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REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS IN ITALY
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From : Air Forces Sub-Commission
Allied Commission, Rome.

To : Air Forces Sub-Commission, Milan.
Copy to: Air Forces Sub-Commission Bari.

Date : 12th November 1946

Ref. : AFSC/302/3/Org.

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A.H.Q. ADMIN. INSTRUCTIONS MAINTENANCE OF
DETACHED R.A.F. UNITS.

Attached are copies of A.H.Q. Admin Instructions
External No. 77/46 Maintenance of Detached R.A.F. Units.

2. Please notify this H.Q. as soon as possible of
how you intend to put this Instruction into effect and
any difficulties you may find in your particular locality.

3. P.O.L. is drawn through Allied Commission Sources.

4. The entitlement of Fresh items is laid down in
C.M.F. ration and Fuel Scale booklet which is available
to officers in the S.E.O. office Rome.

A. G. Salter
A. G. SALTER S/L
for AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR,
AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION.

Keep in touch with Air Policy

Who has taken up some points with GHQ

*in regard to B.L.U.s which could be made equally applicable to
our Base & Milan detachments*

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AIR HEADQUARTERS, R.A.F. IXX

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION (EXTERNAL) NO. 71/46

MAINTENANCE OF DETACHED R.A.F. UNITS.INFORMATION.

1. Owing to the closing down of Army units, small parties of R.A.F. personnel may now find themselves away from their normal supply bases and instructions to cover the maintenance of these parties are required.

INSTRUCTION.

2. To lay down detailed instructions for the maintenance of detached R.A.F. Units.

EXECUTION.3. SUPPLIES.

(i) All fresh items may be purchased locally, within current scales with the exception of fresh meat which must be drawn from D.I.D. Cold storage facilities are to be obtained locally and if no such facilities exist, this H.Q. is to be notified.

(ii) Dry rations to be drawn for the nearest D.I.D. once per month, this may be extended to Bi-Monthly provided the Unit has adequate storage facilities. When drawing the first consignment of Rations from D.I.D's, an extra seven days to be indented for and held as a reserve to cover any contingency which may prevent Rations being drawn on the prescribed day.

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Meat preserved.
Biscuits.
Tinned Bacon.
Tinned Sausages.
Tinned Vegetables.
Tinned Beans.
Tinned Cheese.
Margarine.
Jam.
Sugar.
Milk.
Tea.

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4. P.O.L.

P.O.L. is to be drawn from local depots of the C.I.P. (Comitato Italiano Petroli).

5. M.T. SPARES.

Applications in the first instance are to be made to the Italian Army. If spares are not available, demands must be submitted through the usual channels to No. 357 M.U.

6. M.T. REPAIRS.

Minor inspections and minor repairs are to be carried out whenever possible by the unit. If no fitters are available on the unit, minor repairs will be the responsibility of the Italian Army. Major inspections and major repairs will continue to be carried out by No. 357 M.U. and replacement vehicles issued as required.

7. MEDICAL.

(i) Contact is to be established with the nearest Service Medical Establishment and arrangements made for medical attention. In cases where this is not practicable, recourse is to be made to the services of a Civilian Medical Practitioner either on a casual or contract basis, as laid down in K.R. & A.C.I. paras 1546, 1547, et seq. If it is desirable to enter into contract, arrangements must be made through this H.Q.

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8. CASH ACCOUNTING.

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9. ACCOMMODATION.

Application is to be made to the nearest Allied or Italian Unit or to the local Carabinieri. As a last resource personnel may be billeted, but rations are to be provided. Billets are to be paid for out of Imprest and this H.Q. notified.

10. EQUIPMENT ACCOUNTING.

(i) Bills for fresh items within entitlement should be passed to the Accountant Officer of the parent unit after certification and acceptance by the controlling Equipment Officer. Accordingly, with the main ration supplies and the additional fresh items paid for from public sources, no subsistence allowance will be admissible.

(ii) Service personnel may not feed in Italian Hotels and Restaurants, and accordingly entering arrangements remain a service provision.

11. POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Incoming mail will be forwarded by the A.P.O. to AC/MMLA for distribution through suitable courier service or the Italian Civil Postal Administration whichever is the more speedy and regular. Outgoing mail would be dealt with in the reserve manner, AC/MMLA posting in bulk in the APO in Rome or Padua.

31st OCTOBER 1946.
HQI/3004/2/ORG.

GROUP CAPTAIN.
STAFF OFFICER I/C ADMINISTRATION
AIR HEADQUARTERS, R.A.F. OTTAWA.

EXTERNAL.

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A.F.S.C. MILAN
A.F.S.C. RARI
H.Q., R.A.F. MEDWAY (4)
REAR A.H.Q., R.A.F. ITALY (6)
ALL UNITS UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE
CONTROL OF A.H.Q., R.A.F. ITALY.

DISTRIBUTION.

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:S.E.S.O. (3)
:S.T.O. (3)
:C.A. (2)
:C.S.O.

INTERNAL.

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SENIOR PHOTO OFFICER
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Ref. : 620/47/ED

14 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Italian Views on Location of AFHQ.

TO : G-3 Section, AFHQ

Not to us

Your letter G-3: 523.35-1 of 8 August 1946 refers.

1. The substance of paragraph 2 of your letter was communicated to the Office of the President of the Council of Ministers which replied by letter on 15 August, a copy of which is enclosed.

2. Undersecretary Cappa has informed me that if the Italian Government's suggestion that an Italian representative join a reconnaissance group be adopted, a qualified officer will be selected immediately for this purpose.

3. Will you inform me if the Italian Government's suggestion is acceptable.

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1st BRIGADE GENERAL
Rear Admiral, USA
Chief Counselor

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US/UK Embassies
Land Forces s/c
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THE PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
No. 77981/19.10

Rome, 13 August 1946

The Italian Government is aware that, for practical and economic purposes, Allied Military Headquarters might eventually amalgamate, and cannot but consider such an event favorably.

As far as choice of locality is concerned, the Italian Government wishes to point out that, apart from the office of PBS General Headquarters being in Leghorn, Padova would be more suitable and more preferable of the two places estimated, both for greater arrangements facility, and to avoid the unfavorable impression which might result if the Italian Command were removed from Udine.

