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FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.ROME  
TO: STATO MAGGIORE AERONAUTICA MILITARE.  
DATE: DECEMBER 18TH 1946  
REF: AFSC/655/5/L.

TRANSFER OF DEPOTS TO I.A.F.

Reference is made to the visit to this Headquarters of Major Bellini yesterday's date regarding the Depot at 26 Via Decembrio NO.26 Milan.

In confirmation of decisions made it is confirmed that the depot at Via Decembrio is handed back to the Military Air Force and they may assume control of same forthwith.

  
V.A.D. COL. INGWOOD  
WING COMMANDER  
for AIR VICE MARSHAL  
DIRECTOR,  
AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION

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Copy to AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, MILAN

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FROM :- Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C., Milan.  
TO : - Air Forces Sub-Commission, I.L.S., A.C., Rome.  
DATE :- 14th December 1946.  
REF :- AFSC/M/662/2/EQ.

VIA DECEMBRIO 26 DEPOT

Attached is memo addressed to this detachment from  
Italian Liaison Section regarding disposal of depot at Via  
Decembrio 26.

2. Your early decision would be appreciated.

*Edwards*  
J. LORD F/LT  
Commanding  
A.F.S.C. MILAN.  
MILAN  
ALLIED SUB-COMMISSION  
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MEMORANDUM F/LT LORD

MATERIAL EXISTING IN THE DEPOT OF VIA DECEMBRIO 26

Reference your letter AFSC/M/662/EQ dated 25th July 1946 it is understood that the material stored in the above-mentioned Depot is under the control of the A.F.S.C. Other Depots such as those of Seregno, Pogliano Milanese, Monza etc. were given authorisation for the passage to the Administration of the Italian Air Force in due time. Since no communication transmitting said authorisation has been received up to the present date, we kindly ask you to interest the A.F.S.C. in Rome so that the quoted Depot may be at the unconditional disposal of the Italian Military Air Force.

THE LIAISON OFFICER  
with A.F.S.C.  
MAJ. PILOT,  
AURELIO LUCIO E.)

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MEMORANDUM FL/LT LORD.

MATERIALI ESISTENTI NEL DEPOSITO DI VIA DECENBRI 26

Come risulta dal foglio AFSC/E/662/EQ. del 25 luglio 1945 il materiale esistente nel Deposito sopra descritto è sotto il controllo dell'Iz A.E.S.C. Poiché fino alla data odierna non è ancora pervenuta alcuna comunicazione, come già avvenuto per altri magazzini (Seregno, Pogliano Milanese, Monza ecc.) circa il passaggio di detto magazzino all'Amministrazione dell'Aeronautica Militare Italiana, si prega voler interessare l'A.F.S.C. di Roma affinché anche il magazzino di Via Decembrio 26 venga passato ~~estimoniata~~ incondizionata disposizione dell'Aeronautica Militare.



L'UFFICIALE DI COLLEGAMENTO  
CON L'A.F.S.C. A.C.  
*Magg. pil. Aurelio Lucio EJ*

*Musso*

AIR MINISTRY 124(0)

MEMORANDUM COL. ADHOWER

Following liberation, in May 1945 the Depot in Via Decembrio 26 Milan was taken possession of by the Air Administration, as it contained material with obvious flying characteristics and most of it had belonged to Firms and Depots of the pseudo-republican Air Force.

All other flying material recuperated from various localities was successively stored in the above-mentioned Depot.

With letter AFSC/M/662/ECH dated July 25th 1945 the said Depot was declared under the control of the Air Forces Sub-Commission R.A.F.

Other Depots in Northern Italy such as those of Seregno, Pogliano Milanese, Monza etc., at first under the control of the A.F.S.C. have been time by time returned to the I.A.F. at their unconditional disposal.

At present the Depot in Via Decembrio 26 is not only not at the unconditional disposal of the Air Administration but ARAR is claiming the handing over of all the material with no particular flying characteristics which did not belong to the same Administration.

The Air Administration is now unable to prove the lawful ownership of part of the recuperated material because the documents attesting this fact have been dispersed during the state of belligerency.

