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ADMINISTRATION & ORGANIZATION OF CCRR
JULY, AUG. 1945

C.A. Section

Minute Sheet.

The specific requirements requested by
marginal note have been set out on another

file.

13 Aug 45

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Col. R.D.D.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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TO: Executive Commissioner.

I give below the latest figures for Carabinieri transport requirements based on a 65,000 ceiling:

TIPO AUTOMEZZI	Quantita Occorrente	Quantita esistente	Differenza in meno
Autovetture	1026	498	528
Autocarri leggeri	1310	114	1196
Autocarri pesanti	288	15	273
Autopompe	27	-	27
Autofurgoncini	48	19	29
Motocarrozzette	156	20	136
Motociclette biposto	13,664	836	12828
Motocarrelli e mototri cicli	120	15	105
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NOTE: POL 65/205 of 7375 metric tons per month = 2045 tons.

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C.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
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COMANDO GENERALE DELL'ARMA DEI CARABINIERI REALI
Direzione di Amministrazione
Sezione III.

E L E N C O degli auto e motomezzi necessari per completare
la dotazione prevista per l'Arma dei CC.RR.sul-
la base di 65.000 uomini.-

Roma, li 29 luglio 1945.-



HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

MEMORANDUM

*Copy sent to
Head of Civil Affairs*

SUBJECT : Plan for Administration of the Italian Army.
TO : Civil Affairs Section.

Reference Log.P. 120/6 dated 29 July 1945
and 8251/217/EC dated 30 July 1945.

1. The plan, so far as Public Safety Sub-Commission is concerned, is agreed in principle.

2. Carabinieri are dealt with in para 16 a, b and c. The proposals therein for future administration being consistent with proposals for the Italian Army are not objectionable to this Sub-Commission.

3. It is significant from a P.S. point of view that comparison the future army strength of 140000 there will be a CC.RR Force of 65000 by which it is concluded that this form of police will have an important role to play. It will mean a very close liaison between what is left of P.S. Sub-Commission and MSHA.

*P/S must
study reports
regarding*

4. Shortage of clothing, equipment and transport has always been a serious matter and even at this date the CC.RR are not properly clothed or equipped and there are indications that given the material they will go ahead and make a good job.

* 5. Transport. The CC.RR will require to be more mobile than ever on the hand over and transport must be a No. 1 priority. The position at present is deplorable.

* 6. Exception is taken to the phrase "in practice" in the last sentence of para 16 b. It should read "in theory".

*I raised the point about CC.RR being Army - 100% I would like
to talk about as Army of 200,000. Etc. done
sent to post 1 August 1945.*

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director.

Col. Chapman

Will you please
let me have any
comments by 1130

Sorry to rush you
I only got it late
yesterday evening

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 8251/217/EC.

30 July 45.

Subject: Plan for Administration of the Italian
Army.To: VP, Civil Affairs Section. —
VP, Economic Section.

1. Attached are copies of "Plan for the Administration of the Italian Army (Copies 26 and 27 for Economic Section, 28 for Civil Affairs Section.)"
2. Attention is drawn to the fact that it is a planning paper only and has not received the approval of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer. It does not, therefore, contain approved policy or provide the basis for executive action.
3. A meeting will be held on Thursday, 2nd August, 45, at AFHQ to discuss this paper. The Chief Commissioner will attend this meeting.
4. Will you please give the paper your immediate consideration and report with comments by Wednesday, 1st August, 1200 hours.
5. For VP, Economic Section.

Your attention is drawn particularly to Appendix "D", reverse of the final sheet of the documents enclosed.

For Chief Commissioner:

[Signature]
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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To: D/CAO (Copy No. 1)

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Log. P. 120/6

PLAN FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ITALIAN ARMY

GENERAL

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b. To give them the resources necessary, when the remainder of ITALY now under Allied Military Government (excluding VENEZIA GIULIA and other small areas) is passed to their direct control, with which to maintain internal security and to control such parts of the Italian frontier which will then be their responsibility to guard.