This amalgamation will, unfortunately, bring about the occupation of new premises in the chosen zone. The Italian Government highly recommends that requisitions be limited to the strictly indispensable, and possibly be made in the suburbs, because, especially in Leghorn, the centre of the town is extremely damaged, and the number of homeless people still considerable. The Italian Government wishes that these requisitions be studied and prepared in collaboration with an Italian representative, who will be sent at your request. It is also necessary that the requisitioning of commercial and industrial premises be avoided, as this would result in furthering unemployment which is already causing much anxiety.

The inevitable inconveniences that will result owing to this amalgamation, should, however, bring about an improvement in the general situation south of the Apennines. Regarding this, it would be appreciated and desirable that, especially in Rome, the situation of the hotels be alleviated.

The Italian Government wishes to point out that it will be all in its power to facilitate this change.

(For) The President

s/ Paolo Capoa

Brig. Gen. M.S. Losh
Executive Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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Ref: 629/25/10.

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10. August 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

The Chief Commissioner has been directed by the Supreme Allied Commander to inform you that in view of the necessity of economy in manpower and for other reasons, a consolidation of Allied Military Headquarters may be directed by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Consideration of presently known factors indicates that UDINE or PADUA are the logical sites for a consolidated headquarters consisting of the present XIII Corps Headquarters, the present General Headquarters, Central Mediterranean Force, and a portion of Headquarters Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. The remainder of Headquarters, Mediterranean Theatre of Operations probably would consolidate with Headquarters, Peninsular Base Section at LIVORNO.

The consolidations and resulting moves will undoubtedly necessitate some additional requisitioning of real estate at and in the neighbourhood of the finally selected locations, but that taken as a whole more space will be released in Southern Italy than will be used in these selected locations.

Reconnaissance have already been started at LIVORNO, PADUA and UDINE. These reconnaissances are simply exploratory in order that full information may be in hand, and they do not mean that consolidation and movement orders have been or will be issued.

The Supreme Allied Commander has directed the Chief Commissioner to point out that the presence of Allied troops in Italy serves as a protection of Italian interests in areas of unrest and dispute.

While such a change of location of Headquarters may cause some local inconvenience it will, in the opinion of the Supreme Allied Commander, result in an appreciable benefit to the Italian economy in port, rail, real estate and telecommunication facilities South of the Apennines.

The Supreme Allied Commander hopes that the Italian Government will appreciate the motives which may require the changes, will consider the overall benefits, will view the subject with sympathy and give its cooperation to the end that should the changes be directed they can be made with the least possible inconvenience and fanfare.

Finally, the Chief Commissioner is directed to ask you to give the views of the Italian Government on the anticipated change, particularly with regard to the locations predicted and to assure you that these views will be given full consideration.

Very truly yours,

Copy to: C. Commissioner
US/UK Embassy
Land Forces S/C
Navy S/C
Air Forces S/C

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Dr. Alcide de Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
ROME.

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SECRET

From : Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. ROBE.

To : All A.F.S.C. Units,
BARI, TARANTO, NAPLES, MILAN.

Date : 9th August, 1946.

Ref. : AFHQ/374/ORG.

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REMOVAL OF MILITARY UNITS - FACILITIES FOR RECRUITMENT

Further to our A.F.S.C./374/ORG., dated 24th July, 1946, the following letter has been received from G.H.

2. Authority has been delegated by G.H. to all Area/Sub-Area HQs to introduce any of all of the Maintenance Arrangements outlined in G.H. letter as and when circumstances so require.

3. In the event of Commanders of Areas/Sub Areas deciding to operate this policy the following procedure will be enforced.

(a) HQ will submit to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area estimated ration strength for next 2 months.

(b) Ration Items (excluding Fresh Meat, Lard, Fresh Fruit and Veg, Fresh Eggs and Bread)

Will be drawn from the DID every two months by the HQ and a copy of the Issue Voucher forwarded to this office. No equivalent of Fresh Items above will be issued except as defined in para 3 (c) and (d) of this letter.

(c) Bread

Where it is impracticable for the HQ to draw Fresh Bread daily the equivalents in lieu of Bread for the two monthly periods will be issued and OC HQ will make local arrangements for the Bread to be baked by an Italian Contractor. The cost of baking to be paid out of the unit imprest a/c. In this connection OC HQ will forward to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area the proposed baking charges for covering approval.

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(d) Fresh Meat.

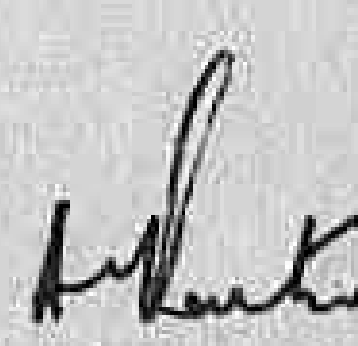
There is no objection for HCU to collect Meat daily from HCU. The HCU will make arrangements for Meat to be stored with a local cold store and the amount of Meat and Ice required for consumption to be collected in quantities and at periods to be decided between S & T Branch Area/Sub Area and CC HCU. An initial issue of 14 days Rations Equivalents will be made to the HCU as a Reserve only. The proposed scheme of Cold Storage will be approved by S & T Branch Area/Sub Areas and this office informed.

(e) Ice.

Issues of Ice will be made under local arrangements between S & T Branch Area/Sub Areas and CC HCU. If Ice is to be purchased locally by CC HCU the purchase price will be agreed by S & T Branch Area/Sub Areas.

(f) Fresh Veg and Fruit and Fresh Eggs.

These will be purchased by CC HCU and prices submitted weekly or fortnightly to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area for covering approval.


A. G. BARKER, S/LDR.,
FOR AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR,
AIR FORCE S/C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 8273/168/EC

8 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Redeployment of British Units.

TO : Land Forces S/C
Air Forces S/C
Displaced Persons S/C

With reference to this office letter 8273/124/EC dated 9 March 46 and 8273/166/EC of 2 August on the above quoted subject.

I enclose for your information a copy of HQ 3 District letter 296 Q dated 7 August 46.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

Alay Skisichy
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl. as above
Copy to: G-4 (B) HQ AG

SUBJECT: - Maintenance of Detained Sub-Jails
of the Allied Commissions

BAAG
HAWKES AREA
217 Area
59 Sub-Area
211 Sub-Area
Above HQ BAAG
List 1B
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EMI

3 District
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Reference para 3 of GHI letter 2521/4 of 11 Aug 46 forwarded under cover this in letter ref 164/43 dated 1 July 46.

1. Authority is delegated to Areas/Sub Areas HQ to introduce any or all of the maintenance arrangements outlined in GHI letter 46 and when circumstances so require.

2. In the event of a decision of Areas/Sub Areas declining to operate this policy the following supply procedure will be enforced.

