through ITALIAN Army channels to all soldiers of the ITALIAN Army on a scale of approximately one to seven.

3. Publication is supervised by MMIA.

4. Inquiries from Allied sources should be addressed to MMIA, and those from ITALIAN sources to the ITALIAN Ministry of War.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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5 - AAF/ATO
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8th Army

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COMANDO 228^ DIVISIONE
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Ufficio di Amministrazione

Lo. 18A

n. 828/amm. di prot . 119 - P.M. 16,lì 26 marzo 1945

O G G E T T O : - Rifornimenti per le Sale Ritrovo.=

LIAISON OFFICER LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC. (M.M.I.A.)
- c/o Rear HQ. Eighth Army - MM/102/3 - 22 marzo 45

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Comunico che in data odierna é stato effettuato il versamento al Field Cash n. 78 della somma di lire italiane 1.143,25 pari a lire sterline 2.17.2 ancora dovute per forniture alla Sala Ritrovo di Rimini ed allo spaccio mobile della Divisione, per generi forniti nel mese di dicembre 1944 .=

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Attilio Tomaselli -

A Tomaselli

1300

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MESSAGGIO SPECIALE
inviato dal
COMANDANTE dell'ARMATA

AGLI UFFICIALI, SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA

DELLA 228ª DIVISIONE

In questo anniversario della costituzione della 228ª Divisione voglio ringraziare e congratularmi con gli Ufficiali, Sottufficiali e Soldati per la loro partecipazione alle campagne dell'8ª Armata durante il passato anno.

Da quando, nell'aprile dello scorso anno, venne costituito il vostro Comando per amministrare i 4500 soldati italiani addetti ai servizi in collaborazione con l'8ª Armata, il vostro numero si è più che quadruplicato. Questo basta da solo a dimostrare l'importanza del vostro compito ed a provare con quanta competenza e con quale rendimento l'avete svolto. Metto particolarmente in rilievo che sebbene la maggior parte della vostra Divisione non sia costituita di combattenti, pure avete operato sulla linea del fronte e in ogni condizione climatica.

Avete svolto per noi gran parte del lavoro essenziale, e molto avete compiuto per agevolare l'avanzata dell'8ª Armata.

Avete operato veramente bene!

Spero e confido che questo giorno, nel prossimo anno, vedrà già compiuta la disfatta finale dei tedeschi. Voi

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R. L. McCreery

Il Tenente Generale
Comandante l'8ª Armata.

5 Aprile 1945.

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Subject: Passes for Welfare Workers.

M.M.I.A. L.O.,
c/o British Increment,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

Phone: Lightning Rear 350.

5LO/5/A.

29th. March, 45.

To: A.M.G., Fifth Army.

Copy to: Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear Eighth Army.

Contessa IPPOLITA ALBERTONI
Signorina MARGA PACE.

The a/m Italian ladies are required in FLORENCE to assist the Contessa VISCONTI in her welfare work for Italian soldiers fighting with Allied Forces.

May passes be issued, please, to allow them to come from LUCCA to FLORENCE.

Permission for them to come to FLORENCE will be very much appreciated in view of the present drive for the Welfare of Italian soldiers.

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a.m. nesting
Capt.
MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

AMN/gb

TOWN	HOUSE	SEATS	PROJEC. MACHINE	CHAIRS	ELECTRIC POWER	REQUIS. BY.	WEEKLY PERFORM.
CESENA	ITALIA	600	O.K.	O.K.	In town	8th.A. Welfare	10
"	VERDI	600	missing	O.K.	In town	8th A.	14
"	NUOVO	400	O.K.	O.K.	In town		
FORLI	ESPERIA	1100	O.K.	O.F.	In town	U.N.S.A.	14
"	APOLLO	800	O.K.	O.K.	In town	8th A.	14
"	CASA SIADIC (Oak Cine)	700	missing	O.K.	In town	8th A.	10
"	COLLEGIO AERONAUTICO (Metro Cinema)	400	missing	O.K.	In town	8th A.	7.
"	S ALA COMUNALE (Little Cinema)	400	missing	missing	In town		
RIMINI	FULGOR	500	O.K.	O.K.	In town	A.M.S.	4
"	SAVOJA	1000	all missing and damaged, but partisans are working in order to reopen for exhibitions in their own account; will be ready very soon.				
"	IMPERO	1000	missing	O.K.	In town	A.M.S.	7.
"	PARC O	800	showing only in summer-time.				
"	AMBASCIATORI	700	destroyed. Chairs undamaged available.				
"	TRIPOLI	800	destroyed.				
"	NOVELLI	1000	badly damaged.				
CERVIA	ASTRA	1350	O.K.	O.K.	In town	SALVATION ARMY	10.
"	ITALIA	500	missing	O.K.	Actually used as corn and flour stockpile.		
RAVENNA	ITALIA	480	O.K.	O.K.	Missing	Y.M.C.A.	14.
"	RAVENNA	700	O.K.	O.K.	missing	Canada. Wel.	10.
"	MARCONI	250	badly damaged.				

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"	MODERNO	500	O.K.	O.K.	missing	Welfare	10.
"	ASTRA	310	O.K.	O.K.	missing	Welfare	
"	ROMA	320	missing	O.K.	missing	Welfare	7.
"	RASI	350	now used as bedding space for Catholic college's pupils.				
"	ALIGHIERI	1000	missing	O.K.	missing	Welfare	7.

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To be checked :

CESENATICO + CATTOLICA + RICCIONE + BAGNO DI ROMAGNA + SPIERO IN B. CIVITELLA DI ROMAGNA + FORLIMPOPOLI + MEDOLA + MERCATO SARACENO ROCCA S. CASCIANO + S. ARCANGELO + and BAGNACAVALLO + RUSSI + FAENZA + MODIGLIANA these latter too near the front line for showings to civilians.

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** 29666 Register No.

Call | Sr. No. | Party | Transmission Instructions

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Originator

FROM (A): MMIA IO REAR EIGHTARMY

Date - Time of Origin: 290900 A

For Action

TO: MMIA IO BR INCR REAR FIFTH ARMY

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE STAMP — FIFTH ARMY SIGNALS

Message Instructions — GR —

Originator's No.

MM 432 CONFIDENTIAL (.) REQUEST YOU OBTAIN AMG PASSES MAILING FOLLOWING TO TRAVEL LUCCA TO FLORENCE PRIOR TO JOINING VIGORELLI FOR ITALIAN ARMY WELFARE (.) CONTESSA TPOLITA ALBERTONI (.) SIGNORINA MARGA PAGI

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority
Signed	Signed	7263

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SUBJECT:- Distribution of "Il Soldato"

Fifth Army.
Base Sec. 3 Corps.
HQ 88 (Army) Area.
HQ 2 Beach Group.
A(Cube). Base Eighth Army.
Welfare, Base Eighth Army.

Allied Officer.
Land Forces Sub Comd. (L.F.S.C.).
c/o Base No. 3, Eighth Army.

MS/lig
20 Mar 44.

1. Below is shown for your information the number of copies of "Il Soldato" which HQ SIC MAY have requested the Editorial Office in Florence to despatch to this Area for distribution to units of 88 Div.

Location	Allied Unit	Italian Unit to whom addressed	No. of Copies
FORLI	ASC 3 Corps	HQ 2/43rd Fwd Regt.	1,040
CESENA	A(Cube) Base Eighth Army	Italian ASC HQ 10	893
RIMINI	88 (Army) Area	H. 503 CA Bn.	410
PESARO	2 Beach Group	Base H., 828 MIV.	853
		T/241.	2,100

B.G. Lanchbury
Major.
for Lt. Base Eighth Army.