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PRESENT POSITION

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The present responsibilities of the British and US Army and of the Italian Government are given at Appendix 'B' in which it is shown that the Allies exercise considerable administrative responsibilities for supplies, equipment and administrative services for the Italian Army.

4. Italian Administrative Organisation

- a. The Italian administrative organisation consists of eleven

territorial HQs covering all of ITALY and SICILY ^{and its under}

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command district and regimental depot HQs. Territorial and district HQs (Serial 5) control the Italian administrative services (Serial 6) which comprise administrative units for the direct support of Iti/Iti units, some Br/Iti and US/Iti units and assistance in administration in the other Br/Iti and US/Iti units within their territories.

b. There are also seven administrative divisions (Serial 2), five of which are Br/Iti and two US/Iti, which are superimposed on the territorial administrative organisation. These divisions, which consist of little more than HQs, are in the main concerned only with Br/Iti and US/Iti service troops. They function largely in a liaison capacity between local Allied military HQ and the Italian administrative organisation but they also directly control certain administrative services in the territorial organisation (Ord dumps etc) which are used to maintain the Br/Iti and US/Iti service units. They also exercise certain responsibilities such as welfare for the Italian combat forces (Serial 1) and give some assistance in the administration of Iti/Iti units which are located in their respective areas. Six of the administrative divisions are located in NORTH ITALY and one is in 3 District area.

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FUTURE 'INTERIM' ITALIAN ARMY

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It is estimated that by the end of September all NORTH ITALY, with the exception of VENEZIA GIULIA and certain other small areas, will have been handed back to the Italian Government who will then, with the same exceptions, be responsible for the internal security throughout the whole of ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA. It is desirable, therefore, that from this date, the Italian Government should assume operational responsibility for the 'interim' Italian Army, subject to the over-riding right of the Allies to intervene should necessity arise.

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6. Composition of the Italian Army

The Italian Army should be established as a self sufficient force, complete of its own administrative services and be capable of fulfilling its operational role without assistance from Allied administrative units.

On the basis that the Army :

- a. will be used to prevent the violation of the Italian frontiers and in an "internal security" role
- b. will be composed partly of internal security troops which need only be semi-mobile and partly of a mobile combat force.
- c. will be able to make use of civilian operated facilities such as railways, ports, communications and workshops,

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE 'INTERIM' ITALIAN ARMY

8.

Availability of service units

The following will be the situation at the end of September :-

a. ST Transport

Assuming the retention of British vehicles at present in

possession of the combat forces and allowing for replacement of Italian vehicles, the Italian Army initially should have

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adequate administrative transport.

b. St Depots

Iti/Iti personnel are now available for depot units. These units are taking over where Italian troops have been dependent on Allied units.

c. Ordinance

Ordinance dumps already exist and the Italian equivalent of a DOD is being formed.

d. RMRE

Italian workshops are now being formed and there will shortly be civil facilities available to which major repairs can be let out by the Italian Government.

e. Petrol

By the end of September all petrol for the Italian Army can be drawn through the CIP organisation.

f. Medical

This is already the responsibility of the Italian Government using Italian hospitals.

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PROVISION OF MAINTENANCE, CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT FOR 'INTERIM' ITALIAN ARMY

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Method by which Maintenance, Clothing and Equipment should be provided.

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It is feasible for rations for the Italian Army to be provided through Italian Government channels and to be included with the normal civil supply requirements for the civilian population. This will involve a small increase in the import programme if the Italian civil ration is not to be impaired. Details of this increase are given at appendix 'D'. Provision of rations need not, therefore, be a British and US military responsibility.

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c. Clothing

Industrial capacity and skilled labour exists in ITALY, but the Italian Government is dependent on the import of raw materials and coal for the manufacture of items of clothing. Estimated requirements of raw materials are given at Appendix 'D'. Until this manufacture is possible, clothing will be provided in accordance with para 10 below.

d. Petrol

This can be imported with civil requirements.

e. Non-warlike Equipment and Accommodation Stores

These can partly be provided from recaptured material and local manufacture. Deficiencies should be procured in accordance with the principles given in para 10 below.