(a) EMI will submit to 3 & 2 Branch Area/Sub Area estimated ration strength for next 2 months.

(b) Ration Items (excluding Fresh Meat, Ice, Fresh Fruit and Veg, Fresh eggs and Bread)

will be drawn from the EMI every two months by the EMI and a copy of the Issues Voucher forwarded to this office. No equivalent of fresh items above will be issued except as defined in para 2 (c) and (d) of this letter.

(c) Bread

Where it is impracticable for the EMI to draw Fresh Bread daily the equivalent in issues of Bread for the two monthly periods will be issued and 60 EMI will make local arrangements for the Bread to be baked by an Italian Contractor.

The cost of baking to be paid out of the unit imprest a/c. In this connection 60 EMI will forward to 3 & 2 Branch Area/Sub Area the proposed baking charges for covering approval.

(d) Fresh Meat

Where it is impracticable for EMI to collect meat daily fresh (EM) the EMI will make arrangements for meat to be stored with a local

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Reference para 3 of CNO Letter 2524/4 of 14 June 46 Forwarded under cover this HQ letter ref 341/13 Q dated 1 July 46,

1. Authority is delegated to Areas/Sub Areas HQ to introduce any or all of the maintenance arrangements outlined in CNO letter HQ and when circumstances so require.

2. In the event of Commanders of Areas/Sub Areas deciding to operate this policy the following supply procedure will be enforced.

(a) HQ will submit to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area estimated ration strength for next 2 months.

(b) Ration Items (excluding Fresh Meat, Ice, Fresh Fruit and Veg, Fresh eggs and Bread)

will be drawn from the HQ every two months by the HQ and a copy of the Issue Voucher forwarded to this office.
No equivalents of Fresh Items above will be issued except as defined in para 2 (c) and (d) of this letter.

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Where it is impracticable for the HQ to draw Fresh Bread daily the equivalents in form of Bread for the two monthly periods will be issued and HQ will make local arrangements for the Bread to be baked by an Italian Contractor.

The cost of baking to be paid out of the unit's imprest a/c.
In this connection HQ will forward to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area the proposed baking charges for covering appropriate.

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Where it is impracticable for HQ to collect Meat daily HQ will make arrangements for meat to be stored with a local cold store and the amount of Meat and Ice required for consumption to be collected in quantities and at periods to be decided between S & T Branch Area/Sub-Area and HQ

An initial issue of 1 1/2 days issued equivalents will be made to the HQ as a reserve only. The proposed scheme of cold storage will be approved by S & T Branch Area/Sub-Areas and this office informed.

(e) Ice

Issues of Ice will be made under local arrangements between S & T Branch Area/Sub-Areas and HQ

If Ice is to be purchased locally by HQ the purchase price will be agreed by S & T Branch Area/Sub-Areas.

(f) Fresh Veg and Fruit and Fresh Eggs

These will be purchased by CO EIU and prices submitted weekly or fortnightly to S & T Branch Area/Sub-Area for covering approval.

3. Issue Vouchers called for under para 2 (b) and details of cold storage schemes under para 2(d) are not required by Q Branch this HQ. but will be forwarded through ST Channels.

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2/ (C.E. ARTHUR) Maj
for Col
DA & GIG

Certified true copy:

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 8273/166/EC

R August 1946

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TO : Land Forces S/C
Air Forces S/C
Displaced Persons S/C

With reference to this office letters 8273/121/EC dated
9 March and 8273/159/EC dated 17 June on the above subject.

I enclose for your information a copy of 3 District letter
ST 3049 dated 26 July.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

Alfred Kuschy
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

Encls. as above.



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SUBJECT: Maintenance of detached sub units
of the Allied Commission.

3 District
Tel. Ext. 35
ST 3049

26 July 1946

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Catering
HQ Allied Commission (Italy) Rome

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Reference para 3 of the attached GHQ letter 2521/Q1 of
11 June 1946.

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2. In the event of Commanders of Areas/Sub Areas deciding to operate this policy the following supply procedure will be enforced.

- (a) BLU will submit to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area estimated ration strength for next 2 months.
- (b) Ration Items (excluding Fresh Meat, Ice, Fresh Fruit and Veg, Fresh Eggs and Bread)

Will be drawn from the DID every two months by the BLU and a copy of the Issue Voucher forwarded to this office.
No equivalents of Fresh Items above will be issued except as defined in para 2 (c) and (d) of this letter.

- (c) Bread

Where it is impracticable for the BLU to draw Fresh Bread daily the equivalents in lieu of Bread for the two monthly periods will be issued and OO BLU will make local arrangements for the Bread to be baked by an Italian Contractor. The cost of baking to be paid out of the unit imprest a/c. In this connection OO BLU will forward to S & T Branch Area/Sub Area the proposed baking charges for covering approval.

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(d) Fresh Meat.

Where it is impracticable for BLU to collect Meat daily from DID. The BLU will make arrangements for Meat to be stored with a local cold store and the amount of Meat and Ice required for consumption to be collected in quantities and at periods to be decided between S & T Branch Area/Sub Area and OC BLU. An initial issue of 14 days Tinned Equivalents will be made to the BLU as a Reserve only. The proposed scheme of Cold Storage will be approved by S & T Branch Areas/Sub Areas and this office informed.

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/s/

Col.

DST

(JOHN LALLY)

Copy to: DST, GHQ, CWP. Conversation (Majors Lally - Wells)
of 25 July 1945 refers.

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From : Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. Rome.
To : All A.F.S.C. Units.
BARI, LECCE, TARANTO, NAPLES, MILAN.
Date : 24th July, 1946.
Ref. : ARSC/571/CSC.

EMPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS - FACILITIES FOR DETACHMENTS

Considerable correspondence has passed between us and A.HQ Italy on the Facilities for Detachments when all Allied Units around them disband. *this has*

2. No policy can be obtained from the R.A.F. side of G.H.Q. but a memorandum from G.H.Q. G.M.F. gives a fairly clear picture of the system which will have to be adopted, we are assuming the R.A.F. will work in close liaison with the Army in all these matters.

3. Supplies: -

Fresh items will be purchased locally from the Inquest from which pay is drawn, bills will be countersigned by O.C. Detachment and forwarded to Rome for redeployment.

4. Other items will be collected from depots nominated by AFHQ, Rome and such collections will be on a two or three monthly basis.