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28 MAR 1945

= COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
-I. F. A. HQ.-
- S.K. - Ufficio Servizi -

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Nº 982/3/D/Serv. di prot. P.M.I6 li 27 Marzo 1945.-

O G G E T T O : Distribuzione giornale " LA PATRIA ".-

ALLA REDAZIONE DEL GIORNALE " LA PATRIA " - F I R E N Z E -
Via Ricasoli nº 40

e,per conoscenza:

- Liaison officer M M I A
  Rear HQ Eighth Army — C M F
- AI CENTRI DI CORRISPONDENZA DI FORLI' - RIMINI - PESARO
- ALL'UFFICIO POSTA MILITARE I6 — L O R O S E D I

In relazione alle nuove dislocazioni assunte dai reparti dipendenti,prego voler disporre che il numero dei giornali contenuto nei pacchi diretti,tramite Enti Alleati, ai Centri di Corrispondenza di questo Comando venga modificato come segue:

Località	ENTE ALLEATO	Centro di corrispondenza cui è diretto	Nº DELLE COPIE
FORLI'	A.P.W. 5º Corpo	Comando del I/4I2º rgt. pionieri	I.040
CESENA	Ufficio A.Publications Rear 8ª Armata	Ufficio Posta Militare I6	393
RIMINI	86 (Army) Area	Comando 505º Btg. Guardie	4I8
PESARO	207 Sub-Area	Ufficio del Vice Coman/te 228ª Div.	239
		TOTALE 2.I00	1201

I centri di Corrispondenza riceveranno a parte le varianti alla precedente distribuzione,in base alle nuove dislocazioni dei reparti,e daranno loro corso non appena i pacchi dei giornali giungeranno composti come sopra indicato.

P. c. c.
IL TEN.COL.CAPO DI S.M.
(Luigi Morrica)

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to Attilio Tomaselli

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- AI CENTRI DI CORRISPONDENZA DI FORLI' - RIMINI - PESARO
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PESARO	207 Sub-Area	Ufficio del Vice Coman/te 228ª Div.	239
		TOTALE 2.I00	1261

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(Luigi Morrica)

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to Attilio Tomasselli

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

SUBJECT: Italian Army Newspapers.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A/27/2.
16 Mar'45.

To all MMIA LO's and BIU's.

1. A report is required on the Italian army newspapers "La Patria", and "Italia", to reach this HQ by 7 April.

2. These newspapers are published by the army for the soldier, and it is desired to do everything possible to make them efficient and of high morale value. Information is required on the present distribution system, on the numbers actually reaching the soldiers, and on their attitude to the papers.

3. The report should, therefore, be based on the following headings.

1. Distribution
2. Numbers received by formations.
3. Material. (a) News
(b) Morale and human aspect
(c) Entertainment and Sport.
4. General Suggestions.

4. Practical suggestions for improvement of the paper in any way are particularly required. It is desired to have your views and this report is independant of any reports called for through Italian channels.

228 Bde. I will let us know by 1 Apr.

Major General
M. M. I. A.

DISTRIBUTION

MMIA LO SARDINIA
" " SICILY
" " NAPLES
" " Rear Eighth Army
" " Fifth Army

MMIA LO 52 BIU
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Spiace di Blasio pour 16/3
Paget 21/3

Major General
M. M. I. A.

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" " NAPLES
" " Rear Eighth Army
" " Fifth Army
" " Fifth Army (Br Incr)
" " 1 District
" " 3 District
" " 54 Area
" " Taranto (c/o 52 Area)
" " ST Andrews Camp Taranto
" " MED IO c/o ADMS 52 Area

MMIA IO 52 BLU
" " 53 "
" " 56 "
" " BTC IOF
" " Trani Camp
50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
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SUBJECT: Italian Army Newspaper.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A/27/2.
19 Mar'45.

HQ. 3 District.

20 MAR 1945
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1. Approval was given by AFHQ under authority of CR/9904/G-1(Br) for the publication of the Italian army newspaper, "La Patria".

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UFFICIO DI COLLEGAMENTO PER IL BENESSERE DEL SOLDATO
ITALIANO DELLA 8ª ARMATA

OGGETTO . Numeo delle copie in distribuzione alle grandi unita'

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Via Quattro Fontane 15 ROMA P.M.3800

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Translation of Memo by Gen. Tamassia for Lt Stayner Dated 13 Mar 46

Exhibit 119

MEMORANDUM

1. I have noted a very marked difference between the treatment of Italian Units employed with Eighth and Fifth Armies and that of units in the rest of Italy. This implies that operational formations are convinced that equal treatment with other operational units of various nationalities is all important where the output of the soldier is concerned, whether he be in a fighting unit or doing work in the rear areas.

The Italian soldier is extremely sensitive about this; he wishes to be considered a fighting soldier with equal duties and consequently equal rights.

In the course of talks with officers and tps of the Combat Groups and 228, 210, 231 and 209 Divs I have at least heard gratitude for the treatment they have received from Fifth and Eighth Armies and from 15 Army Group.

2. However, there are also wishes which have not yet been fulfilled and I will set them out frankly as a soldier, certain that they will be perfectly understood:-

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finally, our soldiers are very sensitive about various declarations of politicians reported in the papers, often contrary to our national aspirations. They want the position of Italy to be made known. They wish to be considered as allies; they want to be certain that when the common victory comes, Italy will continue to have full independence, her own soil, her natural boundaries acquired during the War of 1915 - 1918, her old colonies (Eritrea - Somaliland - Libya) transformed by a long and arduous period of labour.

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SUBJECT:- Italian W.V.S.

SECRET

Main Headquarters,
EIGHTH ARMY, CMF.
Tele Ext: 90.

M 5l9 CL

16 Mar 45

18 MAR 1945

G.1(Ops)
G.1(I)
G.1(SD)
G.1(Plans)

Copy to: ~~M.M.I.A.~~

Reference attached signal.

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Nucleo "I"
att GSI(CL)
Main HQ Eighth Army CMF.

Mar 45.

Memorandum by Lt.-Col. di Villanova.

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b. They should therefore be paid.

c. They should be divided into -

i. Qualified red-cross nurses.
ii. Workers in hospital canteens etc.
iii. Ambulance drivers.

3. The following establishment for each Group is suggested after discussion with the Staffs of the Groups.

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	Each Field Hospital (2)	- 6
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	Field Hospitals	- 6
Ambulance Drivers		- 4
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6. Pay

Arrangements are already being made for Red Cross nurses to be paid at the rate of 2/Lieuts. It is suggested that other volunteers should be paid as serjeants. The question of pay, like that of "militarisation" is best taken up with the Italian War Ministry when the scheme has already got going. -

(Sgd) C di VILLANOVA

Lt Col

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TO : 15 ARMY GP

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Eighteenth Army

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SUBJECT:- Cigarettes

50 BLU
51 BLU
53 BLU
228 Div.

Major.
Land Forces Sub Comd. 8A.
(M.M.L.O.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

M3/119
17 Mar 45.

Copy to : Rear 5 Corps.
Rear 10 Corps.
26 BLU att Rear 2Polcorps.
Lt-Col. di BIASI.

1. The Army Commander has ordered the release of 10 cigarettes per head to all Italian tps under his command. These cigarettes are from the Army Commander's own fund and the nature of the gift should be made clear to the troops receiving them.

2. Cigarettes in accordance with quantities detailed below will be collected from Eighth Army Welfare Store, RIMINI at 1600 hrs 19 Mar from Lt-Col. di BIASI.

FRIULI I.C.G.	100,000	CREMONA I.C.G..	110,000
FOLGORE I.C.G.	100,000	228 Div.	170,000

3. HQ 228 Div will please ensure distribution to Evacuation Hospitals and similar Adm tail units of CREMONA and FRIULI Gruppi.

Bgcl 7237

Major,
MMLO HQ, Rear Eighth Army.

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Subject:- Gifts to the Army Commander.

From HQ EIGHTH ARMY. CMF.
R 14 WEL. Tel Ext. 205.
16 Mar 45.

MMIA LO Rear Army.

Copy to:- LA to Army Commander.

