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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRM-12/N/234

26 July 1947

Subject: MICROSCOPE LENT TO THE 1ST BRITISH AIRBORNE DIVISION.

To: THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES.

Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRM-12/N/28 dated 31 March 1947.
(b) Medical Directorate, General Headquarters, Central
Mediterranean Forces' ltr. M. 4380 dated 7 May 1947.

Enclosure: (A) Translation of Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No.
B.4192 dated 11 July 1947.
(B) Copy of receipt given by Captain Pedwon R.A.M.C.

1. The contents of reference (b) have been communicated to the Italian Navy authorities, but in view of the fact that the missing microscope is now No. 16510, enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded with the request that every possible effort may be made to locate and return this microscope to the Italian Navy, and that if necessary, Captain Pedwon be traced and asked to supply any relevant information.

2. In the event of microscope No. 16510 not being found, it is requested that consideration may be given to the possibility of replacing it by one held by the Royal Army Medical Corps in this theater, since it is understood that in accordance with the Hague Convention, medical equipment is not liable to capture.

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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26 JUL 1947

From: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY) (Office of the Secretary General)
To : Italian Naval Branch - A.F.H.Q.
Date: 11th July 1947
Ref.: B.4192

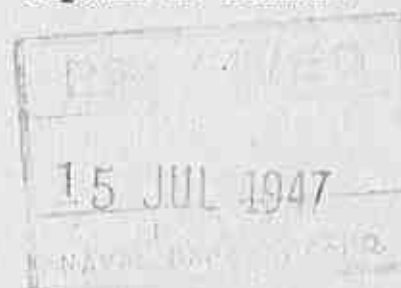
Subject: Microscope lent to the 1st British Airborne division.

Reference is made to your letter IRN-12/W/180, dated 23rd June 1947.

1. Following a check of the documents in the possession of the Directorate General of Health at the Ministry of Defence, it appears that the microscope to be traced is No.16510 - as stated in the enclosure to my letter B.3818, dated 15th June 1947.
2. With regard to the contents of letter B.2038, dated 28th March 1947, it appears that the numbers of the two microscopes mentioned in it were interchanged, owing to a copying error, thus creating the inconsistency observed by the Italian Naval Branch.
3. In communicating the above, we renew our request for the tracing of the Koristka microscope No.16510, asking Capt. I.F.Pedwon for information, if necessary.

By direction
Captain G. MARINI.

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REPUBLICA ITALIANA

Roma, 11 LUG 1947

MINISTERO DELLA DIFESA - MARINA
SEGRETARIO GENERALE - COORDINAMENTO MARINA

Al ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH

Allied Force Headquarters

Indirizzo: MARINA ROMA

PRG. N. B.4192

ALLEGATI

R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Microscopio ceduto in prestito alla 1^a Divisione Britannica
Aerotrasportata.

Riferimento foglio IRN-12/N/180 in data
23 Giugno 1947.

1. Da un controllo dei documenti in possesso della Direzione Generale di Sanità di questo Ministero, risulta che il microscopio da ricercare è quello No.16510 - come appare dall'allegato al mio foglio B.3818 in data 15 Giugno 1947.

2. Circa il contenuto del foglio B.2038 in data 28 Marzo 1947 è stato appurato che le matricole dei due microscopi in esso citati furono scambiate per un errore di trascrizione, creando in tal modo una inconsistenza con i fatti, come osservato da codesto I.N.B.

3. Nel comunicare quanto sopra si rinnova per tanto la preghiera di voler effettuare ricerche del microscopio Koristka No.16510, chiedendo eventualmente informazioni al riguardo al Capitano J.F.PEDWON.

d'ordine
IL CAP. DI VASC. (G.MARINI)
Segr. Coord. Marina

Marini

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ALLIED FORCE Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRM-12/N/130

23 June 1947

Subject: MICROSCOPE LENT TO THE 1ST BRITISH AIRBORNE DIVISION.
To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No. B.2038 dated
28 March 1947.
(b) Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No. B.3818 dated
15 June 1947.

1. Prior to taking any action on reference (b), it is requested that the facts set out in reference (a) may be examined as they do not appear to coincide with the contents of the enclosure to reference (b).

2. Confirmation is requested, furthermore, that the missing microscope is No. 16510 and not No. 21165.

(Sgd) R. F. Pryce
for REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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From: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY) (Office of the Secretary General)
To : Italian Naval Branch - A.F.H.Q.
Date: 15th June 1947
Ref.: B.3818

Subject: Microscope lent to the 1st British Airborne Division

Reference is made to your letter IRN-12/N/128, dated 12th May 1947.

In order to facilitate the tracing of the instrument, I am forwarding you a copy of the receipt given by Capt. J.F. Pedwon R.A.M.C. to Lt.Col. Francesco Della Monica of the Taranto Naval Hospital on the 3rd October 1943.

The Italian Naval Branch is requested to continue its efforts to trace the instrument in question, asking for information from Capt. Pedwon, if necessary.

By direction
Captain G. MARINI.

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REPUBBLICA ITALIANA

MINISTERO DELLA DIFESA - MARINA
SEGRETARIO GENERALE - COORDINAMENTO MARINA

Roma. 11

Al ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH

Indirizzo: MARINA ROMA

Allied Force Headquarters

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Prot. N. B. 3818

R O M A

Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Microscopio ceduto in prestito alla 1^a Divisione Britannica
Aereotrasportata.