5. POL will be obtained from C.I.P. sources under departmental instructions to be issued by D.S.T., CHQ, G.M.F.

6. M.T. repairs will be the responsibility of the Italian Air Force or Army.

7. Ord. Stores: -

Indents will be submitted through the normal channels and stores collected from dumps nominated by D.D.O.S. of the district or Equipment officer, A.F.S.C. Rome.

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8. Pay application should be submitted through A.F.S.C. Rome to the Accountant Officer A.HQ Italy, for the opening of the Imprest Account; for the provision of funds for payments to officers and other ranks. If necessary, A.HQ will arrange for funds to be made available through other channels.

9. Med. In stations where no British or Allied Medical Unit or Medical Officer exists, urgent medical attention and if necessary admission to hospital will be arranged from local sources. Every effort should be made, however to make use of British or Allied Medical facilities otherwise with Italian Air Force Units.

10. Bills for payment of any charges made will be submitted through Allied Commission to the D.D.M.S. of the Formation or Area concerned for approval.

11. E.P.I. supplies will be collected from the nearest B.I.S. under instructions issued by Q of the district or equivalent B's in consultation with A.C. M.E.I.A. and A.F.S.C. A.C. Rome.

12. Incoming mail will be forwarded by the A.F.O. to A.F.S.C. Rome for distribution by Italian Military Courier Service to detachments.

Outgoing mail would be dealt with in reverse manner.

13. Where in the past the maintenance of the unit concerned has been a British responsibility, and the separate supply of rations and EPI supplies for US personnel is impracticable, rations and EPI supplies may be afforded to US personnel in accordance with paras. 3, 4 and 11 above.

14. Payment in lire for EPI supplies will be borne by individuals concerned at the time of purchase.

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17. No definite instructions can be issued until approval has been obtained from A.HQ Caserta, but the correct procedure to be adopted will be roughly as outlined above.

18. Further instructions will be sent to detachments as soon as final approval has been obtained from A.HQ ITALY.

Fuller
A. G. SALTER, S/LDR.,
FOR AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR, A.F.S.C.

14A

FROM : AIR HEADQUARTERS, R.A.F. ITALY.
 TO : AIR FORCES SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.
 DATE : 12th JULY 1946.
 REF : AHQI/3001/153/ORG.

13A

REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS - FACILITIES FOR DETACHMENTS.

With reference to your AHQI/371/ORG dated 5th July 1946, the field management of the airfields at Milan and Venice Lido has been transferred to the Italians on the understanding that full facilities are given to allied aircraft. It is anticipated that further airfields will shortly be added to the list. All P.O.L. drawn is returned in kind and payment for other services does not arise. There is considerable correspondence between this Headquarters and your Headquarters concerning the above airfields.

2. Reference your detachments at Lecce and Taranto, your attention is drawn to G.H.Q. letter 2521/Q1 dated 11th June 1946, addressed to Headquarters, Allied Commission, a copy of which is attached, dealing with the maintenance of detached sub units of the Allied Commission. Should any of your detachments have difficulty in complying with the instructions, this Headquarters should be notified.



W.R. Brice
 G/L
 AIR VICE MARSHAL,
 AIR OFFICER COMMANDING,
 AIR HEADQUARTERS, RAF ITALY.

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SUBJECT: Maintenance of detached sub units
of the Allied Commission

G.H.Q. C.M.F.

2521/Q.1.

11 Jun 46

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Allied Commission

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5. POL will be obtained from CIP sources under departmental instructions to be issued by DST GHQ CMF.

MT Repairs.

6. MT repairs will be the responsibility of the Italian Army.
7. Spares will be provided as in para 8 below.

ORD Stores.

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MEMO

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POSTAL

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E.C. COLVILLE, Major,
for Major General,
MGA.

13A

From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission, ROME.
To: M.A.A.C. Secretariat.
Date: 5th July, 1946.
Ref: AFSC/371/Org.

REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS - FACILITIES FOR
DETACHMENTS.

12A

Reference your MAAC/4018/AFALS June 20.

2. It would be appreciated if this Sub-Commission could be informed which R.A.F. units at Milan and Venice Lido are being supplied with petrol, medical and M.T. ground facilities by the Italian Air Force.
3. We have no knowledge of any such arrangements and would be interested to know by whom they were made. Also on what terms as it is not thought that these would be gratis especially the petrol as the I.A.F. has extreme difficulty in procuring sufficient for its own needs.
4. Your letter makes no mention of how the I.A.F. would be repaid for any services rendered. It would be useful to have this point cleared up.
5. It is pointed out that this H.Q. has no Imprest Account. Arrangements would therefore have to be made for the Accountant Officer, 149 Staging Post, to be authorised by A.H.Q. Italy to pay bills for this Sub-Commission's detachments.
6. It is presumed that a maximum monthly expenditure will be fixed for the purchase of fresh meat, vegetables etc. per individual.
7. It is requested that these points be taken up with the Command Accountant, a concrete scheme evolved and all concerned notified of the correct procedure.

- my 7/7

A.G. Salter
A.G. SALTER,
Squadron Leader,
for Air Vice Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub-Commission.

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From:- Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat.

To:- Air Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission, Rome. ✓

Date:- 20th June, 1946.

Ref:- MAAC/4018/AFALS.

REDIRECTMENT OF BRITISH UNITS - FACILITIES FOR DETACHMENT.

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Please refer to your letter AFSC/24/AIR dated 6th June, 1946. The answers to your queries are as follows:-