17 MAR 1945

1. The attached Releases D.37, D.38, D.39, and D.40 in respect of cigarettes from gifts to the Army Commander for your supervision of delivery by Lieut Col. De Blassi, Italian Welfare Officer, to Cremona Friuli and Folgore Gruppi and to 228 Div respectively are forwarded herewith.

2. This issue should be made on the basis of 10 Cigarettes per man on ration strength and it is requested that you ensure immediate distribution with information to each formation of the origin of this special allotment.

1400 - 19 Mar.

✓ FRIULI — 100,000. BLUE 50.
FOLGORE — 102,000. " 52
CREMONA — 110,000. " 51
Field. 228 — 170,000.

Lieutenant Colonel.
ADAWS EIGHTH ARMY.

WHC/R.

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SUBJECT: Welfare Service Officers.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(N.A.I.A.) ROME.
A/11.
11 Mar'45.

04 MAR 1945

To: Ministry of War.

Copies to: A.F.H. .
HQ 15 Army Group.
HQ Rear 5 Army.
HQ. Rear 8 Army.
HQ. No.3.District.

1. Reference CCS91/HQ. of 8th Feb.

2. In accordance with instructions for the administration of the Italian army, Italian officers trained for duties as welfare officers will be assigned to Italian formation HQs as follows:-

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(ii) It.Col.di Blasi at present attached to HQ Rear 8 Army, to HQ 220 Div. (MMIA letter to 8 Army A6/37 of 10 Feb refers).

(iii) Major Grugo at present attached to HQ 5 Army, to HQ 210 Div.

(iv) Major Fazio at present attached to HQ 3 District, to HQ 227 Div.

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No action Rqd. 14/3.

W. Pidsley Colonel

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for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Internal: A.D.A.H.C.

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DUTIES OF Lt-Col. DI BLASI,
ITALIAN ARMY WELFARE OFFICER - EIGHTH ARMY

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Copies given to A.D.A.G.S.
Gen TAMASSIA
L'Ufficiale di Collegamento.

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO (W) For Information (INFO)

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MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH Army

The attached letter has been returned by Welfare, EIGHTH Army.

It is thought that it was wrongly addressed, and should have been sent through you.

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REAR H.Q.,
EIGHTH ARMY

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COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "Friuli"
Uff.io del Capo di Stato Maggiore

N. 530 /Ass. di prot. P.M.79, 18 febbraio 1945.-

OGGETTO: Personale del servizio "Welfare".-

(31)

ALL"UFFICIO WELFARE" ITALIANI DELL'8^ ARMATA
(rif.f.n. 30/W/I del 1° febb.45)

PM 64.

Con riferimento al foglio sopraindicato si comunica che:

1)- a questo Gruppo è stato assegnato per l'ufficio Assistenza il Maggiore Migroni che ha frequentato il corso "Welfare" .-
Quanto sopra risulta da una comunicazione avuta dal 50 R.L.U., nulla in proposito è pervenuto dal Ministero Guerra.-

2)- Gli ufficiali del Gruppo incaricati dell'Assistenza sono:

- Ten.Col.	LIBERTI	Gerardo	- Comando Gruppo
- Magg.	COLATEI	Emilio	- 87° rgt.ftr.
- Tenente	BARISONE	Ezio	- 88° rgt.ftr.
- "	PERUZZI	Giuseppe	- 35° rgt.art.
- "	DI GIOVANNI	Francesco	- Rep.Trasp.e Riformim.

Coadiuvano tali ufficiali i Cappellani dei reparti, degli Ospedali,da campo e della Sezione Sanità.-

Gli ufficiali dei rgt. e dei btg. autonomi hanno però altri incarichi in quanto l'organico non prevede l'assegnazione di un ufficiale addetto esclusivamente all'Assistenza.-

GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "FRIULI" UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

d'ordine 1229
IL TEN.COL. CAPO DI S.M.
- G. Vedovato -

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FROM WELFARE MNIA 051000A

TO REAR EIGHTARMY

INFO MINISTRY OF WAR FOR WELFARE

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WEL/9 . RESTRICTED .

FOR MNIA LO . [redacted] MINISTRY OF WAR SIGNAL REF 01562 OF 26 NR.

FEB TO CREMONA . QUOTE . REQUEST LIEUT

LASTRIGATI WITH EQUIPMENT REPORT THIS HQ SOONEST

FOR SHORT MISSION OVERSEAS . UNQUOTE . NO REPLY RECIVED .

REQUEST YOU INSTRUCT CREMONA REPLY

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FROM WELFARE MMIA 011624A

TO REAR HQ 5ARMY REAR HQ 5ARMY DISTONE

INFO MINISTY OF WAR FOR WELFARE

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FOR MMIA LO (.) DIRECTOR ITALIAN WELFARE GEN TAMASSIA ACCOMPANIED BY ONE STAFF OFFICER DESIRES VISIT ITALIAN FORMATIONS 7-15 MAR TO DISCUSS WELFARE PROBLEMS (.)

DATES OF VISITS AS FOLLOWS (.)

DISTONE 7 5 ARMY 8 AND 9 8 ARMY 10 TO 15 (.)

REQUEST YOU OBTAIN AND SIGNAL APPROVAL (.)

CONSIDERED IMPORTANT TO IMPROVEMENT WELFARE

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Rear H.Q. Eighth Army,
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"	"Cremona" Combat Gp.	3000	" " "
"	"Friuli" Combat Gp.	3000	" " "
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RIMINI	409° Regt I.P.	500	85 Area.
PESARO	2° Compagnia 502° Btg S.C.	620	207 Sub Area.
FANO.	520° Battaglione .G.	465	61 Area) c/o
"	Centro add Salmerie	230	61 Area)59 Com
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RIMINI	409° Regt I.P.	500	86 Area.
PESARO	2° Compagnie 520° Btg C.C.	320	207 Sub Area.
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- S.M.- Sezione Servizi -

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n° 624/Serv. di prot. — 2.M.16, li 26 Febbraio 1945

O G G E T T O : Giornale "Patria"

A TUTTI I DIPENDENTI — = IORO SEDI =

(diramazione cetera fino ai comandi di compagnia o reparti autonomi)

Sarà iniziata fra breve la diramazione ai reparti dipendenti del quotidiano "Patria".

MODALITA' :

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ROCCA S. CASCIANO	Comando 16° Gruppo Pionieri	1	120	per i reparti dislocati nella zona Rocca S.Casciano - S.Sofia di Romagna - S.Benedetto in Alpe
CASTROCARO	presso 26 B.L.U.	1,40	40	per la 209^ Cp.Pionieri
FORLI	5° [illegible] - A.F.H.Q. Posta Mil.Allegata	2,30	320	di cui 300 per i reparti dislocati in zona Faenza 150 per i reparti dislocati in zona Ravenna
CESENA	Uffici A. Publication presso Rear 5^ Armata	3	600	per i reparti dislocati nella zona Cesena - Savignano - Gambettola - Longiano
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RIMINI	86^ Area - E.L.S.(Posta Militare)	5	500	per i reparti dislocati nella zona Rimini - Viserba - Riccione - Cattolica
PESARO	207 Sub-Area (ex 3 Beach Group)	6	620	per i reparti dislocati nella zona Pesaro - Fano - Chiaravalle - Jesi

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2.- i Centri postali di Rocca S.Casciano (Comando 207^ Compagnia Pionieri) - Forlì (Comando I/412° Reggimento Pionieri) - Cesena (Ufficio P.M.16) - Rimini (Comando 505° Btg. Guardie) - Pesaro (Ufficio del Vice-Comandante 228^ Div.) e la 209^ Compagnia Pionieri (Castrocaro) provvederanno:

- al ritiro dei giornali dagli Enti succitati;
- alla ripartizione degli stessi ai reparti che vi si appoggeranno come da allegato n° 1 ed in base alla loro forza media.