Riferimento foglio IRN-12/N/128 in data 12 Maggio
1947.

Allo scopo di facilitare le ricerche dello strumento
invio copia della ricevuta del Capitano J.F. PEDWON, R.A.
M.C., da questi rilasciata il 3 Ottobre 1943 al Ten.Col.Fran-
cesco DELLA MONICA dell'Ospedale Militare Marittimo di Taran-
to.

Prego codesta Italian Naval Branch di voler conti-
nuare le ricerche dello strumento in oggetto eventualmente
chiedendo informazioni al riguardo al Capitano J.F.PEDWON.

d'ordine
IL CAP. DI VASC. (G.MARINI)
Segr.Coord.Marina

Marini

Prot. N. 3.3818

Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Microscopio ceduto in prestito alla 1^a Divisione Britannica
Aereotrasportata.

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d'ordine
IL CAP. DI VASC. (G.MARINI)
Sagr.Coord.Marina



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C O P Y

POSTO DI PRONTO SOCCORSO MEDICO CHIRURGICO E ANTIGAS
DELLA R. MARINA

T A R A N T O

I receive by Lt.Col. Francesco della MONICA
of Italian Naval Hospital Laboratory of Bacteriology:

- 1 Microscope Koristka n.16510
 - 3 Oculars: 4° 2, 4c, 6c.
 - 4 Objectives: 3, 5, 7^x, ¹/₁₂ Koristka imm.
- Taranto 3 ottobre 1943.

I'm giving back the microscope n° 21165 which
was given to Lt.Col. ALFORD on the 22 nd sept 1943,
which is missing the eye-piece 3 comp. and whose oil
immersion is damaged (loss of the frontal lens).

J.F. Pedwon, Cap.R.A.M.C.

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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRN-12/N/128

12 May 1947.

Subject: MICROSCOPE - LOAN OF.

To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.

Reference : (a) Ministry of Defence, Navy (Cabinet) ltr. B.2038 of
28 March 1947.

1. In reply to reference (a) inquiries have been made through all British medical units in this theater, but it is regretted that there is no trace of the KIRSTKA microscope No. 21165.

R. W. ZURBON
REAR ADMIRAL, U.S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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13 MAY 1947

SUBJECT:- Microscope - Loan of.

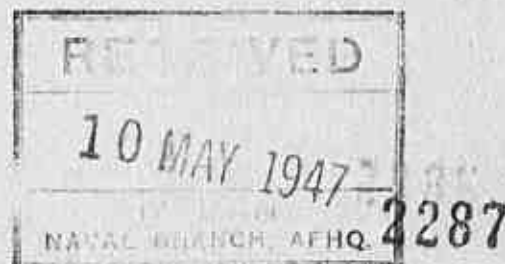
Medical Directorate.
G.H.Q., C.M.F.
Tel : Padua 22650.
Ref : M. 4380.
7 May 47.

A.F.H.Q.
Italian Naval Branch,
A.P.O. 794.

1. Reference your letter No. IRN-12/N/28, dated 31 Mar 47.
2. Enquiries have been made at all British medical units in this theatre, but it is regretted there is no trace of the 'KIRSTKA' Microscope No. 21165.

HMB/RWO.

H. M. Barnard
Maia
Brigadier, D.M.S.



Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRN-12/N/28

31 March 1947

Subject: MICROSCOPE LOANED TO 1ST BRITISH AIRBORNE
DIVISION - REQUEST FOR RETURN OF.

To: THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES, PADUA.

Enclosure: (A) Ministry of Defence (Navy) ltr. B.2038 dated 28
March 1947.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded.
2. It is requested that steps be instituted to locate and
effect the return of the a/m microscope to the Taranto Naval Hospital,
and that this Branch be advised of action taken.

H. W. ZIPOLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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Copy to:
Ministry of Defence, Navy (Cabinet).

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From: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY) (Cabinet)
To : Italian Naval Branch - A.F.H.Q.
Date: 28th March 1947
Ref.: B.2038

Subject: Microscope loaned to the 1st British Airborne Division

On the 3rd October 1943, Capt. PEDWON R.A.M.C., of the 1st British Airborne Division, returned a Koristka microscope (No. 16510) to the Taranto Naval Hospital, requesting the exchange of the object-glass which had been broken. The instrument was Italian property and had been lent to Lt. Colonel ALFORD R.A.M.C. on the 22nd September 1943,

As a spare part was not available, the above microscope was exchanged for another Kirstka (No. 21165) for which Capt. PEDWON left a receipt in English which is still in the possession of the bacteriological laboratory of the Taranto Naval Hospital.

The Administration of the above Hospital has approached the Ministry of Defence for the return of the instrument, and you are therefore requested to ask the Allied Authority which is now in possession of the microscope, whether it is still required. If not, it should be returned to the Taranto Naval Hospital.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET



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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

Ltr. Ref. Date & Subject
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE NAVY. B.4192 11 July 1947

Date Rec'd 15 JUL 1947

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Microscope lent to the 1st British
Airborne division.

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