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SPITFIRE IX
OCT. 1946 - JAN. 1947

their information and any action they consider necessary but with no reference as to their origin.

18-X-46 Thompson by CTO.

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- CTO. Ref. 1A. para. 5. I should appreciate information as to quantity required, a more exact description (location of ref. as if possible) of the gun cleaning. We (Anti-forgery) also I am quite puzzled as to why the Germans should not supply their themselves - or is it a type of gun that they have not hitherto used, requiring an oil that they have not hitherto stocked!
2. Ref. para. 7 tools I presume there will be included in the list referred to as para. 6.
3. Publications appear to be in hand.

Hollington by CTO.

25/10/46.

M.2 A.

SEO. Ref M.2 the oil required is for lubricating

Anti-forgery type A. 34A/43 or 46. Also a quantity of 34A/159 would be required. For the ref. papers of the 'S' Browning (D.T.D. 585)

28-X-46.

A Thompson by CTO.

FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C., ROME
TO: ITALIAN AIR MINISTRY
DATE: 19TH JANUARY 1947
REF: AFSC/825/2/END.

QUANTITY OF SPARE PARTS FOR
MAINTENANCE OF SPITFIRE I's

Further to this Sub-Commission's letter AFSC/825/2/END. dated 16th December 1946, in reply to your 371685 ST 3/39/3847 Coll. dated 21st November 1946, the efforts to obtain the required information from the Middle East have not been successful.

You will note that the proposed Order of Battle for the Italian Air Force as offered by the British Air Ministry includes the provision of 3 years' maintenance spares for each unit equipped with British equipment. If the proposed Order of Battle is finally accepted, the provision of spares will therefore be satisfactorily arranged. If other plans are made, the further requirement of Spitfire spares may not arise.

Unless you make further request it is therefore proposed to leave the matter for the present.

W.A.D. Collingwood
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WING COMMANDER
FOR AIR VICE MARSHAL
DIRECTOR,
AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION

FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C., ROME.
TO: STATO MAGGIORE AERONAUTICA
3RD SERVICE UNIT
TECHNICAL SECTION
DATE: DECEMBER 16TH 1946
REF: AFSC/825/2/ENG.

QUANTITIES OF SPARE PARTS FOR SPITFIRE IX
AND MERLIN ENGINES

Reference your letter 371685ST 3/39/3847Coll. dated 21st November 1946, the information has been requested from R.A.F., Middle East, as peace-time consumption data are not available in this theatre.


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

Rome, 21st November 1946

AIR FORCE GENERAL STAFF
3rd Serv. Unit - Techn. Sect.

to : AIR FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. ROME
(through the Liaison Office)

Prot. No 371685 ST.3/39/3847 Coll.

SUBJECT : Quantities of spare parts for Spitfire IX A/C
and Merlin Engines.

We beg this A.F.S.C. to be so kind as to transmit to us the list concerning the quantities of spare parts which presumably will be necessary to the efficiency of Spitfire IX A/C and relative Merlin Engines for a flight activity of 500 and 1000 hours.

This General Staff need the above mentioned informations in order to provide the necessary supplies for the year 1947.

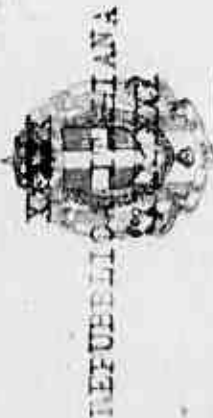
IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
Colonnello A.A.F.n. Pilota
(Aldo REMONDINO)

Translated by M. COMPAGNONI

320 will write to receive acting
if sub of normal average is
available

Action in
664/12/EQ





REPUBBLICA ITALIANA

Ministero dell'Aeronautica

3° REPARTO SERV. - Sezione Tecnica

Roma, 21 NOV. 1946

Ai L'A.C. - A.F.S.C.
tramite Ufficio di Collega-
mento

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Disposto al p. 1° del

OGGETTO: Quantitativi parti ricambio per velivoli Spitfire IX e motori Merlin.

Per. 1° 374685 ST 3/39 / 3847. Cde.