3.- I reparti a loro volta cureranno giornalmente il ritiro dei giornali dai detti Centri avvalendosi di ogni mezzo a loro disposizione o, previ accordi diretti, di quelli dei reparti di stanza nella stessa sede o vicinieri o del servizio postale.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F.to (Attilio Tomaselli)

P. p...c...c.
IL TEN.COL.CAPO DI ...
(Luigi Morrica)

COMANDO 228 DIVISIONE
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Centro postale		Reparti ai quali va distribuito	Forza media	N O T E
Rocca S.Casciano (207^ Cp.Pionieri)	a) Reparti in Forlì	Com.405° Rgt.I.P.	80	
		208^Cp.Pionieri	160	
		207^ " "	165	
		208^ " "	170	
209^ Cp.Pionieri		209^Cp.Pionieri	160	
Forlì (I/412° Reggimento Pionieri	b) Reparti in Ravenna	Com.I/412° I.P.	20	
		Com.I/405° "	20	
		153^Cp.Pionieri	180	
		154^ " "	170	
		155^ " "	190	
		217^ " "	180	
		241^ " "	160	
		Com.920°Btg.Genio	12	
		3^ Cp. Genieri	185	
		10^ " "	180	
		53°Rep.It.per 723	110	
		31^Cp.Ferrovieri	170	
		498^Cp.Contr.Traff.	200	
		92° Osp.da Campo	60	
		2000 Pl-266/1 A.C.	45	
		610°Nucleo AP.C.	40	
		93° Pl.Mascherat.	35	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Forlì a cura della 4^Cp.Genieri che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
		205^Cp.Pionieri	165	
		237^ " "	200	
		4^ Cp.Genieri	180	
		3^Cp/505° Guardie	115	
		2^Sez.per 759 F.C.	20	
	c) Reparti in Faenza	155^Cp.Pionieri	165	Il pacco giornali sarà recapitato giornalmente al Centro
		162^ " "	170	
		201^ " "	135	

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Rocca S.Casciano (207^ Cp.Pionieri)		Com.405° Rgt.I.P.	80	
		203^Cp.Pionieri	160	
		207^ " "	165	
		208^ " "	170	
209^ Cp.Pionieri		209^Cp.Pionieri	160	
		Com.I/412° I.P.	20	
		Com.I/405° "	20	
		153^Cp.Pionieri	180	
		154^ " "	170	
		155^ " "	190	
		217^ " "	180	
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		Com.920°Btg.Genio	12	
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		92° Osp.da Campo	60	
		2000 Pl-266/1 A.C.	45	
		610°Nucleo AP.C.	40	
Forlì (I/412° Reggimento Pionieri	(a) Reparti in Forlì	93° Pl.Mascherat.	35	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Forlì a cura delle 4^Cp.Genieri che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
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		4^ Cp.Genieri	180	
		3^Cp/505° Guardie	115	
		2^Sez.per 769 F.C.	20	
	(b) Reparti in Ravenna	156^Cp.Pionieri	165	Il pacco giornali sarà recapitato giornalmente al Centro postale di Faenza a cura del Com.I/412° Rgt.I.P.- Il Centro di Faenza provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
		162^ " "	170	
		201^ " "	135	
		239^ " "	150	
		240^ " "	150	
		240^ " "	140	
	(c) Reparti in Faenza	6^ Cp. Genieri	210	
		7^ " "	210	

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Cesena (Ufficio Posta Militare 16	(a) Reparti in Cesena	Quartier Gen.228^	200	
		7^2^Sez. CC.RR.	45	
		163^Cp.Pionieri	190	
		Com.II/405° I.P.	20	
		1^Cp/522°Guardie	160	
		21^ Cp.Ferrovieri	225	
		Rep.Ordin.8^Arm.	115	
		292° Osp.da Campo	60	
		230° Osp.da Campo	70	
		Com. Tappa 214	35	
		Nucleo "I"	200	
		Nucleo C.S.	95	
		210^Cp.Mista Coll.	170	
	(b) reparti in Savignano-Gambettola-Longiano	218^Cp.Pionieri	185	Il pacco giornali sarà recapitato a cura dell'Ufficio Posta Mil. 16
		215^ " "	185	
		180^ Sez. Radiocontrollo	50	
Rimini (Comando 505° Battaglione	(c) reparti in Rimini	Com.505°Btg.Guardie	30	
		2^Cp/505° " "	150	
		4^ " " " "	135	
		Com.409°Rgt.I.P.	35	
		Com.I/409° "	20	
		157^Cp.Pionieri	205	
		158^ " "	200	
		499°Dep.Man.Segnal.	40	
		4^Cp/516° Guardie	120	
		1^Cp/517° "	200	
		614°Nucleo A.P.C.	40	
		514^Sez.Linee Tel.	90	
	(d) reparti in Viserba	Com.516° Guardie	20	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Rimini a cura del Com.516° Btg. Guardie che provve-
		1^Cp/516° "	125	
		2^ " " "	110	
		3^ " " "	120	
		164^Cp.Pionieri	165	
		615°Nucleo AP.C.	45	

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		215^ " "	185	
		180^ Sez. Radiocontrollo	50	
Rimini (Comando 505° Battaglione Guardie	a) reparti in Rimini	Com.505°Btg.Guardie	30	
		2^Cp/505° " "	150	
		4^ " " " "	135	
		Com.409°Rgt.I.P.	35	
		Com.I/409° "	20	
		157^Cp.Pionieri	205	
		158^ " "	200	
		499°Dep.Man.Segnal.	40	
		4^Cp/516° Guardie	120	
		1^Cp/517° "	200	
		614°Nucleo A.P.C.	40	
		514^Sez.Linee Tel.	90	
	b) reparti in Viserba	Com.516° Guardie	20	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Rimini a cura del Com.516° Btg. Guardie che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati.
		1^Cp/516° "	125	
		2^ " " "	110	
		3^ " " "	120	
		164^Cp.Pionieri	165	
		615°Nucleo AP.C.	45	
	c) Reparti in Riccione	Com.XIII Ferrovieri	20	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Rimini a cura del Com. XIII Btg.Ferr.che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati.
		1001°Rep/Autieri	355	
		Nucleo Aut.CC.RR.	210	
		2003 Pl-266/1 A.C.	30	

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Segue Rimini	a) Rep.in Bella reparti in laria-Gatolica Cattolica - Gervia	238 Cp.Pionieri 242 Cp.Pionieri 616 Bis Nucleo APC.	200 150 30	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro di Rimini e recapitato ai reparti controelencati a cura del Com. 409° Rgt. Pionieri.
		1051°Rep.Carristi 211^Cp.Pionieri 8^Cp.Genieri 216^Cp.Pionieri	270 220 200	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Rimini a cura dell'8^Cp.Genieri e consegnati al"Centro postale" di Cattolica che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
Pesaro (Ufficio del Vice-Comandante 228^ Divisione	a) reparti in Pesaro	Ufficio Vice-Com. Nucleo Deleg."A" Com.II/409° I.P. 1^Cp/505° Guardie 3^Cp/522° " 5^Cp.Genieri 617°Nucleo AP.C. 806°Campo It.Trans. Com.Tappa per Gruppi Combatt. n° 58	20 20 115 130 190 20 40	
	b) reparti in Fano	291°Osp.da Campo 290^Comp.Sanità 2^Cp.Ferrovieri 8^ " "	60 280 155 220	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Pesaro a cura della 2^Cp.Ferrovieri che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
	c) reparti in Cattolica Gervalle	Com.522° Guardie 3^Cp/522° "	25 95	I pacchi giornali saranno recapitati gi...