In relation to above and in order to avoid useless arguments with ARAR as regards ownership of the material, we kindly ask your Sub-Commission to authorize the unconditional disposal of all the material stored in the Via Decembrio Depot to the Air Administration. 131

BY ORDER

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REPUBBLICA ITALIA

Ministero dell'Aeronautica

PROMEMORIA PER IL COLONNELLO ATRONIER

Ad avveruta liberazione, nel maggio 1945 il magazzino di Via Decembrio 26 in Milano venne occupato dall'Amministrazione Aeronautica in quanto conteneva materiale di evidenti caratteristiche Aeronautiche, proveniente in gran parte da Enti e Magazzini dell'Aeronautica pseudorepubblicana.

Nel predetto Magazzino venne successivamente fatto affluire tutto l'altro materiale demaniale recuperato dall'Amministrazione Aeronautica da altre località.

Il Magazzino in questione venne dichiarato sottoposto al controllo della Air Forces Sub Commissione R.A.F. col foglio A.F.S.C./M/ 662/Ech in data 25/7/1945.

Analoghi Magazzini di materiale aeronautico recuperato in Italia in primo tempo dichiarati sotto il controllo della A.P.S.C. ( Seregno, Pogliano Milanese, Monza ) sono stati successivamente ceduti dalla A.F.S.C. stessa alla incondizionata disposizione dell'Aeronautica Militare.

Il Magazzino di Via Decembrio 26 risulta invece non ancora ceduto alla incondizionata disposizione della Amministrazione Aeronautica, nel frattempo l'A.R.A.R. ha rivendicato la cessione di tutto il materiale non avente particolare caratteristiche aeronautiche, che non risultava di proprietà dell'Amministrazione stessa.

L'Amministrazione Aeronautica si trova oggi nelle condizioni di non potere dimostrare la proprietà di una parte del materiale recuperato a causa dei noti eventi bellici che hanno causato la dispersione dei documenti probativi relativi alla proprietà aeronautica del materiale in questione.

In relazione a quanto sopra ed allo scopo di eliminare la contestazione in atto con l'A.R.A.R. circa la proprietà del materiale sarebbe necessario che la A.F.S.C. disponesse il passaggio alla incondizionata disposizione dell'Amministrazione Aeronautica di tutto il materiale contenuto nel Magazzino di Via Decembrio 26 Milano. —

D'Ordine.

C O P I A

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, Lombardy Region,  
c/o Allied Commission, Milan  
To : 1st Z.A.T. Command  
Date : 25 th July 1945  
Ref. : AFSC/L/662/Eq.

DEPOT OF VIA DECEMBRIO 26

This is to notify all concerned that no equipment or material  
will be removed from the above mentioned Depot Without the Authority  
of the Air Forces Sub Commission, R.A.F. (address c/o Regia Aeronauti-  
ca, Piazza Novelli, Milan).

F/rto R.W. BROOMEAD, S/Ldr  
Air Vice Marshal,  
Air Officer Commanding

MAGAZZINO DI VIA DECEMBRIO 26

Collo presente si informa tutti gli interessati che non è permes-  
so nessun prelievo di materiale dal sopramenzionato Deposito senza  
previa autorizzazione della Air Forces Sub Commission, R.A.F. (indirizzo  
presso la Regia Aeronautica, Piazza Novelli, Milano)

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.

To: Stato Maggiore Regia Aeronautica.

Date: 18th May, 1946.

Ref: AFSC/655/5/3a.

TRANSFER OF DEPOTS TO R.A.

The inventories of the unmentioned depots have been translated and scrutinised. Italian and English copies have been received by Lt. Col. F. Closci and are being forwarded to A.E.Q., R.A.F., Italy.

2. The Regia Aeronautica may therefore assume control of these stocks as from May 20.

301 Depot  
Women & Buildings Depot  
Transit Depot

Anzano del Parco  
Monza  
Via Vanvitelli 4, Milan.