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- b. Purchase of items from military stocks in ITALY which have been declared surplus by the British and US Disposals organisations.
- c. Should there be items which cannot be obtained locally in accordance with sub paras a. and b. these items should be demanded as finished products in the category 'B' import programme.

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11. Handling of Maintenance, Clothing and Equipment obtained through Italian Government channels.

All items for the Italian Army provided from sources outside ITALY will be imported on Italian Government account to be received and handled by the Italian Government through their own organisation and as their own responsibility. Items made available from surplus stocks in this theatre through the US and British organisations should be handled over by the US and British Army to the appropriate Italian Army base depot.

12. Date by which the Italian Government should assume full responsibility for the provision of Maintenance, Clothing and Equipment for the 'Interim' Italian Army.

This date cannot be determined until examination has been made of current import programmes and of the time required to procure such items as have not been previously requisitioned or cannot be procured locally. Responsibility of AFHQ in this respect should, however, cease by the end of September or as soon after as is practicable and, in any event, not later than 31 December 1945. It may be necessary for the Italian Government to assume provisioning responsibility in stages in respect of the different items of provisioning.

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- i. The Allied right to re-assume control in the event of the Italian Government being incapable of performing their operational role.
- ii. The submission by the Italian Government to the Allied authorities of all information regarding the administration of their army.

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iii. The retention by the Allies of the right to control the use of accommodation, railways, ports, communications and facilities generally in ITALY as required for US and British purposes.

b. About end September it is proposed to transfer operational control of the 'interim' Italian Army to the Italian Government. By this date this army should, on present plans, be administratively self supporting in respect of service units.

While it may not be possible for the Italian Government to assume full provisioning responsibility by this date it is considered that administrative control should be transferred at the same time as operational control. The direct control functions of AMHQ and MILA over this army will therefore cease by end September except in respect of the screening of such items of provisioning which cannot be transferred by this date - see para 12.

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REMAINDER OF 'PRESENT' ITALIAN FORCES

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Iti/Iti units under Allied operational control (Serial 4)
Italian Navy (Serial 8)
Italian Air Force (Serial 9)

16. Carabinieri (Serial 7)

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a. Administrative Services

The Carabinieri should continue to be maintained through the territorial organisation and the Italian administrative services which are included as part of the 'interim' Italian Army at Appendix 'C'.

b. Provision of Maintenance Supplies and Clothing

When the responsibility for the provision of rations for the 'interim' Italian Army is made the responsibility of the Italian Government the responsibility for feeding the Carabinieri should, at the same time, also be assumed by the Italian Government. Requirements for this purpose should, as necessary, then be included with the supply requirements of the Italian Government. Additional imports required are included in the figures at Appendix 'D'. Clothing is, in practice, provided now from Italian Government resources and this should formally be made their responsibility.

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Br/Iti Service Units - reduced to 96,000 by September and thereafter further reduced at a rate of 6,000

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Iti/Iti units under Allied control - no reduction envisaged for some time.

- b. Present responsibilities of the Italian Government, British Army and US Army regarding provision of maintenance, clothing and personal equipment should continue. Administrative services should be provided to an increasing degree by the territorial organisation and administrative services which will have been incorporated into the 'interim' Italian Army. It will be necessary for MIA to exercise their present responsibilities over the Italian administrative organisation to ensure that these service and guard units are adequately administered and are able to carry out their operational role. While inconvenient, MIA consider it possible for this control to be exercised in respect of service and guard units while giving the Italian Government full control over their administrative organisation in respect of its administrative functions performed for the 'interim' army of 140,000.

18.

Italian Navy (Serial 8)

- a. The British Army is responsible for such provision of rations and clothing to personnel of the Italian Navy as is normally supplied to all Br/Iti personnel. In practice the greater part of the clothing for the Italian Navy is provided from Royal Navy sources.
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b. As it is likely that the Italian Navy will continue to exist at same strength not yet decided, it should be made administratively self-supporting. Responsibility for the provision of rations should be transferred to the Italian Government at the same time as the similar responsibility for provision of rations to the Italian Army is transferred. The provision of clothing should likewise be made an Italian Government responsibility to be obtained from Italian Government sources, including imports made on Italian Government account.