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	(e) reparti in Cattolica	1051°Rep.Carristi	270	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Rimini a cura dell'8^Cp.Genieri e consegnati al"Centro postale" di Cattolica che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
		211^Cp.Pionieri	220	
		8^Cp.Genieri	200	
		216^Cp.Pionieri		
	(a) reparti in Pesaro	Ufficio Vice-Com.	20	
		Nucleo Deleg."A"		
		Com.II/409° I.P.	20	
		1^Cp/505° Guardie	115	
		3^Cp/522° "	130	
		5^Cp.Genieri	190	
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		806°Campo It.Trans.	40	
		Com.Tappa per Gruppi Combatt. n° 58		
Pesaro (Ufficio del Vice-Comandante 228^ Divisione	(b) reparti in Fano	291°Osp.da Campo	60	Il pacco giornali sarà ritirato giornalmente al Centro postale di Pesaro a cura della 2^Cp.Ferrovieri che provvederà alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati
		290^Comp.Sanità	280	
		2^Cp.Ferrovieri	155	
		8^ " "	220	
	(c) reparti in Chiaravalle	Com.522° Guardie	25	I pacchi giornali saranno recapitati giornalmente ai Centri stali di Chiaravalle e Jesi a cura dell'Ufficio del Vice-Comandante
		3^Cp/522° "	95	
		204^Cp.Pionieri	150	
		206^ " "	165	

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Centro postale	Reparti ai quali va distribuito	Forza media	N O T E
segue Pesa-	Com.517° Guardie	20	dette usufruendo
ro (d)	2^Cp./517° "	170	ternativamente di
	4^ " " "	170	mezzi a disposizione
	14^Cp.Recupero Au toveicoli	160	del Vice-Comando del Com.II/40[illegible] Pionieri.
	Gruppo Patrioti "Maiella"	700	I Centri di Chieti valle e Jesi provvederanno alla ripartizione ai reparti controelencati.

NOTA: Variazioni al presente specchio saranno comunicate di volta in volta da questo Comando.-

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RESTRICTED

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Subject:- Italian Rest Camp - Beds

25 FEB 1945

119.

HQ 86 (Army) Area,
CMF

Q 40

25 Feb 45

170 CE Wks

Copy to:- 82 Wksp & Pk Coy SAEC
MMIA LO, Rear HQ Eighth Army
2 (Br) CRU

1. 'A' Branch Eighth Army have requested that 35 double-tier buds out of those being made for 2 (Br) CRU be made available for the Ital Convalescent Camp at Villa Verucchio.

2. May this HQ please be notified when the next 35 are available so that arrangements can be made to collect them.

Lt.-Col.,
AA & Q.M.G.,
86 (Army) Area.

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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I. F. A. HQ. -
- S.M. - Sezione Servi-

24 FEB 1945

n.592/Serv.di prot. P.M.16, li 24 Febbraio 1945

OGGETTO : - Giornale " Patria " .-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army = C. M. F. =

In relazione alle intese verbali con V.S. comunico che il giornale in oggetto potrà essere distribuito come segue :

18 Plat Gp (0100 hrs)	- Centro postale Rocca S.Casciano presso la 207ª Compagnia Pionieri	copie 120:	per i reparti dislocati in zona
26 BLU (0140)	- 209ª Compagnia Pionieri- Castrocaro	" 40	==
5 Corps APO (0230)	- Centro postale Forlì(presso Comando I/412° Reggimento Pionieri)	" 820	di cui 300 per i reparti dislocati a Faenza 150 per i reparti dislocati a Ravenna
A Pubs (0300)	- Centro postale Cesena(Ufficio Posta Militare 16)	" 600:	per i reparti dislocati in zona
6th Armd ELS (0500)	- Centro postale Rimini(presso Comando 505 Battaglione Guardie)	" 500	idem
207 Sub Area (0600)	- Centro postale Pesaro(presso Vice-Comando 228ª Divisione)	" 620	idem (inclusa la "Maiella)
	Totale	copie 2700	

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I centri succitati provvederanno a loro volta alla ulteriore distribuzione dei giornali ai reparti che vi si appoggiano.=

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

228 & A Pubs

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O G G E T T O : - Giornale " Patria " .-

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

= C. M. F. =

In relazione alle intese verbali con V.S. comunico che il giornale in oggetto potrà essere distribuito come segue :

- Centro postale Rocca S.Casciano presla la 207ª Compagnia Pionieri	copie	120	per i reparti dislocati in zona
- 209ª Compagnia Pionieri- Castrocaro	"	40	==
- Centro postale Forlì(presso Comando I/412° Reggimento Pionieri)	"	820	di cui 300 per i reparti dislocati a Faenza 150 per i reparti dislocati a Ravenna
- Centro postale Cesena(Ufficio Posta Militare 16)	"	600	per i reparti dislocati in zona
- Centro postale Rimini(presso Comando 505 Battaglione Guardie)	"	500	idem
- Centro postale Pesaro(presso Vice-Comando 228ª Divisione)	"	620	idem (inclusa la "Maiella)
Totale	copie	2700	

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

A Tomaselli.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Rest Camp

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Rear HQ EIGHTH Army, G.T
Tel Nat 210

E 2030 A

23 Feb 45

"A" HQ 36 Area

Copy to:- "Q2" Rear HQ Eighth Army
MILO IO Rear HQ Eighth Army

1. Further to this HQ letter of even reference dated 15 Dec 1944.

2. An additional 35 double tier beds are required. May these please be supplied as soon as possible.

Field.
T/T.

for Thomas Agnew
Major A.A.S.C.
Adjutant 214
DA. & QMG.
EIGHTH ARMY.

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM 82

Register No.

Call	No.	Priority

Transmission Instructions

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Office Date Stamp

FROM (A) Originator: MMIA Rear Army.

Date - Time of Origin: 201925A

For Action

Welfare, Rear Army

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR —

Originator's No. MM353

Restricted Q Extended copy of MMIA letter AQ/27 d 17 Feb to passed for info and return to this office earliest

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS { EXCEPT ..... WIRELESS

Signed Bg Lawrence Hunt Maj

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

Signed

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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Time cleared		

1632, GHQP

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SUBJECT : Rest Hc al Rome.

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Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/27.
17 Feb'45.

Distribution

MMIA-LO. Rear HQ 8th Army
" " " " 5th Army
" " HQ 1 District
" " " 2 District
" " " 3 District
" " " R.A.A.C.
~~AQ.Circulator~~.

Copy to MMIA Welfare.

The attached copy of instructions for the Italian Ministry of War is forwarded for information.

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT: Rest Hostel Rome.

(24)

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/27.
14 Feb'45.

Gabinetto,
Ministry of War.

Copy - Ufficio di Benessere del Soldato,Ministry of War.
A.D.A.W.S. MMIA.

1. Ref. 0017/BS of 15 Jan.

2. Authority has now been given by AFHQ for the release of rations for the rest hostel situated at Via Guidobaldo 24. The operation of this hostel and release of rations for it are therefore approved subject to the provisions of this letter.

3. The rest hostel is to be for the use of personnel of the Italian army,navy and air force (in fair proportions)whose families live in enemy occupied territory.

4. A copy of the bulk allotment of vacancies made by you should be forwarded to this HQ.

5. Each man proceeding to the camp must be in possession of a printed temporary duty pass in duplicate,in accordance with the attached specimen,signed by his commander. In order to facilitate movement through areas occupied by Allied troops the pass should be countersigned wherever possible by a Allied officer preferably of MMIA or a liaison officer.

6. One copy of the pass will be retained by the man and handed in to his unit on return. The second copy will be handed in to the rest camp.

7. Rations.

7209

a; Rations will be drawn daily from the Italian Military Ration Depot Rome,on the authorized scale for Italian Military.

b. Rations will be drawn on the basis of the actual strength, not exceeding an authorized strength of 500.

c. Rations will be drawn by using MMIA Form ST/8 in the same manner as a unit of the Italian Army.

