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15 February 1947.

SUBJECT: Monthly Reports.

TO : Director, Naval Sub-Section.
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1. The monthly reports of the former three service Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission will continue, without breaking continuity, as reports of the Sub-Sections of IMAS. The same distribution will be made as formerly, except that Chief of IMAS will be substituted for Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

2. Where applicable, appropriate reference in the report will be made to provisions of the Peace Treaty. (As an example, strength of personnel of the Italian Navy will be shown, having regard to the provisions of Article 60 of the Peace Treaty.)

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Director : Major-General E.H. GOULBURN, DSO

MMIA Report No 38 - Activities During the Month of Jan 47

1. LAND FORCES SUB SECTION

Main HQ - ROME (34 OFFRS)

Outstations

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Type 'B' Liaison Unit (5 OFFRS) at BOLOGNA

No 12 Liaison Unit (11 OFFRS) at ROME

51 OFFRS on est.

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Str state of the ITALIAN Army as at 1st Jan 47 is as follows :-

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ER-ITI	67
US-ITI	3,695
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Total	185,110

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(a) Completed requirement tables for vehs, arms and amm were sent to AFHQ, CHQ, BTA and WAR OFFICE.

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5. SIGS

- (a) Re-building and repair at the ITALIAN Signal School at CECCHIGNOLA is progressing satisfactorily.
- (b) Courses were completed and new courses commenced during the month. Refresher courses for Arty and Inf Officers and NCOs are well attended and should prove beneficial.
- (c) The Ministry of War can not yet obtain authority for the release from ARAR of stores urgently required for maintenance in units and at the School of Signals.
- (d) The proper safeguarding of Signal Stores was discussed at the War Ministry with Col IANMARINO. He has promised to give the matter priority.

6. MED

- (a) The ITALIAN Medical Stores at FLORENCE received twenty tons of captured Medical Eopt from ALLIED sources during the month.

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The present str is 66,115 (31st Jan 47). GHQ hope to persuade the Ministry of Defence to allow them to reach the total of 75,000 which of course will have to be at the expense of the Army.

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(c) Extermination

The two Extermination Committees have worked hard to break the back of the large number of cases to be dealt with, and it is estimated that the matter should be finished by the end of Apr. This however, does not apply to a number of Officers and NCOs against whom allegations of a serious nature have been made. These will be tried by Military Tribunals. The poem at 4th Feb 47 was :-

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(d) Couns

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7. (Continued)

(f) Arms and Amn

The 3,300 Beretta pistols referred to in the last report have for the most part been received by the Legions to which they were allotted.

(g) General

GHQ CG have received instructions from the War Ministry that a bn of Carabinieri will be sent to GORIZIA on the withdrawal of ALLIED Tps. The duties of this bn have not been specified. GHQ CG has requested permission from the Ministry of the Interior for this move and has also instructed TURIN Mob In to prepare for an immediate transfer to GORIZIA. GHQ CG considers the move as an unwelcome weakening of the forces of public order at a critical period. GENOVA Mob In has been ordered to undertake duties in the TURIN area in case of emergency.

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Grand Total	1,350,127 +	17,546	16,569

Note + Includes 125,751 US held - no. repatriated.

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(c) Finance

Remittances/Final Credit Balance dealt with £ 21,758
 Valuables & Impounded Properties 514
 Financial Claims dealt with 239

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