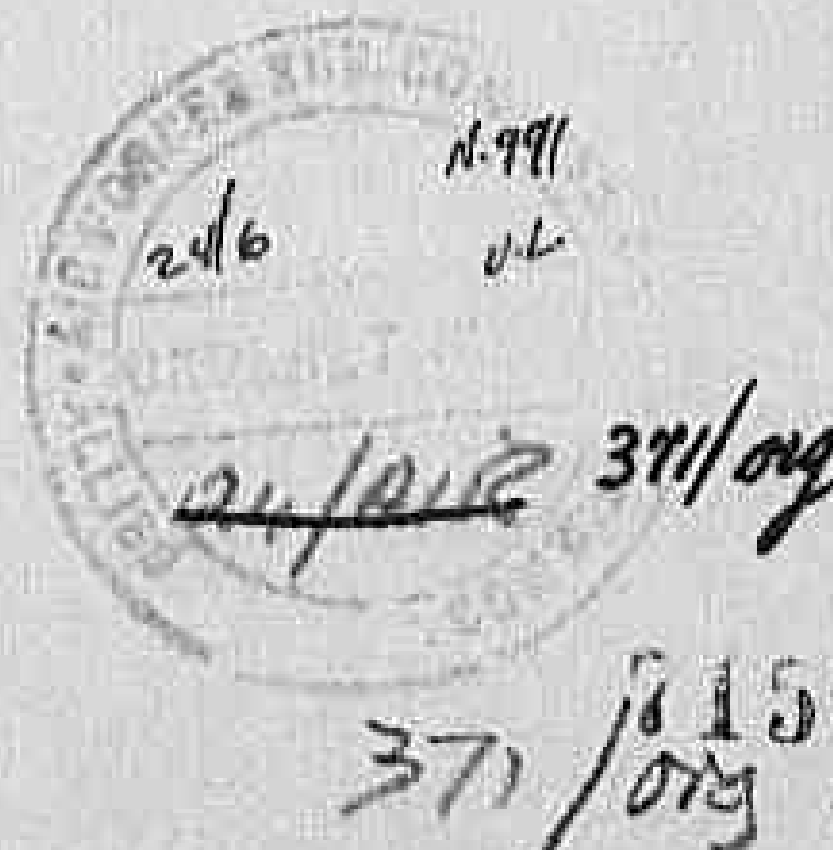
- (i) The supply of petrol, medical supplies, and ground facilities for M.T. would not present any difficulty as this scheme is already in operation by R.A.F. Units in Milan and Venice Lido.
- (ii) The Army already have a scheme whereby pay can be drawn through Italian Banks, and this Secretariat can make the necessary arrangements to apply this scheme to R.A.F. personnel if and when required.
- (iii) Regarding rations; fresh meat, vegetables, etc. can be purchased out of imprest, and arrangements made for tinned rations and N.A.A.F.I. to be supplied monthly.

2. It is agreed that mail should be transported by Italian Military Air Courier to out stations.

Maxwell Fisher.

(MAXWELL FISHER)
Wing Commander
Secretary to
MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE.

Copy to: Headquarters, Allied Commission.
M.I.A.
Navy Sub-Commission.



Memo

11A.

S. E. Equip. Co.

Mr. Olson showed from Bain and stated that he is having great difficulty in obtaining Rations. He has, on one occasion, been without rations for 5 days and has had to rely on the I. A. F.

He suggests the attachment of an RAF equipment assistant to RAF Station Bain to look after his interests. As this man is responsible can you suggest any alternative.

W. J. Jamieson
20/6/46

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I don't quite understand this. Mr. Olson was originally drawing rations from the Poles in peace. Whether this has been stopped or not I don't know. If it has there is a D.I.D. in Bain from which he can draw. It's a long way and not very satisfactory but there is no much alternative. As you can see from GA and 10A action is already in hand to try and alleviate such troubles.

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The alternative suggestion is that Napier detachment draw relations forreece and sends them via courier. Gfc Watkins is exploring this possibility with Gfc Olson and will let me know

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 8273/159/EC

17 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Redeployment of British Units.

TO : Land Forces S/C
- Air Forces S/C -
Displaced Persons S/C
Bari Liaison Group

With reference to this office letter 8273/121/EC dated
9 March 46 on the above quoted Subject.

I enclose for your information a copy of GHQ letter
2521/Q1 dated 11 June 46.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

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Alamy Kuschy
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: DA QMC - Your G-4/114/12 of 14 June ref.
HQ AG



copycopyG.H.Q. C.M.F.SUBJECT: Maintenance of detached sub units
of the Allied Commission

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BRITISH NON INTEGRATED UNITSSupplies.

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/s/ E.C. COLVILLE, Major,
for Major General, MGA

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FROM : AIR FORCES FOR COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

TO : W.A.A.C. SECRETARIAT, AIR HEADQUARTERS, ITALY, C.E.F.

DATE : 6th JUNE, 1946.

REF : AFSC/24/AIR.

EMPLOYMENT OF BRITISH WITH PASSENGERS FOR
REPAIRS ETC.

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2. The Italian Air Ministry have been approached unofficially about supplying rations petrol, medical supplies, and facilities for maintaining M.F. vehicles and supplying accommodation in their opinion there would be no difficulty.

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4. These problems will have to be solved in the immediate future, your views and guidance as to how to overcome such difficulties, how rations etc. if we draw from the Italian Air Force are to be paid for, and any alternative suggestions would be appreciated.

A.C. SMITH, W/DR.
FOR AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS
DIRECTOR
AIR FORCE AND COMMISSION.

RELOCATION OF BRITISH MILITARY FACILITIES FOR
RELOCATION.

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W. H. H. H.

A.C. GARDNER, Staff.
FOR AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
DIRECTOR
AIR FORCE SUB COMMISSION.

COPY TO : HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION.
" " : R.M.I.A.
" " : NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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From:- Air Forces Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission,
c/o Naples Liaison Group, APO.394.

To :- Air Forces Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission, Rome.

Date:- 11th May, 1946.

Ref :- AFSC/N/366/ORG.

REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS.

1. Further to your letter of even reference dated 6th May, it is reported that in general no difficulties are at present experienced in Naples area with regard to supplies and maintenance.
2. On one occasion No. 1 Base Area stated that rations could not be drawn for the airmens' billet but that all concerned would have to eat at a large mess the other end of town. As this would have provided considerable difficulties with regard to transport, and since the upkeep of our Villa in Naples has always proved most useful for accomodating visiting drivers etc., we overcame the objection by drawing rations from the Army.
3. A request has been received from Allied Commission Headquarters to accomodate a few British other ranks working with them. In view of the number of rooms available this should not prove difficult, but it is not proposed that the A.F.S.C. should hand over control of the billet to A.C. Headquarters.



L. G. Watkins

(L.G. Watkins)
Flight Lieutenant, Commanding
Air Forces Sub Commission
Naples Detachment

*Orig. T. This is a copy
of the original copy 16/5*

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From : Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. Rome.
To : A.F.S.C. NAPLES, BARI, LECCE, TARANTO.
Date : 6th May, 1946.
Ref. : AFSC/366/CHC.

REPLENISHMENT OF BRITISH UNITS

Owing to the withdrawal of Allied Service personnel, due to release, closing down of units, etc., certain difficulties are bound to arise at outstations with regard to supplies, maintenance, etc.

2. Information with regard to difficulties in the future arising from the following services should be sent to this Headquarters:

- i. M.T. Repairs,
- ii. P.O.L.,
- iii. Medical,
- iv. Supplies of Bread, Meat, Vegetables and Fruit.
- v. Pay, Mess, Postal Facilities,
- vi. Passing of Secret and Top Secret Messages.

