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TRANSFER OF CCRR FROM SARDINIA
JAN. - OCT. 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

See
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27 October, 1944.

SUBJECT : CC.RR in Sardinia.

TO : Commanding General CC.RR.

1. PENNETTA Tommaso General Inspector of Public Safety at the Ministry of the Interior recently visited Sardinia.

2. In the course of his report to the Minister, he expressed the view that "Commandants" of CC.RR Stations were unsatisfactory and should be transferred. He went on to say that this view was shared by A.C.C. Officers.

3. This matter has been referred to the Regional Commissioner Sardinia and his observations have been obtained. His conclusion is as follows :

(a) "I do not feel justified in advocating a wholesale transfer of station commanders. I am of the opinion that the average station commander does his job satisfactorily especially in view of the extremely trying circumstances he has had to face in the past year and his own difficult conditions.

(b) "I cannot feel that the replacement of present commanders by men from the mainland would be satisfactory the Sard mentality being different from the Italians.

(c) "I should recommend that those station commanders who have completed their term of service and who have tendered their resignations, but have been retained as a wartime measure, together with those recalled from retirement, should be released as soon as the present severe shortage of Carabinieri can be remedied. The number involved in these two classes is 89.

4. On the whole the Regional Commissioner is satisfied with the efficiency of CC.RR in Sardinia. It is realized that the present shortage of CC.RR makes it difficult to release the 89 CC.RR mentioned in para.3 above.

5. It is suggested, therefore that as opportunity arises steps be taken slowly to replace the CC.RR who have been retained as a wartime measure, or recalled from retirement, as in para. 3 (c).

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JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety S/C.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

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HQ/1528

20 October 1944

SUBJECT: CC.RR.

TO : Headquarters, A.C.C., Public Safety Sub-Commission

1. In reply to your ACC/14601/10/PS of 2 October 1944, I must point out that there are at present 266 permanent CC.RR. stations in Sardinia, each of course, commanded by a maresciallo or brigadiere.
2. These commanders vary very greatly in ability and therefore only general points affecting them, regarded as a whole, can be made.
3. There can be no doubt as to their efficiency and courage in dealing with civil disorders and dangerous armed criminals.
4. Their detection of crime appears to be intelligent and a fair number of arrests are made. This may be due to the low mentality of the average Sard criminal.
5. When, on the request of the A.C.C., some work such as the searching of premises for Allied goods has been carried out, this has usually been efficiently done but in some cases the results have been disappointing.
6. The chief failure of station commanders appears to be when they are asked to take some action which involves an influential person or government official of some standing. It is felt that little confidence can be placed in the result of such action. The reason for this appears to be that not only do the station commanders feel that they may not have the backing of their superiors in such a case but they also fear that they may be victimized, i.e. by transference etc.
7. I give figures covering the six (6) months April to September inclusive which gives some indication of the activity of the Legion of Sardinia:

	No.	Detected	Arrested	Denounced
Omiciidi volon(ri	63	30	37	27
Omiciidi tentati	53	32	38	33
Omiciidi colposi	14	10	3	10
Omiciidi preterint.	1	4	2	14
Totals	134	82	87	84

The comparatively large number, 84, denounced but not arrested is to a great extent made up of those who have taken refuge in the mountains.

APRIL

Rapine	51	16	17	11
Furti aggravati	1431	398	242	378
Furti semplici	586	196	109	128

MAY

Rapine	40	11	20	10
Furti aggravati	1306	382	196	343
Furti semplici	445			

JUNE

Rapine	25	3	4	5
Furti aggravati	890	277	123	262
Furti semplici	455	148	66	126

JULY

Rapine	30	6	5	6
Furti aggravati	794	269	157	243
Furti semplici	432	153	64	137

AUGUST

Rapine	41	2	3	413
Furti aggravati	812	286	155	321
Furti semplici	371	151	65	175

SEPTEMBER

Rapine	54	7	7	15
Furti aggravati	729	268	151	238
Furti semplici	300	114	47	114

8. Although rapine (which is the taking away, either by violence or threat, of some moveable article from the person of another) shows no diminution, it is fairly certain that these crimes are, for the most part, committed by small bands of criminals who have taken to the mountains to avoid

arrest. To comb out these mountains is beyond the power of the Carabinieri at their present strength and even a strong force would have the utmost difficulty in doing it thoroughly.