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c. Rations will be drawn by using MMIA Form ST/8 in the same manner as a unit of the Italian Army.

d. All rations will be receipted for by an officer representative of the staff of the Rest Camp.

e. A ration strength return will be forwarded to reach HQ MMIA by the 5th.of each month for the preceding month,showing the number of rations drawn by category,i.e.ITI-ITI,BR-ITI, and US-ITI. This ration return will be supported by duplicate copy of the soldier's authorized pass. Those passes will be grouped in order of the report,that is,ITI-ITI,BR-ITI, and US-ITI.

f;

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7. f: It will be the responsibility of the Camp Commandant to insure that the rations are prepared so that they will be appetizing to the soldiers and care will be exercised to insure that the civilian personnel assisting the staff of the Rest Camp do not consume the Military rations which are drawn for the soldiers, since they will be subsisted on the regular civilian rations

8. This authority to draw rations covers only service men visiting the camp and is not an authority to draw rations for the permanent staff.

9. It is agreed that the stay of each man at the camp will be seven nights.

/S W.PIDSLEY,
Colonel.

for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Identity Card N°.....

Validity expires..... Signature.....

DUTY PASS

Permission is given to.....
..... of(unit).....
to proceed from..... to.....ROME.....
via.....ROAD.TRANSPORT..... .....and return
Date of outward journey.....120
Reason of travel.....TEMPORARY.DUTY.....
Purpose of journey.....ATTACHMENT.TO.CASA.DI.SOGGIORNO.....
.....VIA.GUIDOBALDO.24,.ROME.....

The bearer of this pass will not be interfered with.

..... Commanding.

date

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Identity Card N°.....

Validity expires..... Signature.....

DUTY PASS

Permission is given to.....
..... of(unit).....
to proceed from..... to.....ROME.....
via.....ROAD.TRANSPORT..... .....and return
Date of outward journey.....1208
Reason of travel.....TEMPORARY.DUTY.....
Purpose of journey.....ATTACHMENT.TO.CASA.DI.SOGGIORNO.....
.....VIA.GUIDOBAIDO.24,.ROME.....

The bearer of this pass will not be interfered with.

..... Commanding.

..... date

..... Countersigned.

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COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE
- I.F.A. HQ. -
1ª Sezione - Ordinamento e Servizi -

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Nº 380/2/h/Ord. di prot. P.M. 16, li 1 Febbario 1945

Received 5 Feb

OGGETTO: Campo di Riposo di Verrucchio.-

Allegati: 1 -

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army

C M F

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1.- Trasmetto nell'allegato 1 una proposta di organico per il Campo di riposo di Verrucchio, per la forza complessiva di 200 militari.

2.- Dei due autòmezzi inclusi in detto organico almeno uno sarebbe subito necessario per completare al più presto l'organizzazione del Campo di riposo.

3.- Inoltre poichè attualmente detto Campo di riposo dispone di soli 40 lettini biposto, prego voler cortesemmante interessare il Comando dell'Armata affinchè venga disposta l'assegnazione presso la 86ª Area di altri 35 lettini biposto.-

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE · HQ. · I.F.A.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

Tomaselli

35 letti bianchi

1206

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Allegati:1 -

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
Rear HQ Eighth Army C M F

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1.- Trasmetto nell'allegato 1 una proposta di organico per il Campo di riposo di Verrucchio, per la forza complessiva di 200 militari.

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3.- Inoltre poichè attualmente detto Campo di riposo dispone di soli 40 lettini biposto, prego voler cortesemnte interessare il Comando dell'Armata affinchè venga disposta l'assegnazione presso la 86^ Area di altri 35 lettini biposto.-

COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE - I. F. A. HQ.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Attilio Tomaselli)

Received 5 Feb

35 double bunks.

Blankets - Fpl: 1½3
1+1 Stan

Rations must be drawn as for patients
Shell & patients on separate ST. 8.s

Depot 15 Feb.

PA
Rgcot.

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Allegato al f° 380/2/H/Ord. in data 30/1/45

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PROPOSTA ORGANICO PER CASA DI RIPOSO DI VERRUCCHIO

Ufficiali	2
Sottufficiali	1
Truppa	15
Automezzi	2

1.- PERSONALE

	PERSONALE			
	Ufficiali	Sottufficiali	Truppa	Totale
Direttore (Maggiore e Capitano)	1			1
Ufficiale subalterno	1			1
Totale ufficiali	2			2
Sottufficiale di contabilità		1		1
Cucinieri			4	4
Magazziniere			1	1
Camerieri			3	3
Uomini di fatica			4	4
Aiutanti di sanità			1	1
Autieri			2	2
Totale sottuff.li e truppa		1	15	15
Totale Ufficiali - sottufficiali e truppa	2	1	15	18

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2.- MEZZI DI TRASPORTO

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Truppa	15
Automezzi	2

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	Ufficiali	Sottufficiali	Truppa	Totale
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Ufficiale subalterno	1			1
Totale ufficiali	2			2
Sottufficiale di contabilità		1		1
Cucinieri			4	4
Magazziniere			1	1
Camerieri			3	3
Uomini di fatica			4	4
Aiutanti di sanità			1	1
Autieri			2	2
Totale sottuff.li e truppa		1	15	15
Totale Ufficiali - sottufficiali e truppa	2	1	15	18

2.- MEZZI DI TRASPORTO

- Automezzi di 3 Ton. per servizi del campo	1
- " " 15 cwt a disposizione del Comandante	1
	2

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SUBJECT: Italian Army Newspaper.

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Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AG/27.
21 Feb'45.

R&O'd 28 FEB 1945

#5.

119.

HQ. 15 Army Group (BS)

1. Approval has been received from AFHQ under authority of CR/2804/G-1(Br) for the publication of a newspaper for the Italian army to be named "La Patria".

2. Arrangements have been made to publish the paper in three editions at Florence, Rome and Bari. These three units will work in co-operation, for advisory purposes, with the British Army Newspaper units concerned.

3. Authority has now been given to the Italian War Ministry to publish initially at Florence and Rome. The Bari unit will publish when final details of personnel and transport have been completed.

4. Distribution Italian troops in 5th and 8th Army areas will be served from Florence. Italian troops in Central Italy and Sardinia will be served from Rome. Southern Italy and Sicily will be covered by the Bari edition on publication.

W. Darley-Evans
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Copies -
HQ.2 District.
HQ.Rome Allied Area Command.
MMIA-LO. 5 Army.
" " 5 Army (for att.Br.Inf.)
" " 8 Army.
" " No.1 District.
MMIA-LO. 52 BIU.
" " 53 BIU.
" " 56 BIU.
" " HQ ICF.
" " Trans Comp (c/o Sigs Office Barletta)

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W.P. Darley Colonel
for Major General,
A.M.I.A.

1202

Copies -
HQ. 2 District.
HQ. Rome Allied Area Command.
AMIA-LO. 5 Army.
" " 5 Army (for att. Br. Inter.)
" " 8 Army.
" " No 1 District.
" " No 3 District.
" " 54 Area.
" " c/o PBS. Southern District.
" " Thru A.C. Sardinia.
" " HQ Region 1 A.C. Sicily.
" " Taranto (c/o 52 Area)
" " ST Andrew Camp Taranto.
" " Med LO. c/o ADMS 5K Area.
AMIA-LO. 52 BIU.
" " 53 BIU.
" " 56 BIU.
" " HTO ICF.
" " Trani Camp (c/o Sigs office Barletta)
Ministry of War.
O.C. BAMU.
A.D.A.F.S. AMIA.

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SUBJECT:- NISSEN Huts

Rear HQ Eighth Army CMF.
Tel Ext: 217
R 2809 Q
21 Feb 45

21 FEB 1945

86 Area

Copy to:- RE Hutting Dump, PESARO.
E Main Army
Welfare
MMIALO

The release of three NISSEN huts for Italian Welfare Centre is authorised from RE Hutting Dump, PESARO, on presentation of enclosed tickets Nos. 944 - 946.

J. H. Tweedale, Major
for
Brigadier,
DA & QMG, Eighth Army.

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File

6 corps
20 S.&.D.
Welfare, Our Eighth Army.