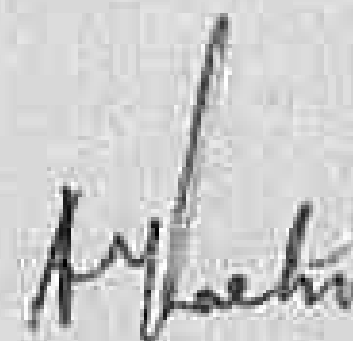
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The security classifications of traffic permissible on such routes must be defined before deciding to direct signal traffic on these circuits.

4. Certain operational telephone lines between Aircraft Safety Centre, South ITALY, Air Headquarters, RAF ITALY, Allied and Italian controlled airfields, seaplane and marine craft bases are now controlled by the Allies and used by the RAF for controlling Italian aircraft operations. It will be an eventual requirement for the I.A.F. to use lines extended to Rome for the same purpose. Meanwhile the relatively small amount of telephonic communication from this Headquarters to Southern ITALY Detachments could be carried on these and on Italian civil telephone services.

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5. Any other difficulties that may arise should be included with suggestions as to how they may be surmounted.



A. G. SATTEN, S/LIN.,
AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR,
AIR FORCE SUB-COMMISSION.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 0275/124/40.

SUBJECT: Reemployment of British Units.

TO : G-5 Section, AFHQ.

17B

Reference G-5/1 370-4 dated 16 February 1946.

1. The Sub-Commissions of Allied Commission mainly affected by the proposed changes are Land Forces and Air Forces Sub-Commissions and Disposed Persons Sub-Commission.

2. Land Forces and Air Forces Sub-Commissions.

a) Land Forces Sub-Commission which in AFHQ has British Liaison Units with each Italian Territorial Command as follows:

No.	Location	Officers	SNs	Vehicles
No. 1	TURIN	5	12	4
No. 2	GENOA	2	4	2
No. 3	MILAN	5	12	4
No. 4	VERONA	5	12	4
No. 5	VIENNA	2	4	2
No. 6	BOLZANO	2	4	2
No. 7	TRIESTE	5	12	4
No. 8	UDINE	2	4	2
No. 9	TREVISO	2	4	2
No. 10	RAVENNA	2	4	2
No. 11	FERRARA	2	4	2

Those underlined are immediately affected, others will follow.

b) Air Forces Sub-Commission has British Liaison Units at the following locations in ITALY:

Sub-Commission	Location	Officers	SNs	Vehicles
Sub-Commission	ROME	13	15	16
Sub-Commission	RAVENNA	1	4	7
Sub-Commission	VIENNA	1	4	1
Sub-Commission	VERONA	2	3	4
Sub-Commission	TRIESTE	1	2	4
Sub-Commission	UDINE	1	1	3
Sub-Commission	MILAN	5	3	12
Sub-Commission	GENOVA	2	3	4

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See Annex.

1. The Sub-Commissions of Military Commission which affected by the proposed abolition are Land Forces and Air Forces Sub-Commissions and related persons sub-commission.

2. Land Forces and the Forces sub-commissions.

a) Land Forces sub-commission with HQ in Rome has British Liaison Units with each Italian Territorial Command as follows:

No.	Location	Officers	Enr.	Vehicles
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No. 3	VERONA	5	12	4
No. 4	BOLOGNA	5	12	4
No. 5	PARMA	2	4	2
No. 6	MODENA	2	4	2
No. 7	PIACENZA	2	12	4
No. 8	REGGIO	2	4	2
No. 9	PARMA	2	4	2
No. 10	PARMA	2	12	2
No. 11	PARMA	2	4	2

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b) Air Forces sub-commission has British Liaison Units at the following locations in Italy:

Detachment	Location	Officers	Enr.	Vehicles
13	PARMA	13	13	16
1	PARMA	1	4	7
1	PARMA	1	1	1
2	PARMA	2	3	4
1	PARMA	1	2	4
1	PARMA	1	1	3
2	PARMA	2	3	12
1	PARMA	1	3	1

These underlined are immediately affected, the others will follow.

c) personnel and vehicles of these units will require supplies, maintenance, and communications for an indefinite period. The relative strength and composition of these units may vary from time to time keeping pace with the distribution and development of Italian Army and Air Force units.

d) When it becomes no longer possible to use British Service districts the following services might be provided by Italian Army and Air Force:

- Signal Corps (within the Station)
- Medical
- Quarantine Service
- Medical

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Such supplies as bread, meat, vegetables and fruit.

The following might be arranged by air from AMST:

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Arrangements will have to be made for other services through British A. of C. ITALY.

e) Additional facilities and authority for travelling allowances, M.T. service during journeys, authority to hold reserves etc. will also be required.

f) Air Force Sub-Commission also add that there would be no means of passing secret or top secret messages by land line or W/T as no cypher staffs are established. The quickest means of transit would be the Italian Air Courier services, bi-weekly.

g) The Italian Air Ministry teleprinter service between AMST, Bari, Brindisi, Lamezia and Palermo is not very reliable owing to power failures and other technical faults. In any case the capacity of the circuit to handle additional traffic must first be examined. The security classifications of traffic permissible on such routes must be defined before deciding to divert signal traffic to these circuits.

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3. Displaced persons and civilians.

a) The following displaced persons camps will be affected:

Italy,
the United States,
British Commonwealth,
France,
the Soviet Union,
the United States,
the United States,
the United States

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through British L of I Italy.

e) Additional facilities and authority for travelling allowances, M.C. service during journeys, authority to hold reserves etc. will also be required.

f) Air Force sub-division also add that there would be no means of passing secret or top secret messages by land line or M/T as no cipher staffs are established. The quickest means of transit would be the Italian Air Courier Services, bi-weekly.

g) The Italian Air Ministry teleprinter service between Rome, Bari, Foggia, Lecce and Palermo is not very reliable owing to power failures and other technical faults. In any case the capacity of the circuits to handle additional traffic must first be examined. The security considerations of traffic transmitted on such routes must be defined before deciding to divert signal traffic to these circuits.

h) Certain operational telephones links between aircraft safety Centre, South Italy, Air Headquarters, Bari Italy, Allied and Italian controlled airfields, Seaplane and landing craft bases are now controlled by the Allies and used by the RAF for control. Italian aircraft operations. It will be an eventual requirement for the RAF to use these links extended to Rome for the same purpose. Meanwhile the relatively small amount of telephonic communication from this headquarters to Southern Italy Detachments could be carried on these and on Italian civil telephone services.