19.

Italian Air Force (Serial 9)

(This is still under discussion with RAF Medley and RAF/ATO).

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CONCLUSIONS

20.

Future of Italian Army

The present Italian Army should be divided into two parts :-

- a. that which is required to control the frontiers of ITALY and to maintain internal security in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA. The control of this part - the 'interim' Italian Army - is a legitimate responsibility to give to the Italian Government.
- b. that which is employed as a British and US requirement in relief of British and US manpower. The control of this part should remain the responsibility of the British and US.

21.

Composition of 'Interim' Italian Army

This army should be established as a self sufficient force in no way dependent on Allied administrative units for its support. The proposed army of 140,000 includes the necessary complement of administrative troops which, by using present Iti/Iti administrative troops, can be organised as a self sufficient army by the end of September.

22.

Time when administrative control of 'Interim' Italian Army should be given to the Italian Government

Administrative control over the 'interim' Italian Army should be made the responsibility of the Italian Government when operational control of its army is transferred. This is likely to take place about the end of September.

23.

Provision of Maintenance for 'Interim' Italian Army

- a. Clothing, transport, warlike and non-warlike equipment, including items of lease lend origin, at present in possession of units from which the 'interim' Italian Army will be formed, should be retained.
- b. Supply of all items of maintenance, clothing, warlike and non-warlike equipment, should be made the responsibility of the

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- b. Supply of all items of maintenance, clothing, warlike and non-warlike equipment, should be made the responsibility of the Italian Government. Such items which cannot be provided from indigenous Italian resources should be purchased through Italian Government channels from civil disposal agencies in this theatre or civil procurement agencies in US and UK.

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24.

Carabinieri

Maintenance for the Carabinieri should be made the responsibility of the Italian Government on the same basis as the 'interim' Italian Army and should be assumed at the same time as they assume administrative control of the army.

25.

Italian Service and Guard Troops employed to meet Allied requirements

Present Italian Government, US Army and British Army responsibilities for these units should continue both as regards provision of maintenance, clothing and personal equipment and as regards administrative services. Control should continue to be exercised by MHA.

26.

Italian Navy

Rations and clothing for the Italian Navy should be provided by the Italian Government and this responsibility should be transferred to the Italian Government at the same time as the similar responsibility for these items for the 'interim' Italian Army is transferred.

27.

Italian Air Force

(This is still under discussion with RAF MedWE and AAF/ATO).

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APPENDIX 'A'

PRESENT COMPOSITION OF ITALIAN ARMY

The Italian Army can be divided into the following general categories:-

Serial	Nature of Unit	Br/Iti US/Iti or Iti/Iti	Theoretical strengths (round figures)	Remarks
1	Combat Forces	Br/Iti	64,000	Consisting mainly of five Gruppi, the Carabaldi Regt, certain auxiliary combat units and administrative ancillary troops. These units are in general dependent on British administrative units for their maintenance.
2	Service units	Br/Iti US/Iti	106,000 + 83,000 +	Consisting of administrative units on Allied WE/TO employed in direct support of British and US forces in the theatre. They are under complete Allied control though their administration is largely effected through the Italian administrative organisation (Serials 5 and 6). In this category are included the Italian Administrative Division Headquarters which are in some degree responsible for the administration of Combat and

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Iti/Iti

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		US/Iti	83,000 +	units on Allied WE/TO employed in direct support of British and US forces in the theatre. They are under complete Allied control though their administration is largely effected through the Italian administrative organisation (Serials 5 and 6).
				In this category are included the Italian Administrative Division Headquarters which are in some degree responsible for the administration of Combat and Service units.
3	Italian Security Divisions	Iti/Iti	15,000	Comprising two divisions in SICILY and one division in SARDINIA. These are under the control of the Italian Government.

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APPENDIX 'A' (Contd.)