Simple and aggravated thefts show a very substantial decrease in the period. This decrease is roughly proportionate to the decrease in the number of Italian troops here, to whom a large number of these offences are attributable.

9. The presence of large numbers of rather dispirited and poorly paid Italian soldiers, most of them with a lot of time on their hands, has been a very great problem to the Carabinieri. Some of the troops, notably the "Nerbo" Division, have been ill disciplined and contained many criminals in their ranks.

10. Trouble has also been caused by the many Army deserters who have wandered about the island living by theft etc. Added to this are the difficulties experienced by the Carabinieri when making investigations involving military personnel.

11. I do not feel justified in advocating a wholesale transfer of station commanders. I am of the opinion that the average station commander does his job satisfactorily especially in view of the extremely trying circumstances he has had to face in the past year and his own difficult conditions.

12. I cannot feel that the replacement of present commanders by men from the mainland would be satisfactory, the Sardinian mentality being different from the Italian.

13. I should recommend that those station commanders who have completed their term of service and ~~410~~ 410.3 have tendered their resignations, but have been retained as a wartime measure, together with those recalled from retirement, should be released as soon as the present severe shortage of Carabinieri can be remedied. The number involved in these two classes is 89.

J.A.C. Pennyquick Colonel

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J.A.C. PENNYQUICK, Col.,
Regional Commissioner,
A.C.C., Sardinia Region.

TRANSLATION1 May 1944. 6A

Memo to CPS

Herewith copy of notation received Commander of Carabinieri Groups at Cagliari:

"The services requested of these groups, thanks to the Legion Commander, have been restricted up to now to the commune of Cagliari so that the dispatching of the Rome contingent has been avoided and the possibility assured of embarking it upon 12 hours notice as previously requested by the Allied Command.

Since the High Commissioner of Sardinia guarantees the availability of the units to leave for the continent with one day's notice in advance, the writer refrains from expressing his doubts into the matter; but considers it his duty to communicate that if these units were to be in continuous use in future throughout the island, notable damage would develop into its moral and material efficiency.

In fact, it would be quite difficult to elevate the morale of the personnel, which becomes daily more necessary in proportion to the delay ~~extension~~ of the order to embark and cannot be continued methodically with concrete results so that these men may be equal to the important tasks which will be required of them.

Besides, these units would resent the lack of equipment, especially uniforms and shoes, which it is impossible to furnish them - after those granted them last January - because the Italian Quartermaster HQ of Sardinia, with its very limited supplies, must take care of other units of other Arms to be placed in readiness.

On the other hand, from the context of the letter of the High Commissioner, it seems evident that the above Carabinieri are being used not ~~for~~ definite necessity but only because they appear to be dispensable in the island; so much so that we are ready to do without their services on one day's advance notice.

However, the undersigned, in order to avoid inconveniences, will continue to cope with the situation as long as these men are kept within their present limits.

Since, moreover, with the lengthening of their stay in Sardinia, the stronger becomes the desire on the part of military authorities to make use of them and further with the coming of spring, another serious menace faces the contingent in the form of malaria, it would behoove the competent Allied commands, in compliance with urgent insistence of "R" office, to order the immediate transfer of these subordinate units to the continent.

A propos, we notice the availability of Italian cruisers, which are employed in the transport of our troops from Sardinia to the continent; one of which possibly in a ~~single~~ single trip could transfer the entire contingent, if the Allied authorities permitted."

Note of Commanding General:-

"I would request the Allied Control Commission to hasten, if possible, the sending of this contingent to the continent."

Copy. Spoke to Gen. Peche on 3 May 1944. Told him that the matter would be left - abeyance for a week.
3/5/44. (S) AF Wilson.

*15 May
 600 CCRR
 arrived -
 Naples on
 15 May from
 Sardinia
 AFW.*

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission

Folio 5^A for ~~action~~/information

C.P.S.....

D.C.P.S.....

Ex. Officer.....

Police.....

Fire & C.D.....

Regn. & Licensing.....

