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AIRFIELDS, AMENDOLA  
NOV. 1946 - AUG. 1947

From : AIR FORCES BRANCH  
Allied Forces Headquarters  
APO 794 U.S.ARMY

TO : IAF, Ministry of Defense  
General Directorate of Works and Bricks.

Ref : 22/6/AIR

Date : 19 August 1947

INSTRUCTIONS OF MOTORIST PERSONNEL ON USE OF AMERICAN  
MACHINERY AT AMENDOLA

With reference to your letter 43095/1132/Coll dated 25 July 1947, the American authorities are unable to send an instructional group of personnel to Amendola Airfield for the purpose quoted in your above referred letter.

Instead, it is recommended that the personnel receive their instructions at Ciampino Airfield inasmuch as the American authorities will employ the same type of machinery at Amendola in the reconstruction of the runway which work will soon begin.

Captain Georgetti, the American Officer in charge of the runway construction at Ciampino Airfield, feels that the personnel can be given better instructions in the handling of this machinery by giving them direct training on the job. You may contact him at Ciampino Airfield for further details.

FRANK E. MAREK  
Lt.Col. Air Corps  
Deputy Director.

From - IAF, Ministry of Defence,  
 General Directorate of Works and Bricks.

To - A.F.S.C. A.F.H.Q.

Ref - 43095/1132/Coll

Date - 25th, July, 1947.

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We therefore, kindly request you to inform the Allied Command at Leghorn so that we may obtain, if possible, the temporary transfer to Amendola of American elements who could give our personnel a brief course of instruction.

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Roma, 25 LUG 1947

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DIREZIONE GENERALE DEMANIC

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Direzione Lavori Sez. Lavori  
Prot. N. 43095 Allegato 1/22/ Coll.

Risposta al p. del N.º

OGGETTO : Istruzione di personale motorista sull'uso dei macchinari americani giacenti ad Amendola.-

In conseguenza della cessione all'A.M. della Base Aerea di Amendola e dei macchinari ivi accantonati, questo Ministero dispose il trasferimento in detta località di personale specialista perchè venisse istruito dal competente personale americano sul funzionamento dei macchinari ceduti.-

Senonchè il personale americano ivi dislocato è stato rimpatriato ancora prima dell'arrivo del personale italiano.

Si prega pertanto codesta A.F.S.C. voler cortesemente interessare il Comando Alleato di Livorno onde ottenere, ove possibile, il temporaneo trasferimento ad Amendola di elementi che possano tenere al personale italiano anzidetto, un breve corso di istruzione .

p. IL DIRETTORE GENERALE t.a.  
( Gen. di B.A. = B. BORGHETTI)

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18 December 1946.

SUBJECT: Runway Turnover.

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, AFHQ, APO 512.

Your letter file G-5: 993.20 of 11 December, same subject, refers.

1. As has been reported by telephone to Colonel Hamblen, the Prime Minister convened a meeting last week of representatives of his office and of the Ministries of Aviation, Public Works, and Treasury for the purpose of giving consideration to the proposal of the Commanding General, MTCUSA, to turn over to the Italian Government the Amendola aviation field constructed by the United States Army. It is understood that the sense of this meeting was favorable to the project.

2. In order that the various Ministries affected could become acquainted with many of the details of the problem, it was arranged that an inspection party of representatives of the four Italian Ministries concerned would inspect the field on Monday, 16 December. Subsequently, this date was found impracticable, and such an inspection trip has been arranged for Friday, 20 December. Arrangements have been made by the American Deputy Director of the Air Forces Sub-Commission to provide air transport for this party.

3. The question will continue to be pressed by me immediately after the inspection trip in question.

4. The file attached to the referenced letter is returned as requested.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLEERY W. STONE  
Rear Admiral, USNR  
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS  
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY  
APO 512

AG 686/042 B-0

27 November 1946

SUBJECT: Removal of Classification on Information Pertaining to Location and Construction of Runway or Amendola Project

TO : Commanders of All Major Commands, Separate Units and Installations, MTOUSA

1. The War Department has authorized the removal of classification on information pertaining to the location and construction of an airfield near Foggia, provided it is referred to as Runway, Amendola Airfield, airport, installation or project. It is emphasized that classification is not removed on information or documents using any other designation, by initials, abbreviations, or otherwise, for this particular installation.

2. It is desired that classification be removed on appropriate documents pertaining to this project.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

*Ralph C. Tilley*  
RALPH C. TILLEY  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General

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From : Italian Air Force  
 Logistical Section

To : A.F.S.C., A.C. Rome

Date : 17th November 1946

Ref : 504928/66/2/3739 Coll.

Subject: Guards for Anandola (Foggia) Airport

1. The IV Command (I.A.F.) has notified us that to carry out the special guard service on stores and equipment on the Anandola (Foggia) Airport, a responsibility which has recently been handed over to the I.A.F., the following MV vehicles are required.

- 5 Jeeps of normal size
- 2 Jeeps large
- 5 Motor bicycles

The reasons for the request are the large area to be patrolled (perimeter track of 10 km), the great value of the equipment and the existence of bands of thieves in the area.

2. Due to the lack of M.V. and the limited funds at our disposal it is requested that the A.F.S.C. may consider lending these vehicles and the necessary spare parts for their maintenance, to the Special Company at Foggia, as already done in the cases of the other Special Guard Companies.

UNDER SECRETARY CHIEF OF STAFF  
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- 3 Jeeps of normal size
- 2 Jeeps large
- 3 Motor bicycles

The reasons for the request are the large area to be patrolled (perimeter track of 16 km), the great value of the equipment and the existence of bands of thieves in the area.

2. Due to the lack of M.V. and the limited funds at our disposal it is requested that the A.I.S.C. may consider lending these vehicles and the necessary spare parts for their maintenance, to the Special Company at Foggia, as already done in the cases of the other Special Guard Companies.

UNDER SECRETARY CHIEF OF STAFF  
(Col. PILOT RAIMONDO)

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*Stato Maggiore R. Aeronautica*  
 STATO MAGGIORE AERONAUTICA MILITARE  
 Sezione Logistica

*Aut. N. 304928 / 3799*

*Disposta al P.M. del*

OGGETTO Servizio di guardia per l'Aeroporto di Amendola (Foggia)-

*A.A.C. - A.F.S.C.*  
 (tramite Ufficio Collegamento)

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1°)- Il Comando IV<sup>a</sup> Z.A.T. ha reso noto che per attuare lo speciale servizio di guardia e sorveglianza agli immobili e materiali vari costituenti il complesso aeroporuale di Amendola (Foggia) e di cui è stata recentemente incaricata l'Aeronautica Italiana, necessiterebbero i seguenti automezzi:

- N°- 3 Jeeps normali
- " 2 Jeeps grandi
- " 5 Motociclette.

E ciò in considerazione dell'area vastissima da sorvegliare (strada perimetrale di Km.16), dell'ingente valore del materiale ivi esistente e della presenza di bande di ladri infestanti la zona.

2°)- Data la ben nota penuria di automezzi e le ristrette disponibilità di fondi, questo Stato Maggiore interessa codesta A.F.S.C. affinché venga esaminata la possibilità di cessione temporanea alla

*Il capo ufficio per gli affari non organizzati e incidenti nella gestione  
 di Stato Maggiore R. Aeronautica*



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