Arty guide to 228 Div.

Subject:- Identification of Italian [illegible] to this establishment.

Major, G.S.,
HQ's AG, Base Eighth Army.
(A.P.O.).
C/S Base H, Eighth Army.
AG/119
21 Feb 45.

The attached copy of letter AG/47 dated 17 Feb 45 from H.Q. 5 Corps is forwarded for information.

Bgcl

Major, G.S.,
HQ's AG, Base Eighth Army.

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SUBJECT:- Admission of Italian Troops to Rest Establishments

Land Forces Sub Comd. A.C.
(A.M.L.O.) NAPLES.

AG/427.
17 Feb 44.

Ministry of War
Ufficio di Comando del Maldista.

Copy to :

1 MILITARY Zone II) Eighth Army
" " III) Fifth Army (Rome)
" " IV) 1 District
" " V) 2 District
" " VI) 3 District.
Welfare ROMA

The following ruling, given by AFHQ under reference G(AG)2/G-1(Ops) dated 10 Feb 44, is forwarded for information.

"This entertainment is provided primarily for the benefit of British troops, but provided that their interests are not prejudiced local commanders may, at their discretion, admit to NAAFI performances any class of Italian soldier or any fellows acting in close co-operation with Allied troops. It follows that such permission will not be given if the attendance of ITALIANS would prevent British soldiers getting admission."

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(sgd) ? ? ? ? ? ? ? Lt-Col

for Major General,
A.A.G.

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SUBJECT: Admission of Italian Troops to ENSA Entertainments.

Ref. 18

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/27.
17 Feb'45.

Ministry of War
Ufficio di Benessere del Soldato.

Copy to:

MMIA-LO. Rear HQ 8th Army
" " HQ 5th Army (Br Inc)
" " HQ 1 District
" " HQ 2 District
" " HQ 3 District
Welfare MMIA
~~AQ Circulator~~.

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26 BLU.
Hospital

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Send copy to 5th Corps
+ Lst Base Rear Army
for info.

Bgde.

+ Spare for 228.

0919

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: MMHA Plear Carney — Date - Time of Origin: 10 Aug 45 A

For Action: Welfare, Plear Carney

TO (W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR

DTG & DATE STAMP: 10

Originator's No. MMHA

Restricted & Confidential copy of MMHA letter Aug 7 & 17 Ref re proposed trip to Far East returning to Manila via Pacific northern route

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1631 GHQ, FEC

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM Originator: [illegible] MEA DO ROAD EIGHTH ARMY — Date - Time of Origin: [illegible] 4

For Action: MEA ROE

TO

(W) For Information (INFO): 141

Office Date Stamp: [illegible] Sig Sec V-H

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No.

3632 GHQP

[illegible] 337 REPEATED (.) REF YOUR 1/173 OF 10 (.) DE STEFANO

MAY COME (.) WE HAVE AMG YELLOW PASS STATING FULL DETAILS

[illegible] 1195

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Time cleared		

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MESSAGE FORM

15 FEB 1945

From MMIA 1015 00A

TO REAR 8 ARMY

119

I 172 RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) 227 DIV REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO SEND CAPT DE STEFANO PRIMO TO RIMINI ON TWENTY DAYS COMPASSIONATE LEAVE (.) REQUEST AUTHORITY TO ISSUE LEAVE PASS

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATED V. F. Selby Lieut

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welfare rear [illegible]

[illegible] BELLA HOMES

BELLA rear [illegible] (by hand)

WIRE 320 (.) [illegible] (.) for [illegible] (.) no knowledge this hq of arrival of vehicle for [illegible] (.) request info etn and to whom ordered to report.

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Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY. CMF.
R 5538 MEL.

19 Jan 45.

Subject:- Italian Films.

DADAWS 5 Corps.
DADAWS 86 (Army) Area.
AKS Rear Eighth Army.
AKO Rear Eighth Army.

Copy to:- 31 AK Section.
32 AK Section.

1. The position of Italian Films has now been definitely settled. One film and one short have been collected from PWB Ancona and handed to No 31 AK Section for showing at Forli on the 21st Jan 45.
Two films and shorts are being collected from PWB Ancona by 32 AK Section. One of these programmes will be shown at Cesena on Monday 22nd and the other at Rimini on Tuesday 23 Jan.

2. AKO will please arrange for these three films to be interchanged between Sections weekly. When the circulation has been completed the three films will be exchanged for a similar number by PWB Ancona. AKO to please arrange.

3. DADAWS 5 Corps will make the Cinema in Forli available for the showing of these films weekly at 1000 hours on Wednesdays.
DADAWS 86 (Army) Area will make Cinemas at Cesena available at 1000 hours on Mondays and Rimini on Tuesdays.
This procedure will be carried out until further instructions are issued.

4. MMIA will please instruct Italian representatives to liaise with the respective DADAWS and AKS Sections for final details and notification of titles of films etc.

5. This letter cancels all previous instructions, any difficulties arising will be notified to this HQ.

Lieutenant Colonel.
ADAWS EIGHTH ARMY.

Field.
JEF/D.

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Subject:- Films - Italian. URGENT.

Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY, CMF.
R 5538 WEL.

14 Jan 45.

31 AKS, 5 Corps.
32 AKS, 86 (Army) Area.
86 (Army) Area.

Copy to:- AKO Eighth Army.
MMLA (Liaison Officer)
Rear HQ Eighth Army.
Lt Col Di Blasi, Italian
Welfare, Eighth Army.

1. 1 Film Italian is available for routing:-

Sunday 21 Jan 45 - FORLI.
Monday 22 Jan 45 - CESENA.
Tuesday 23 Jan 45 - RIMINI.

2. Film to be collected by 31 AKS from PWB Main HQ Eighth Army and handed over to 32 AKS for shewing in RIMINI.

3. 31 AKS and 32 AKS to liaise in order to co-ordinate this routing.

4. It is hoped that a film will be available for routing as above weekly.

Field.
J./W.

Lieutenant Colonel,
ADAWS EIGHTH ARMY.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Rest Camps.

Rear HQ EIGHTH Army, CAF

R 24090 A

16 Dec 44.

"A" HQ 86 Area

Copy to:- Q2
MMIA

1. Reference this HQ R 24090 A dated 18 Dec 44.

2. Please delete para 4 sub paras (b), (c) and (d).

3. Commander 228 Division has stated that -

(i) ref para (b). Personnel proceeding on leave will bring their own bedding and palliasses will be provided from Italian sources.

(ii) ref para (c). Personnel proceeding on leave will bring their own eating utensils and additional items will be provided from Italian sources.

(iii) ref para (d). Cooking utensils will be provided from Italian sources.

for Brigadier,
DA. & QMG.
EIGHTH ARMY.

Field.
AF/B.

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Subject:- RE Services

HQ 86 (Army) Area,
CMF

Q 48

21 Dec 44

291 Wks Sec RE

Copy to:- MMIA, Rear HQ Eighth Army

1. An Italian Rest Camp for 80 men at the GIARDINO D'INFANZIA VILLA VERUCCHIO (R 7483) is to open as soon as possible.

2. Will you please carry out the following work :-

(a) Repairs to windows
(b) Repairs to water pump
(c) Overhaul drainage system

3. Please also examine the possibility of connecting the building to RIMINI electric supply when that becomes available. Please report on this.

Lt.-Col.,
AA & QMG,
86 (Army) Area.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
MAIN HQ, EIGHTH ARMY
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To: P.W.B. FILM SECTION
c/o Signal Office
HQ 61 AREA

P/4
of
21 Dec 44

SUBJECT: Films for Italian Troops

1. Reference your letter of 19 Dec 44.

2. Your para 2. Until such time as this HQ receives instructions regarding the use of films in your stockroom for showings to the Italian Army, you will supply the Italian Army with whatever film they need according to the arranged schedule.

