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AMERICAN RELIEF FOR ITALY, INC.

Plan of distribution of Milk and Vitamins to Children under 10 years of age in the orphanages and similar institutions in some of the big Italian cities. (approximate estimate).

Rome and Province	No. of Children.	15,000
Naples and Province	" "	10,000
Grosseto	" "	1,000
Arezzo	" "	1,000
Florence	" "	8,000
Leghorn	" "	1,500
Pisa	" "	2,000
Lucca	" "	500
Pistoia	" "	1,000
Other towns in Tuscany	" "	10,000
		<u>50,000</u>

Pescara	No. of Children	2,000
Chieti	" "	2,000
Ancona	" "	3,500
Pesaro	" "	2,000
Furli	" "	3,500
Ravenna	" "	2,000
Bologna	" "	8,000
		<u>22,500</u>

Benevento	No. of children
Salerno	
Avellino	
Campobasso	
Potenza	
Matera	
	<u>9322</u>

Grusseto	"	"	1,000
Arezzo	"	"	1,000
Florence	"	"	8,000
Leghorn	"	"	1,500
Pisa	"	"	2,000
Lucca	"	"	500
Pistola	"	"	1,000
Other towns in Tuscany	"	"	10,000
			<u>50,000</u>

Pescara	No. of Children	2,000
Chieti	" "	2,000
Ancona	" "	3,500
Posaro	" "	2,000
Forli'	" "	3,500
Ravenna	" "	2,000
Bologna	" "	8,000
		<u>22,500</u>

No. of children

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Benevento
Salerno
Avellino
Campobasso
Potenza
Matera
Foggia and other towns in the following region:
Puglie
Calabria
Sicily
Sardinia

27,000

Total. 100,000

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2 glasses a day for 100,000 children for 365 days = kg. 1,460,000
lbs. 3,250,000

Multiple vitamins for 3 months of the year = Tab. 9,000,000

Vitamin C " 3,000,000

Yeast Tablets " 10,000,000

Vitamin A and D 2,000,000

Navitol (A and D in liquid form) bottles 20,000

Protein Milk lbs. 100,000

Dextri Maltose " 100,000

	bottles	20,000
Navitol (A and D in liquid form)		
Protein Milk	lbs.	100,000
Dextrin Maltose	"	100,000

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AIRLIFT SECTION
(For Devastated Areas)

To : Col. F. Craig, D.B.E. M.C.
Patriots' Branch

17 February 1945

Receipt is gratefully acknowledged of the sum of L. **700**
contributed by you to the relief fund in aid of homeless and destitute
people in the Devastated Areas.



Lt Colonel
CA Section
(For Devastated Areas)

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To: Patriots Branch, H. Allied Commission.

Receipt is acknowledged of the under-mentioned documents.

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Signature

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Date

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Appointment

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A/C 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ref: 130/TAT.

12 February 1945.

Subject: Subscription to the Homeless.

To : Civil Affairs Section
Devastated Areas Branch.

Ref 4/31 B/CA dated 10 Feb 45. ²

Herewith 700 lire from this Branch. It
is regretted that no clothing is available.

[Signature]
E. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief Commissioner

C. R. R.

10 FEB 1945

Feb 15

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SUBJECT : Subscription in aid of the Homeless
in Devastated Areas.

TO : Deputy Chiefs of Staff, All Sections,
Directors of all Sub-Commissions.

1. Last winter's fighting, which was established for months on a belt stretching across Italy which, because of the destruction wrought, has become known as a Devastated Area. In this region between 150,000 and 200,000 men, women and children are practically destitute and among them are many who put up a continuous resistance to the enemy and gave protection to over 6,000 escaped Allied prisoners. The majority now live in mountain communes, some of which are difficult to reach because of snow. Windows are broken, there is little fuel and little protection from the weather. Thousands are sleeping on bare floors, crowded, cold and dirty. Food, clothing, medicine and other welfare aids have been sent, AC having given its utmost aid to the Italian authorities.
2. An Italian Committee, organized by Prince Doria, Sindaco of Rome, and by His Excellency Zanotti-Bianco, head of the Italian Red Cross, under the Presidency of On. Casparotto, Minister of Aviation, is carrying on a city-wide drive in Rome for blankets, clothing, shoes, money, for these people.
3. The Committee has not asked the Allies for subscriptions, but AC is concerned to help these people in any way possible. There is a supply of civilian type blankets from which purchases can be made but a large amount of money is needed and anything else we can contribute.
4. I should be glad if you would encourage your Allied staff to give all they can to this excellent cause - money, old clothing, especially underwear, shirts and battle dress or uniforms are particularly required. Any uniforms will be dyed by AC before being released to the Italian Red Cross for issue. Perhaps you yourself would receive contributions or appoint one or more officers in your Section or Sub-Commission to receive them. Lists of all contributions, not for publication, together with cash and clothing will be sent by the Head of each Section or Sub-Commission to Civil Affairs Section, Devastated Areas Branch on or before 17 February 45.

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W. W. Stone
RENE W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ext.620

Ref : 121/5/PAT.

14 December 1944.

Subject: Clothing for Patriots.

To : V.P.

One of the matters which requires early action in regard to the rehabilitation of patriots is the supply of civilian clothing as opposed to military.

It has been my intention to organise what may be termed more or less a national drive throughout Italy in every town, in which local committees may be formed, by Red Cross workers and local Italian representatives, in order to make collections of such suits, overcoats and underclothes of the civilian type as may be available for the re-clothing of such patriots as are returning to civilian life and are therefore precluded from military equipment even though dyed.

I have not explored the possibilities of this at all except locally through my own enquiries in ROME, where I am assured that if an appeal were made on a national basis for the benefit of these patriots a considerable amount would be forthcoming.

Before, however, I take any definite steps in this connection, this matter should in my judgment have high level authority. I am not in a position as yet to report the possibility of success of such an undertaking, but I feel it is essential and necessary.

I would therefore ask you to obtain approval for me to approach the Italian Red Cross on this matter, on the clear understanding that such clothes, once collected, shall be distributed by Allied Patriot Officers in company with Italian Military Representatives.

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R.C.D. SPICER
Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

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