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D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission. 128

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.  
To: A.H.Q. Italy.  
Date: 18th May, 1946.  
Ref: AFSC/655/5/Eq.

RELEASE OF EX-R.A. DEPOTS TO ITALIAN AIR FORCE.

Further to AFSC/655/3/Eq. October 20. 45.

2. Forwarded are receipted inventories (original in Italian 2 copies in English) for the undermentioned depots the stocks of which are transferred to the Italian Air Force with effect from May 20.

301 Depot	Anzano del Parco
Works & Buildings Depot	Milan
Transit Depot	Via Varratelli 4, Milan.

3. All stocks from these depots have either been or are in the process of being transferred to Gallarate Depot.

D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission 127

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.  
To: A.I.L.Q. Italy.  
Date: 15th April, 1946.  
Ref: AFSC/655/5/Eq.

RELEASE OF EX-R.A. DEPOTS TO ITALIAN AIR FORCE.

Further to this Sub-Commission's AFSC/655/3/Eq., October 20.  
Forwarded are received inventories (original in Italian: 2 copies translated)  
in respect of SEDMIANO and NOVARA Depots which are transferred to the Italian  
Air Force with effect from April 15.

  
D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission.

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.  
To: Stato Maggiore Regia Aeronautica.  
Date: 15th April, 1946.  
Ref: AFSC/655/5/Eq.

TRANSFER OF DEPOTS TO R.A.

The inventories for SEDRIANO and NOVARA Depots have been translated and scrutinised. The Italian copies have been received by Lt. Col. F. Ciocci and are being forwarded to A.H.Q. Italy as agreed.

2. The Regia Aeronautica may therefore take over these depots and stocks with effect from April 15.

D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission.

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, R.O.M.

To: A.I.L.Q. Italy.

Date: 28th December, 1945.

Ref: AFSC/655/3/EQ.

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Captured Enemy Material - Release of ex-R.A. Depots to Italian Air Force.

1. Reference your AHQ/11078/2/EQ, December 21, your attention is directed to this Sub-Commission's letter of even reference dated November 20 in which it was proposed and agreed by the then C.M.S.O. MEDME that all depots formerly the property of the Italian Air Force in Northern Italy would be handed back to the Italian Air Force.
2. It is considered that this is reasonable. As can be seen from the inventories already forwarded the nature of equipment released is purely for maintenance and quantities are small considering the authorised ceiling of the Italian Air Force.
3. No equipment or material will be released if it is considered inadvisable to do so. It is pointed out that the Italian Air Force has been left with comparatively little equipment and a appreciable percentage of this is obsolete.
4. As far as the future of the Italian Air Force is concerned, it is understood that AFHQ are preparing a directif on the subject and that HQ. is likely to be in possession of it before this Sub-Commission.

D.C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Air Officer Commanding.

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From: Air Headquarters, R.A.F., Italy, C.M.F.  
To: Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.  
Date: 21st December, 1945.  
Ref: AHQI/11078/2/EQ.

CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL.  
RELEASE OF EX-R.A. DEPOTS TO ITALIAN AIR FORCE.

Received inventories, which were forwarded to this Headquarters under cover of your AFSC/655/5/EQ. of November 9th and December 11th, 1945, in respect of the depots of Seregno and Caravaggio, have been forwarded to General Headquarters for their retention.

2. General Headquarters in acknowledging receipt of the above inventories have made the following comments:-

" It is pointed out that captured enemy material shall only be handed over to the Italian Air Force for maintenance purposes within the authorised ceiling.

No knowledge of the future of the Italian Air Force is known by this Headquarters and in order that some guidance may be obtained in connection with disposal of captured enemy material for its maintenance, it would be appreciated if some indication of future policy regarding the Italian Air Force could be forwarded".

3. It is requested that the information required in paragraph 2 above be submitted to this Headquarters for forwarding to General Headquarters.

ffsc. Hilliard  
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Air Commodore,  
Air Officer i/c Administration,  
AIR HEADQUARTERS, R.A.F., ITALY.

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, RGHE.  
To: Stato Maggiore Regia Aeronautica.  
Date: 11th December, 1945.  
Ref: AFSC/655/5/Eq.