Si prega vedetta A.F.S.C. di voler cortesemente comu-
nicare quantitativi di parti al ricambio presentemente neces-
santi all'efficienza dei velivoli Spitfire IX e relativi motori
Merlin per una attività di volo di 500 e di 1000 ore.

Le informazioni suddette saranno a questo S.M. per
la predisposizione delle scorte necessarie per l'anno 1947.-

Il SOGGERNO DI STATO ENZA 708

Autorevole A. S. S. S. S.

(Aldo Remondino)



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From: Air Forces Sub Commission - Bari Detach.-
To: Air Forces Sub Commission - H.Q. Allied Comm.ROME-
Date: 2-12-1946
Ref.: AFSC/B/825/2/ENG.

SPITFIRE ARMAMENT

Attached is list of armament at present mounted
on Spit 9's of 51st Stormo.

2. A further list will be forwarded in due course
to cover 5th Stormo Spit 9's and those stored serviceable
at Brindisi.

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W.C. OLLASON G/C
Officer Commanding
Bari Detachment
A.F.S.C.

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ARMI A BORDO DEI VELIVOLI SPITTIRE IN CARICO AL 51° STORIO CACCIA

20° GRUPPO

Matricola velivolo	ARMAMENTO		
	m/m 20	m/m 12,7	m/m 7,7
SL 445	2	2	—
SM 171	2	2	—
MH 602	2	—	4
MH 621	2	—	4
LA 618	2	—	4
LJ 297	2	—	4
PT 460	2	2	—
NH 297	2	—	4
EN 510	2	—	4
EN 583	2	—	4
PT 667	2	2	—
PT 625	2	2	—
PT 414	2	—	4
<u>21° GRUPPO</u>			
LA 617	2	—	4
MK 156	2	—	4
LJ 358	2	—	4
LI 371	2	—	4
NK 916	2	2	—
LA 369	2	—	4
LZ 949	2	—	4
LA 453	2	—	4
LJ 673	2	—	4
MH 947	2	—	4
EN 632	2	—	4
NH 307	2	2	—
<u>155 GRUPPO</u>			
PT 957	2	2	—
LA 632	2	—	4
MH 604	2	—	4
MK 193	2	—	4
PT 590	2	2	—
MK 194	2	—	4
LI 731	2	—	4
NH 498	2	—	4
LA 447	2	—	4
LI 134	2	—	—

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To: C/O A.F.S.C. - BARI -

FROM: SFF. POLLEY

Date: 11th October 1944

GENERAL INSPECTION OF ARMAMENT SERVICEABILITY ETC. AT DECOU

- 1 The armament which has been installed on the a/c and that which is held in store, is being kept in an excellent condition. The guns and ancillary components are stored in the correct manner and have been well greased to prevent corrosion.
- 2 Inspection and tests are being carried out in a reasonable manner insofar as their technical knowledge of R.A.F. methods allow.
- 3 It is suggested that Armament Air Publications and extracts of Armament Staff Instructions (where applicable) be supplied. At the moment all their information has come from a verbal source, which means that every one has a different point of view.
- 4 There are very few spares available but this cannot be deemed serious because it seems extremely unlikely that all the a/c will be used for an Air Firing Programme at any one time.
- 5 There is a shortage of Gun Cleaning Oil (Anti-Freeze) and it would be advisable to obtain some before serious firing takes place especially in respect of the Oil Puffer Units on .5 Browning Guns.
- 6 A list of items which are required, is being compiled and will be forwarded to this Head Quarters in due course.
- 7 There is also a shortage of suitable 20mm Hispano and .5 Browning Gun Tools. Improvisation of tools are in being at present and there is a certain degree of success.

Signed W. H. H. H. Sgt. 614Seen by H. H. H. H. 18-1

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There is also a shortage of suitable Gun Wipers and Browning Gun Tools. Improvisation of tools are in being at present and there is a certain degree of success.

ARMAMENT AIR
HEADQUARTERS

Signed W. G. G. G. 2nd Lt. 614
Lt. Col. G. G. G. G. 18-1

Col. G. G. G. G.

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