Serial	Nature of Unit	Dr/Iti US/Iti or Iti/Iti	Theoretical strengths (round figures)	Remarks
4	Italian units under Allied operational command	Iti/Iti	24,000	Comprising guard units on Allied installations, intelligence units, certain AG transport units, mine clearance and "refugee" units. <i>p</i> These units, while Iti/Iti are in effect borrowed from the Italian Government and are under Allied operational control.
5	Italian Command and adm control organisation	Iti/Iti	3,000	Comprising Supreme Command, General Staff HQ, Territorial, District and Regimental Depot HQ. These are under the control of the Italian Government.
6	Italian adm services	Iti/Iti	24,000	Comprising base hospitals, administrative depots etc for the supply and maintenance of Iti/Iti army units and personnel. In most cases these administrative services also maintain British and US Iti/Iti units (Serial 2). These administrative services are under the control of the Italian Government. These are under the control of the Italian Government where territory
7	Carabinieri	Iti/Iti	65,000	

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- 7 Carabinieri Iti/Iti 65,000
- These are under the control of the Italian Government where territory has been handed back to the Government, and under Allied Military Government control where the territory is still administered by Allied Military Government.

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APPENDIX 'A' (Contd)

Serial	Nature of Unit	Br/Iti US/Iti or Iti/Iti	Theoretical strengths (round figures)	Remarks
8	Italian Navy	Br/Iti	75,000	These are under the control of C-in-C Med but are partly administered by the Italian Army administrative organisation.
9	Italian Air Force	Br/Iti US/Iti	24,500 + 6,500 +	These comprise 2,500 service troops supporting the RAF and 6,500 service troops supporting AAF/ATO. Balance 22,500 Br/Iti are operational air force personnel part of whom are employed to assist in meeting RAF operational requirements (e.g. Air Sea Rescue). The Italian Air Force are partly administered by the Italian Army administration.

+ These are diminishing commitments (see paras 17 & 19)

8 "Refugee" units are Collecting Posts, Transit Camps etc. employed on the administrative services for displaced persons.

2. Maintenance Responsibilities - Italian Army

Responsibilities of the US Army, British Army and the Italian Government for the provision of maintenance, clothing and equipment are given at Appendix 29.3.

3. Maintenance Responsibilities - Italian Navy

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3. Maintenance Responsibilities - Italian Navy

These responsibilities are the same as for Army Br/Iti personnel, namely:

Rations British, less Italian element provided by Italian Government.

Clothing British, with assistance by Italian Government from Italian stocks.

Equipment Personal equipment largely from Italian sources.

The provision of rations is a British Army commitment. The provision of clothing is a British Army commitment in theory but in practice the greater

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part is provided from Royal Navy sources.

4. Maintenance Responsibilities - Italian Air Force

These responsibilities are the same as for Army Br/Iti and US/Iti personnel, namely:-

a. Br/Iti

Rations	British, less Italian element provided by Italian Government.
Clothing	British, with assistance by Italian Government from Italian stocks.
Equipment	Personal equipment largely from Italian sources. Technical equipment for aircraft supplied from British sources from RAF.

b. US/Iti

Rations	US, less Italian element provided by Italian Government.
Clothing	US, with assistance from the Italian Government.
Equipment	Personal equipment largely from Italian sources.

The provision of rations and clothing is a British Army responsibility for Br/Iti Air Force personnel and a US Army responsibility for US/Iti personnel. In practice certain clothing is made available from RAF and

NAV/TO sources.

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Serial	Nature of Unit	Provision of items of maintenance and equipment	Responsibility for Provision of administ
1.	Combat forces	<u>Rations</u> British less Italian element provided by Italian Government. <u>Clothing</u> British <u>Equipment</u> British	<u>ST Tpt</u> Combat forces have own 2nd line. <u>ST Depots</u> Maintenance from Bri future to be maintain <u>Ord</u> Combat forces have own dup standard otherwise for these forces are b <u>REME</u> Except for first line LIDs which are part of equipment and vehicles in British workshops. <u>Petrol</u> Maintained from Allied <u>ST Tpt</u> Units possess small qu this usually has to be Br units.
2.	Br/Iti Service Tps	<u>Rations</u> British less Italian element provided by Italian Government	