There is no need to dub British and American films into the Italian language: the same films, with the sub-titles in Italian, which you show the Italian civilians will, I am certain, please the Italian troops, particularly the News shorts which have already the Italian Sound Track on the film.

3. Your para 3. You will receive in due course the film which is still in PESARO.

Albert E. Althoon Capt
Lt.Col.
O.C., P.W.B., EIGHTH ARMY.

IN THE FD.
T.C.*

Copy to: Welfare, Rear HQ, EIGHTH Army
MMIA
O.C., P.W.B., 15 ARMY GROUP
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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
MAIN HQ, EIGHTH ARMY
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(8)

TO: Film Section PWB,
HQ 61 Area, CMF .

OGETTO:- Pellicole per truppe Italiane.

1. Con riferimento alla vostra del 19 Dicembre 44.

2. Vostro paragrafo 2. Sino a quando questo Comando non ricevera apposite istruzioni riguardanti l'impiego di pellicole in vostro deposito, per spettacoli all' Esercito Italiano, voi fornirete l'Esercito Italiano con qualsiasi pellicola abbisogni seguendo le disposizioni prevviste.

Non vi è bisogno di doppiare le pellicole Inglesi o Americane in lingua Italiana: Sono convinto che gli stessi film con scritte italiane che presentate ai civili piaceranno anche alle Truppe italiane, specialmente, i documentari che gia sono doppiati in italiano.

3. Vostro paragrafo 3. Riceverete a suo tempo il film che é ancora in Pesaro.

Albert E. Cathcart Capt.
Lt. Col.,
O.C. PWB, EIGHTH ARMY.

Field,
++TC++

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P.W.B.
Main HEADQUARTERS,
EIGHTH ARMY,
C.M.F.

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O.C.
MAIAP

Enclosed please find
the letter I have written
this morning re: films.

Could you arrange to
have the original handed
to Sig. Gangaimi (Films
Section in Ancona) by
the Officer or Soldier of
the Italian Army who
is to collect the films.

Should there be any
trouble about this from our
man in Ancona,

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would you be good enough
to let me know immediately.

Meanwhile, I have made
a strong complaint against
the attitude of the PWB
representative of the Film
Section in Ancona; this
complaint was made
through our channels
at 15 A.G.

The O.C. of this Unit
is very sorry that this
delay should have
happened.

Gilbert E. Arthur
Capt.

21 Dec 44

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SUBJECT:- It lian Personnel - elfare.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA)
c/o Rear HQ ~~EIGHTH~~ ARMY
MM/1~~4~~6

20 Dec 44.

No.1 Rly. C & M Gp. RE.

Copy to :- Welfare Officer
AMG Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

Can you please forward to the second addressee any infm concerning the whereabouts and welfare of an Italian soldier LOSARDO, Raffaello? His last known address was given as c/o your Gp.

Lt-Col. G.S.
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

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SUBJECT:-Whereabouts and Welfare. AMG Mr. EIGHTH ARMY REAR

19 December 1944

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M.M.I.A.
Eighth Army Rear

1) Inquiry has been received requesting information regarding the present whereabouts and welfare of LOSARDO Raffaello. His last known address was c/o No 1 HQ., Ry. Con; and Mtn. Group.P.

2) The enquiry was made by Southern Region, Allied Commission on behalf of Signor Losardo's family.

3) Any information regarding this Person should be forwarded to this HQ.

John W. Ballew.

JOHN W. BALLEW, Capt. Sp.Res.
Welfare Officer AMG 8th Army.

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For Action
rear 5 corps
rear 10 corps
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TO

(W) For Information (INFO)
med rear army
MHA — by lunai

— Message Instructions — | —GR—

Originator's No.

wel 2771 273 RESTRICTED (.) for welfare (.) ref R 5563 PAL of 18 dec (.) cartons despatched 19 dec (.) distribution includes providing all italian military personnel patients in med units under command your hq

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means (except ( ) wireless (.....)	If liable to be intercepted or to fall in to enemy hands, this message must be sent in CIPHER	Originator's Instruct Degree of priority	Time	System	Op
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FROM (A) welfare rear [illegible] Originator | Date-Time of Origin 19 A | — Office Date Stamp —

For Action

86 (army) area

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Med rear army
MMIA) by hand

— Message Instructions — 1 | —GR—

Originator's No.

WEL 280 RESTRICTED (.) for welfare (.) ref R 5563 WEL of 18 dec

cartons available your collection eighth army welfare stores (.)

distribution includes all italian military personnel patients in

med units under command your hq

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— Office Date Stamp —

FROM (A) Originator: welfare rear EIGHTARMY | Date-Time of Origin: 19 A

For Action: DADAS 1 cdn corps

TO

(W) For Information (INFO):

no 3 cdn gen hospital
med rear army)
MMIA) by hand

— Message Instructions — | —GR—

Originator's No.

WEL 279 RESTRICTED (.) ref R 5563 WEL of 18 dec cartons despatched 19 dec your hq and 3 cdn gen hospital (.) distribution includes provision for italian ~~xxxx~~ military personnel patients in med units under command your hq (.) request you inform 3 cdn gen hospital full details

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SUBJECT:- Italian Rest Camp.

Rear HQ EIGHTH Army, C&F

B.21090 A

Dec 44

HQ 86 Area

Copy to:- Q2 (Reference conversation 16 Dec AG&G2 - DAAG)
MMIA

1. A site has been chosen for an Italian Rest Camp for 80 men at JARDINO D'INFANSIA VILLA VERUCCHIO (R7483). It may be possible to extend the accommodation in the surrounding buildings.

2. Four Nuns live in the building and are willing to look after the Italian soldiers on leave.

3. Slight engineering work is necessary to put the buildings into full use. This consists of a small amount of window-lite, repairs to water pump and sanitary arrangements. The question of lighting will require to be examined. It may be possible to connect the building with the RUBINI supply.

4. The following stores are required.

(a) 40 double tier beds
(b) 240 blankets
(c) Crockery and feeding utensils for 80 men.
(d) Cooking utensils for 80 men
(e) If electric lighting is out of the question Hurricanelamps will be required.

5. It is requested that work be started asoonas as required under para 3 and that the requirements in para 4 be supplied as soon as possible.

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MMA

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Field.
M/B.

Brigadier,
DA. & QMG.
EIGHTH ARMY.

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Subject:- Christmas Gifts from the Army Commander
to Hospital Patients.

Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY. CMF.
R 5563 WEL.

18 Dec 44.

DADAWS 5 Corps.
DADAWS 10 Corps.
DADAWS 86(Army)Area.
DADAS 1 Cdn Corps.
HQ 26 BLU for 2 Polish Corps.

Copy to:- MA to the Army Commander.
DA & QMG Eighth Army.
DDMS Eighth Army.
HQ 12 AA Bde.
HQ 8 ACRE.
All Branches Main and Rear Army.

1. It is the wish of the Army Commander that every patient in Eighth Army Medical installations should receive a personal Gift on Christmas Day.

2. Each gift carton will contain -

(a) Christmas Greetings Card from the Army Commander.
(b) 50 Cigarettes.
(c) 1 Magazine.
(d) 4 ozs sweets.
(e) 2 ozs Nuts.
(f) 2 ozs Raisins.

3. In conjunction with Medical Branch this HQ an allocation has been made of these cartons for your distribution in liaison with your Medical Branch, of one carton to each patient of military personnel, irrespective of nationality, in every Medical Unit under command your HQ. 7177

4. Particular care must be taken to ensure that the most forward FDS has equal attention with the large General Hospital.

5. The consignment allotted, cartons, will be forwarded at once to your HQ and all arrangements must be completed immediately for delivery to the patients on the morning of Christmas Day.

W.H. Campbell Capt RA.
for Lieutenant Colonel.

Field.

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Field.
WHC/H.

W.H. Campbell Capt RA.
Lieutenant Colonel.
ADAWS EIGHTH ARMY.

Welfare will ring and confirm

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