3. Displaced Persons Sub-Section on.

a) The following displaced persons camps will be affected:

Bari,
San Marino, Lecce,
Santa Maria,
Foggia,
M. S. Angelo,
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b) With the exception of M. S. Angelo and Bari (strictly to be handed over to UNRRA), all the above camps are administered by UNRRA. As Polosops will remain in the Bari, M. S. Angelo will continue to draw supplies from Polosops and Bari.

c) UNRRA should be informed of the impending reorganization and it is suggested that they might take over and operate as a supply point the premises of the D.L.O. at M. S. Angelo.

d) At the same time UNRRA should advise UNRRA from which Bari bulk supplies are to be drawn. M. S. Angelo would appear to be the most convenient.

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e) as an alternative to the above, in the event of the Polish units remaining in the area there would appear to be no reason why supplies for them should not be drawn under arrangements Polcorps.

The RAF Liaison Group, A.C., suggest that, from their point of view, since HQ 249 Wing RAF is operating in Italy, arrangements could be made to obtain items such as ration, fuel, etc. supplies and RAFI through them or their source of supply, if they remain in the area.

For the Chief Commissioner

/s/ N. W. HIND. SMITH
MAJ

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to:

Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (MIA)
Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, A.C.
RAF Liaison Group, A.C.

4. The Ball Mission Group, A.C., suggest that, from their point of view, since the 249 Wing has been operating in Ball, arrangements could be made to obtain items such as medicine, etc., off repairs and M.A.F.I. through them or their source of supply, if they remain in the area.

For the Chief Commissioner

/s/ N. W. HIND. SMITH
MAc

Investigator,
Executive Commission.

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Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (MIA)
Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, A.C.
Ball Mission Group, A.C.

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↙
F/Lt SMITH,
Room 13,
Air Force Sub Com.
(8th Floor).

Att for you from
Lt Col SOUTHEY, MIA.

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S/Sjt

2 Mar 46

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SUBJECT : Redeployment of British Units

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (ITALIA)

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TO : HC A.C.

27 Feb 46

In reply to your 8273/106/EC of 21 Feb 46.

1. Land Forces Sub Commission with HQ in ROME has British Liaison Units with each ITALIAN Territorial Command as follows:

	LOCATION	Officers	ORs	Vehicles
No 1	TURIN	5	12	4
No 2	GENOA	2	4	2
No 3	MILAN	5	12	4
No 4	BOLZANO	5	12	4
No 5	UDINE	2	4	2
No 6	BOLOGNA	2	4	2
No 7	FLORENCE	5	12	4
No 8	ROME	2	4	2
No 9	BARI	2	4	2
No 10	NAPLES	5	12	4
No 11	PALERMO	2	4	2

Those underlined are immediately affected, others will follow.

2. Personnel and vehicles of these units will require supplies, maintenance and communications for an indefinite period. The relative strength and commitments of these BLUs may vary from time to time keeping pace with the distribution of ITALIAN Army units.

3. When it becomes no longer possible to use BRITISH Service channels the following services might by agreement be provided by the ITALIAN Army:

M.T. Repairs (within the station)
P.O.L.
Courier Service
Medical

Such supplies as bread, meat, vegetables and fruit

The following might be arranged by air from ROME:

Pay
M.A.F.I.
Postal

Arrangement will have to be made for other services through BRITISH L of C ITALY.

4. Additional facilities for travelling allowances, M.T. service during journeys, authority to hold reserves etc will also be required.

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signed W. PIDSLEY - Colonel

for Major General
M H I A

/as

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From : Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. ROME.

To : H.Q. A.C.

Date : 4th March, 1946.

Ref. : AF30/366/Org.

REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS

In reply to your 8273/106/EC of 21 Feb.

1. The A.F.S.C. has British Liaison Units at the following locations in Italy.

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>O.Rs</u>	<u>Vehicles</u>
Detachment	ROME	13	15	16
	<u>NAPLES</u>	1	4	7
	<u>BARI</u>	1	1	1
	<u>LECCE</u>	2	3	4
	<u>TARANTO</u>	1	2	4
	<u>PADUA</u>	1	1	3
	<u>MILAN</u>	3	3	12 ← Rather Rich
	<u>LITTORIO</u>	-	3	1 ← 1st 1/3

Those underlined are immediately affected, the others will be in due course.

2. Personnel and vehicles of these detachments will require supplies, maintenance and communications for an indefinite period. The relative strengths and commitments will vary according to developments within the Italian Air Force.

3. When it becomes no longer possible to use British Service channels, the following services might by agreement be possible by the I.A.F.

P.O.L.

Courier Service

Medical Services

Italian Basic Rations (bread, meat, vegetables, fruit, etc.)

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The following might be arranged by air from ROME : -

Pay

NAAFI

POSTAL SERVICES

4. There would be no means of passing Secret or Top Secret messages by land line or W/T as no cypher staffs are established. The quickest means of transit would be the Italian Air Courier Services, bi-weekly.

5. The Italian Air Ministry teleprinter service between Rome, Bari, Brindisi, Lecce and Taranto is not very reliable owing to power failures and other technical faults. In any case the capacity of the circuits to handle additional traffic must first be examined. The security classification of traffic permissible on such routes must be defined before deciding to divert our signal traffic to these circuits.

6. Certain operational telephone lines between Aircraft Safety Centre, South Italy, Air Headquarters, RAF Italy, Allied and Italian controlled airfields, seaplane and marine craft bases are now controlled by the Allies and used by the RAF for controlling Italian aircraft operations. It will be an eventual requirement for the I.A.F. to use these lines extended to Rome for the same purpose. Meanwhile the relatively small amount of telephonic communication from this Headquarters to Southern Italy Detachments could be carried on these and on Italian civil telephone services.

7. Additional facilities and authority for travelling allowances, M.T. Service during journeys, authority to hold reserves etc. will also be required.

WNB
W. M. BISDEE, W/CDR.,
AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR,
AIR FORCES S/O.

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SUBJECT : Redeployment of British Units.Land Forces Sub-Comm. A. O.,
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME.

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27 February 1946.

TO : HQ. AC.

In reply to your 8275/106/EC of 21 Feb.

1. Land Forces Sub-Commission with HQ in Rome has British Liaison Units with each Italian Territorial Command as follows :

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" 9	BARI	2	4	2
" 10	NAPLES	5	12	5
" 11	PALERMO	2	4	2

Those underlined are immediately affected, others will follow.

