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FIGHTER-BOMBER TRAINING
FEB. - JUNE 1947

Thank you

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Ref in 2A J tell son Col Spiza as soon as he gets here & arrange with him & the Staff Magazine for his return

to the mother.

As Staff will visit R.H.Q. study to look at the points

and S.A.S.O.

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① From Para 3 it would appear that the Prison

rangy was in preparing requisitioned together

R.A.F. Please check for our information.

② There can be no question of the A.I.B.

beaming the rangy to the I.A.F. if it was
not originally I.A.F. property.

③ Let me have a progress report on Para 5.

1-20/2/1947
9/5/47

From : Air Force Branch, A.F.H.Q., Rome.

To : A.H.Q. Italy
(Attention of S/Leader Wood)

Ref : AFB/86/TMG.

Date : 9th June 1947.

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AIR FIRING RANGES.

Reference to our AFB/86/TMG dated 2nd April 1947.

2. This is to introduce Captain Venturi Archimede who is the Officer assigned by the Italian Air Ministry for the handing over of the Ranges situated in the North.


F.S. IRWIN Lt., A.C.
for Director,
Air Force Branch,
Allied Force Headquarters.

LOOSE MINUTE.

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FROM :- Air Force Branch

TO :- Land Forces Branch, C.S.O.I., TAG.

REF :- AF/3/36/TWO.

DATE :- 13th May 1947.

1. The Italian Air Force and the Italian Parachute Association are putting on a very small parachute display at Guidonia Aerodrome at approx. 1100 hrs tomorrow morning the 14th of May 1947.

2. Officers of this Branch will be attending. The Liaison Branch of the Italian Air Force has invited three or four Allied Officers of your Branch to witness the display and attend the lunch afterwards.

3. Will you please give the names of any officers who may be attending to this office during the day (Ext. 546).

4. You should make your own arrangements about transport to Guidonia.



C.M.M. GRESSON W/Gar.,
per Director,
Air Force Branch.



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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Italian Military Affairs Section

Air Forces Sub Section *mael*

APO 794

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To: Italian Air Ministry
(For attention of Lt. Col. Valentini)

Ref: AFB/26/TMO.

Subject: Air Firing Ranges.

Date: 12th May 1947

Ext:- 546.

Reference is made to your letter 301742/Z.8/a/687Uell dated 3rd May 1947.

2. When the Royal Air Force derequisitions the firing range at Piave it will revert to the original owner, whilst all equipment and buildings erected upon the site will pass to the Italian Air Force.
3. If in fact the land on which the range has been built did not belong to the Italian Air Force before having been taken over by the Allies then it cannot revert to the Italian Air Force and your only means of obtaining possession is by direct negotiation with the owner.

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G.D.M. GREGG W/Odr.,
for Air Commanders,
Director,
Air Force Branch,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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From : Italian Air Force General Staff
Logistic Section
To : Air Forces Branch
Ref. : 301742/L.8/C/687 Cell
Date : 3rd May 1947

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TARGET PRACTICE GROUND

- 1° We have considered the information contained in letter AFB/86/TNC
- 2° For training fighter units located in the north of Italy, possession of the target practice ground and equipment on the bank of the Piave would be most useful to the I.A.F.
- 3° Considering the well known financial restrictions of our balance sheets we cannot purchase it although it is our wish to do so. Instead, we request you to consider the possibility of presenting this ground to the I.A.F.
- 4° Wherefore request you to inform us of the decisions the A.F.B. will adopt in respect to this request.
- 5° Regarding the 50,000 cartridges 7.7 calibre, orders have been given for drawing them from No. 126 Rivelto M.U.

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CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF

Translated by L.A.C. COSTIGAN





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Stato Maggiore R. Aeronautica
 STATO MAGGIORE AERONAUTICA MILITARE
 Sezione Logistica

Prot. N.° 301742/L. P/C
Allegati

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Poligono di tiro. = =

Roma. - 3 MAG 1947

L'AIR FORCES BRANCH
 ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

A.P.O. 794

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(Tramite Ufficio Collegamento)

Risposta al P. N.