Adm..Officer.....

REMARKS.....

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MAY 14/1942
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

VALUABLE COUNSEL REQUIRED

PERSONAL INFO FILLED, SMLA, FATEDA MAIN FOR OFFICIALS.

600 CARRIAGE LEAVING TODAY ON AIRPORTS AFFIATED. NO INFO 15 MAY.

INFO - ARMY 4.0.
DEF CC
ARMY (REAR)
PUBLIC SAFETY SC.
FILE
FLOAT

Informed by Mr. H. Francis
- Mr. C. Pollock that
600 CARRIAGE LEAVING
at 11:15 AM on morning
915 AM May 1944

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MAY 14/1942
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15 MAY 1944
A.C.C.

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600 SARABHANA LOADING TODAY ON SOLIDUS AMERICAN, SEA DRO 15 MAY.

INFO - ARMY L.O.
DEP CC
ARMY (REAR)
PUBLIC SAFETY SC.
FILE
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Informed by Lt. Col. Francis
Lt. Col. Pollock that
600 CCRh landed
at Naples in morning
15 May 1944

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CONFIDENTIAL OPERATIONAL PRIORITY TELEGRAM

RECEIVED AT
PBS SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER

9 FEBRUARY 1944

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TO FARGO FOR LUSH

(INFO) ACMP FABLE

FROM LIA FROM DUCHESNE

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NONE

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COLONEL SIMMONS VISITING ME REPORTS THAT 1300 CARABINIERI WITH
FEW ANIMALS AND EQUIPMENT ARE READY TO SAIL AT CAGLIARI SARDINIA
SHIPPING PRIORITY DIRECT WITH ACMP 6.

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(INFO) PA TO CG
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10 FEB	1944

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IMPORTANT.
US CIPHER MESSAGE
IN

FOLIO NO: 05847
4 FEB 44.

FROM: SIGNED CH NATOUSSA CITY WATER
TO: CG ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA ATTENTION
TRANSPORTATION OFFICER
INFO: ADM CG CITY ADMINISTRATION FIVE ARMY REAR,
CG FEN BASE SEC AND FLAMEO
ORIG NO: 47504

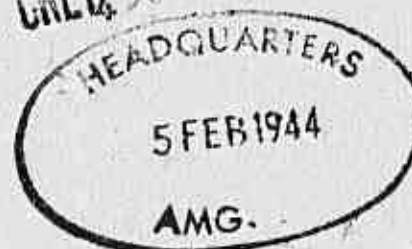
FOO 25054.04
FOR 05054.05

LOAD ANIMALS AND EQUIPMENT OF CAPABINIERI ASSEMBLED AT FALCON ON
MOUNT EVEREST. REFERENCE MESSAGE CG CITY ADMINISTRATION 5 ARMY REAR
2544 DATED 1 FEBRUARY. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO REPLACEMENT ANIMALS.
NEW SUBJECT: SHIP MOUNT EVEREST HAS BEEN DELAYED DUE TO REPAIRS AND
NOW EXPECTED TO SAIL FOR 40 NAPLES DESTINATION. THIS WILL DELAY
LIFT OF REPLACEMENT ANIMALS FROM LEVY TO DUKO. APPROXIMATE FEB
NOW 20 FEBRUARY THIS YEAR.

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2. SEC 0640A.05 JT

PA to CC 4139
RC & MG Sec.

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5 FEB 1944

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CG PBS, FARGO PERSONAL FOR MACFARLANE

NONE

FATIMA REAR FROM STONE SIGNED MACFARLANE

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NONE



REFERENCE FALCON NR WM 1605 OF 31 JANUARY TO BREEDOM COPY TO
YOU. DUCHECNE REPORTS THAT THESE 1300 CARABINIERI ARE NOT ON
FILPOT SHIPPING PRIORITY LIST FOR FEBRUARY. SUGGEST LUSH TAKES UP
WITH HQ ACMF.

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INFO AMG HQ

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SECY

ACC DISTR:

(ACTION) PA TO DP

(INFO) RC & MG SEC

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ADMIN DIRECTOR		
CHIEF STAFF O.	✓	
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CHIEF CLERK	7/11	
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31 JANUARY 1944

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