2. Personnel and vehicles of these units will require supplies, maintenance and communications for an indefinite period. The relative strength and commitments of these BLUs may vary from time to time keeping pace with the distribution of Italian Army Units.

3. When it becomes no longer possible to use British Service channels the following services might by agreement be provided by Italian Army:

M.T. Repairs (within the station)
P. O. L.
Courier Service
Medical

Such supplies as bread, meat, vegetable and fruit.

The following might be arranged by air from Rome:

Pay
NAATI
Postal

Arrangement will have to be made for other services through British L of C

For H.H. Smith
C. W. Jones

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Postal

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Copy to : AFHQ.

Signed, W. Pidsley, PC42
for Major General
M.H.I.A.

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From : A.F.S.C.

To : Office of Executive Commissioner, H.Q. A.C.

366/ORG

REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS

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1. With reference to your 8273/106/EC, dated 21 Feb.46, for our information and comment.

2. The forthcoming withdrawal of British Units and installations from Southern Italy should ~~not~~ effect our Liaison Units at Lecce, Taranto and Bari. *considerably if there are no British DIB formations etc*

3. Arrangements for the supply of POL and ~~other~~ *but rations, medical supplies and mail services present major difficulties* will be made with the Italian Air Force.

4. Signals and telephone services to detachments and liaison units will be disrupted to some extent.

(i) There would be no means of passing Secret or Top Secret messages by land line or W/T as no cypher staffs are established. The quickest means of transit would be the Italian Air Courier Services, bi-weekly.

(ii) The Italian Air Ministry teleprinter service between Rome, Bari, Brindisi, Lecce and Taranto is not very reliable owing to power failures and other technical faults. In any case the capacity of the circuits to handle additional traffic must first be examined. The security classification of traffic permissible on such routes must be defined before deciding to divert our signal traffic to these circuits.

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NOT SENT.
see 20A.

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 8271/106/00.

21 February 1946.

SUBJECT: Redeployment of British Units.

TO : See Distribution below.

1. Attached is copy of a letter G-5: 370-4 dated 16 February 46 received from G-5, AFM on the above subject.
2. Your comments, particularly on para 3, are desired as a matter of urgency.

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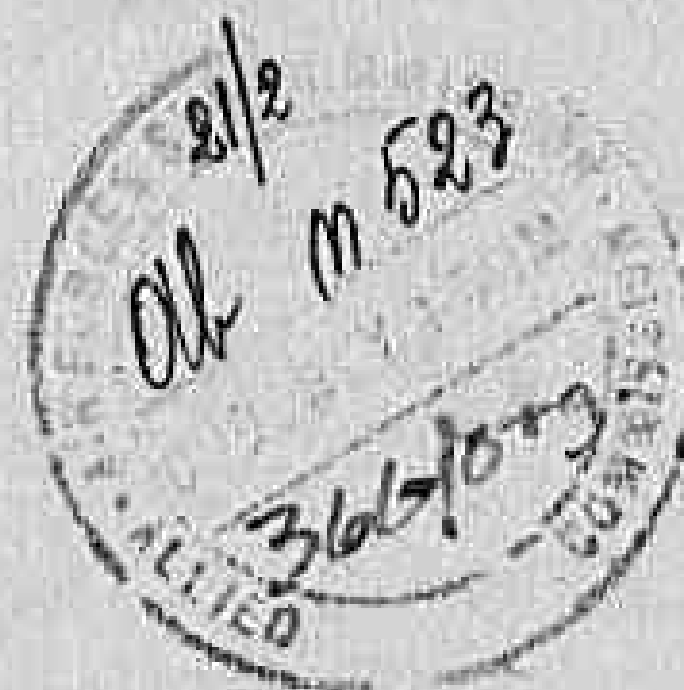
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L. B. Smith
for R.A.
for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
AFS 512

G-5: 370-4

16 February 1946

SUBJECT: Redeployment of British Units upon Cessation of Hostilities.
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
AFS 394.

1. The following information is passed to you to enable you to plan for the future.

a. It is intended to clear all British troops from 52 and 54 Areas in Southern Italy by 1 May 1946, leaving only installations at Naples and 1 of 3 thence to N.A. Italy via Rome, Oris, Foligno, Rimini, Bologna. The run down of Naples installations will commence from 1 May 1946.

b. In pursuance of this plan.

i. Taranto will close as a military port on 1 March 1946.

ii. Bari will close as a military port on 1 April 1946, but ammunition dumping may continue from Barietta and Melfetta to 30 June.

iii. No British military installation will remain in the heel area after 30 April without the authority of GAF, GAF, GAF.

2. The future of the police in the heel is still under consideration and for the time being will be regarded as a continuing commitment.

3. Will you, at your early convenience, say what differences, if any, this will involve so far as ACOM is concerned.

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

(and, - - - Lt. Col.
for F. G. A. PUGHEN
Brigadier
Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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ALLIED ARMY HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 370-4

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2. The future of the roles in the heel is still under consideration and for the time being will be regarded as a continuing commitment.

3. If any, this will involve so far as Alton is concerned, (what?) will you, at your early convenience, say what differences, if any, this will involve so far as Alton is concerned.

BY COMMAND OF ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-5:

(Sgd, - - - Lt. Col.
for R. G. A. FARMER,
Brigadier

Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

SUBJECT: Redeployment of British Units upon Cessation of Hostilities.
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
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3. Will you, at your early convenience, say what differences, if any, this will involve so far as above is concerned.

BY ORDER OF ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-5:

(sgd) - - Lt. Col.
 for F. C. A. Fawcett

Brigadier

Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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ALLIED NAVAL HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
AWO 512

C-5: 370-4

16 February 1946

SUBJECT: Redeployment of British Units upon Cessation of Hostilities.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
ARC 394.

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b. In pursuance of this plan.

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2. Bari will close as a military port on 1 April 1946, but continuation shipping may continue from Bari to Sicily and Malta to 30 June.

3. No British military installation will remain in the heel area after 30 April without the authority of GMD, GMA, GMP.

4. The future of the roles in the heel is still under consideration and for the time being will be regarded as a continuing commitment.

5. Will you, at your early convenience, say what differences, if any, this will involve so far as ALCE is concerned, (none)

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MURPHY:

(sig) - - - Lt. Col.
for F. C. A. PARKER

Brigadier

Acting Assistant Chief of Staff

2/9/46

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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL HUGHES:

(sig) - - - Lt. Col.
 for P. C. A. PARKES

Brigadier

Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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