Transfer of Depots to R.A. - CARAVAGGIO.

1. The inventory of Caravaggio Depot has been translated and scrutinised. The Italian copy has been receipted by Lt.Col. F. CIOCCHI and is being forwarded, as agreed to A.H.Q. Italy.
2. The Regia Aeronautica may therefore take over Caravaggio Depot and stocks with effect from December 10.

  
D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
For Air Vice Marshal,  
Air Officer Commanding.

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.  
To: A.H.Q. Italy.  
Date: 11th December, 1945.  
Ref: AFSC/655/3/Eq.

Release of ex-R.A. Depots to Italian Air Force.

1. Further to this Sub-Commission's AFSC/655/3/Eq. October 20, forwarded herewith are receipted inventories (original in Italian; 2 copies translated) in respect of CARAVAGGIO Depot, which is transferred to the Italian Air Force with effect from December 10.

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D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Air Officer Commanding.

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From :- Air Forces Sub Commission,  
c/o A.I.C.

To :- Air Forces Sub Commission,  
Headquarters, Allied Commission, ROME

Date :- 17th November 1945

Ref. :- AFSC/5/INT

MONTLY RETURNS - RELEASES OF EQUIPMENT

Return for month ending 15th November 1945  
for releases of equipment other than M.T. to U.S.A.

2. It is pointed out that, as far as can be ascertained to date, there are no depots in 2nd Z.A.T. Command holding bulk stocks of O.H.M. equipment from which releases would have to be authorized, as there are, for example, in 1st Z.A.T. All O.H.M. equipment stored in Padova has already been released from Bari, Rome or Milan, and is being held against direct issues to Units and personnel in the Command as demanded.

3. It would seem therefore that monthly returns of releases of M.T. vehicles only will be forthcoming from this office.

*W.H. Underwood Jr.*

P/D. Underwood,  
Padova Detachment.

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.  
To: Air Headquarters, ITALY.  
Date: 9th November, 1945.  
Ref: AFSC/655/5/Eq.

Release of ex-R.A. Depots to Italian Air Force.

1. Further to this Sub-Commission's letter AFSC/655/3/Eq. dated 20th October, 1945, forwarded herewith are received inventories and translated copies thereof, in duplicate, in respect of the Barrack and Clothing Depot, SEREGNO, and the Medical Supply Depot, POGLIANO. The inventory of medicines and drugs in the latter depot has not been translated as this is a task outside the competence of our interpreters. The inventory has, however, been scrutinised and cleared by the Medical Section of the Land Forces Sub-Commission.

2. Both above depots are being transferred to the Italian Air Force w.e.f. 15th November, 1945.

A. H. KNOWLES,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal, 4120  
Air Officer Commanding.

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.

To: Stato Maggiore R. Aeronautica,  
Ufficio Servizi e Trasporti.

Date: 8th November, 1945.

Ref: AFSC/655/5/Eq.

Transfer of Depots to R.A. - SEREGNO and POGLIANO.

1. Further to this Sub-Commission's letter AFSC/655/3/Eq. dated 29th October, 1945, the inventories of the Commissariat Depot SEREGNO and of the Medical Supply Depot, POGLIANO, have now been translated and scrutinised.
2. The Italian copies of the inventories have been received by Major Dallini, as arranged with Lt/Col. DONADIO, and they are being forwarded to A.H.Q. ITALY. It is notified that one item "30,000 pairs of yellow Boots" were deleted from the SEREGNO inventory as being locally purchased items and not Captured Enemy Material.
3. As final clearance action has now been completed on the above depots, the Regia Aeronautica may take over the depots and stocks with effect from 15th November, 1945.
4. It is requested that all possible action may be taken to expedite submission of the GALLARATE inventory as delay in releasing this depot will seriously affect centralisation of stocks. It is requested that A.F.S.C., MILAN, will enquire into the present position.

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A. H. KNOWLES,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Air Officer Commanding.

Copy to: A.F.S.C., A.C., MILAN.