SEDE

- 1° Si prende atto di quanto comunicato con il foglio AFB/86/Tng. del 2 - 4 - 1947.-
- 2° Per l'addestramento dei Reparti da caccia dislocati nel Nord Italia, sarebbe molto utile per l'Aeronautica Militare Italiana venire in possesso del poligono di tiro situato sul Piave, completo di tutte le attrezzature.-
- 3° Date le ben note ristrettezze finanziarie dei bilanci non è possibile - come sarebbe nostro desiderio - procedere al suo acquisto, per cui si propone di voler esaminare la possibilità di cedere il predetto poligono gratuitamente all'Aeronautica Militare. - =
- 4° Si prega perciò voler far conoscere le decisioni che codesta A.F.B. Allied Force Headquarters adotterà al riguardo.-
- 5° Per quanto concerne le 50.000 cartucce calibro 7.7, si comunica che sono state impartite le disposizioni del caso per il loro ritiro dal 126° Reparto Manutenzione di Rivolto. = = =



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Le presenti istruzioni per gli uffici sono state approvate e inviate alla Regia Aeronautica Militare il 14/5/47.

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A.H.Q. Italy.
(Attention of Chief Armament Officer)

Air Firing Ranges.

AFB/56/TMG.

2nd April 1947

Ert: 546.

Consequent upon our conversation yesterday on the telephone concerning the hand over of certain RAF ranges in Northern Italy to the Italian Air Force I have written to the Italian Air Ministry and suggested that they take steps to contact you for the formal hand over.

2. I enclose a copy of that letter for your information.

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C.M.N. GUNDE I/Cdr.,
for Air Commando 6,
Director,
Air Force Branch,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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From:- Air Forces Branch, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 794. 6A
 To :- Italian Ministry of Defence (Air). (For attention Deputy Chief
 of Air Staff).
 Date:- 2nd April, 1947.
 Ref :- AFB/86/Tng.

Tel: Ext. 546.

AIR FIRING RANGES.

Information has now been received from Air Headquarters, R.A.F., Italy that they no longer require to use the Air Firing ranges situated at GRADO, PIAVE, and COMBIDONE, and that these can be taken over by the Italian Air Force immediately.

2. The quadrant installations, targets and other markers have been left in situ, but the actual quadrant scales have been removed. It is suggested, therefore, that you send Major Cao or some other properly qualified officer to see Squadron Leader Wood, the Chief Armament Officer at Air Headquarters, Udine, as soon as possible, in order formally to take over the ranges and to ascertain what equipment should be installed by the I.A.F. before the wings start firing on the ranges.

3. This Headquarters has been informed that the live range at TAGLIAMENTO cannot be used for another two months as the Navy are at present carrying out extensive mine clearance in that area. You should consult the Ministry of Defence (Marine) if you wish to use this range in the future.

4. Ammunition for the Fighter Wings. We have been informed by Air Headquarters Italy, that 90,000 rounds of ammunition are now awaiting collection by the Italian Air Force at No. 126 Maintenance Unit, Rivolto and it is suggested that your Stato Maggiore takes immediate steps to see that this is made available to the Fighter Wings, in order that they may start their firing training as soon as possible, either on the range at PUNTA DELLA COSENZA or on one of the ranges now made available in the North.

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C. H. M. GREEN, W/COR.,
 for AIR COR CORDE,
 DIRECTOR,
 AIR FORCES BRANCH,
 A.F.H.Q., APO 794.

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From : The Ministry for Defense, "AIR".
To : A.F.B.S., I.M.A.S, APO 794, Rome.
Date : 23rd February, 1947.
Ref. : 101036/Ad 2.0/334 Coll.

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THE EXCHANGE OF MAJ. SPACOLINI WITH ANOTHER PILOT OFFICER AT TREVISO.

12A on P. 1.

Following AFB/86/ING letter dated 23/1/47, para 3, we inform that the movements of Capt. SCARINO Giuseppe has been carried out.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STAFF

TRANSLATED BY LEO MARINI.

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Stato Maggiore L. Aeronautica Militare
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Italian Military Affairs Section
Air Forces Sub Section
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Risposta al f. N. del

OGGETTO Cambio del Magg. Spagnolini con altro ufficiale
pilota a Treviso.-

Facendo seguito al foglio AFSC/86/TNG del
28/1/47 paragrafo 4.3 si comunica che è stato
disposto il movimento del Cap. Scarinci Giuseppe.-

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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Il presente documento è per uso interno e non deve essere diffuso al pubblico.

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I.A.F. State Maggiore.
(attention of Colonel Valentini)

DMAS/86/XRO/AF.
Ext. 545.

Training of I.A.F. personnel with R.A.F. Wings.

27th February, 1947.

With reference to the attachment of Colonel Sferza to A.H.Q. Udine for the purpose of acquiring a working knowledge of the Mobile Operations Room which is stationed there, it is requested that you insure that Colonel Sferza is provided with accommodation and rations at the nearest I.A.F. unit (presumably this will be at the aerodrome at Casperofenide).

2. The Senior Air Staff Officer, A.H.Q. Italy, has been informed today that Colonel Sferza should be arriving on Saturday 1st March or on Monday 3rd March.

3. It is now certain that the Mobile Operations Room will be handed over to the Italian Air Force when the R.A.F. leaves North Italy. You should therefore brief Colonel Sferza to make a thorough study of the organisation at Udine and also instruct him to call upon other signals and operational specialist officers from your State Maggiore as and when he thinks fit. Should Colonel Sferza require an office, stationary or a car, he should notify the S.A.S.O. at A.H.Q., Group Captain Horton.

4. This Sub Section considers the familiarisation of I.A.F. personnel with the highly complicated machinery of the Mobile Operations Room as a matter of importance and urgency and recommends that Colonel Sferza maintains a close liaison with your training staff.

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C.M.M. GREGG, W/Cdr,
for Air Vice-Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Section, DMAS.

Air Headquarters Italy, R.A.F.

THAS/86/THQ/AF.

Training of IAF Personnel with RAF Wings.

21st February 1947.

Reference is made to your letter AHQI/4/4/AIR dated the 10th of February 1947 and it is noted that there is no objection by your HQ to the attachments of IAF officers to RAF Wings as suggested in our letter dated the 13th of January 1947.

2. Colonel Sferza is at present with his stores at Lecce and it is intended that he will return to you as soon as flying conditions render this possible. Once he has settled in at Udine he will then be able in consultation with your operational and administrative staff to call for the respective IAF specialist officers. The relief of Major Spagnolini should already have arrived at Treviso.

3. No special arrangements are required in respect of these attachments since all administrative arrangements can be made through the IAF Unit at Caspofornide. Colonel Sferza will however require accommodation but his rations he will draw from Italian sources and put them into the general messing.

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G.M.M. GREGG W/CMB.
for Air Vice Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Section. 4/194

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FROM:- Air Headquarters, R.A.F. ITALY, C.M.F. *2A*
TO:- Air Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission, ROME.
DATE:- 10th February, 1947.
REF:- AHQI/4/4/AIR.

BA on Part 1.
REF: AFSC/86/TNG. DATED 30 JANUARY 1947.
TRAINING OF I.A.F. PERSONNEL WITH
BRITISH WINGS.

It is confirmed that there is no objection to the attachments suggested in the above mentioned letter.

2. It is understood that Colonel SPORZA may not be available as he has returned to his Unit and it is not known whether it is intended that he should come back again.

3. It is requested that you will specify any special arrangements which should be made for the officer to be attached to Air Headquarters. For example, whether he will need an office, and whether he will conduct any correspondence with which he will need assistance. Will you also state whether any accommodation arrangements need be made for him at UDINE.

See Part 1
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V.V. Moreton 4198
(H.V. MORETON G/CAPT),
SENIOR AIR STAFF OFFICER,
Air Headquarters,
R.A.F. ITALY, C.M.F.

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FROM A.H.O. ITALY 27/1513 2

TO A.F.S.O. ROME

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