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Type of Unit	Provision of items of maintenance and equipment		Responsibility for Provision of administrative services	
Combat forces	<u>Rations</u>	British less Italian element provided by Italian Government.	<u>ST Tpt</u>	Combat forces have own tpt up to and including 2nd line.
	<u>Clothing</u>	British	<u>ST Depots</u>	Maintenance from British depots and planned in future to be maintained from Italian Depots. (Serial (
	<u>Equipment</u>	British	<u>Ord</u>	Combat forces have ord facilities up to "ADOS" dump standard otherwise stocks of ord stores for these forces are held in British depots.
			<u>REME</u>	Except for first line repairs performed in LIDs which are part of the Combat forces, equipment and vehicles are, in the main, repaired in British workshops.
			<u>Petrol</u>	Maintained from Allied depots
Anti Service Tps	<u>Rations</u>	British less Italian element provided by Italian Government	<u>ST Tpt</u>	Units possess small quantity of own tpt but this usually has to be supplemented by tpt of Br units.

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Serial	Nature of Unit	Responsibility for	
		Provision of items of maintenance and equipment	Provision of administrative services
2.	Br/Iti Service Tps (Contd)	<u>Clothing</u> British with assistance by Italian Government from Italian stocks.	<u>ST Depots</u> In 3 District units are generally maintained from British units with whom they are working Italian administrative divisions being taken to hand over the supply distribution responsibility troops by 1 Aug 45.
		<u>Equipment</u> Personal equipment largely from Italian sources.	
			<u>Ord</u> This is largely clothing and is controlled by the administrative
			<u>Petrol</u> Maintained from Allied depots.
2.	US/Iti Service Tps	<u>Rations</u> US less Italian element provided by Italian Government.	<u>QM Tpt</u> Units possess small quantity of usually has to be supplemented
		<u>Clothing</u> US with assistance by Italian Government from Italian stocks.	
		<u>Equipment</u> Personal equipment largely from Italian sources.	
			<u>QM Depots</u> Maintained almost entirely by services.
			<u>Ord</u> This is largely clothing and is from US Depots.
			<u>Petrol</u> Maintained from Allied depots.

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Provision of items of maintenance and equipment		Responsibility for Provision of administrative services	
<u>Clothing</u>	British with assistance by Italian Government from Italian stocks.	<u>ST Depots</u>	In 3 District units are generally maintained through Italian territorial organisation from Italian depots. In 1 and 2 Districts units are generally maintained from British DIDs by British units with whom they are working, assisted by the Italian administrative divisions. Steps are, however, being taken to hand over the majority of the British supply distribution responsibilities for Italian troops by 1 Aug 45.
<u>Equipment</u>	Personal equipment largely from Italian sources.	<u>Ord</u>	This is largely clothing and held in Ord dumps controlled by the administrative divisions.
		<u>Petrol</u>	Maintained from Allied depots.
<u>Rations</u>	US less Italian element provided by Italian Government.	<u>QM Tpt</u>	Units possess small quantity of own tpt but this usually has to be supplemented by tpt of US units.
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<u>Equipment</u>	Personal equipment largely from Italian sources.	<u>Ord</u>	This is largely clothing and is issued largely from US Depots.
		<u>Petrol</u>	Maintained from Allied depots.

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Serial	Nature of Unit	Provision of items of maintenance and equipment		Responsibility for
				Provision of administrative
3.	Italian Security Divs	<u>Rations</u>	US less Italian element provided by Italian Government	<u>ST & CM Tnt.</u> Units largely posed but some assistance
4.	Italian units under Allied operational command	<u>Clothing</u>	Italian Government assisted by the US and British on 50/50 basis	<u>ST & CM Depots</u> In 3 Dist and maintained through Italian
5.	Italian command and administrative control organisation	<u>Equipment</u>	Personal equipment largely from Italian sources	ation from Italian depots and Fifth Army areas main
6.	Italian administrative services			British depots or through
7.	Carabinieri (of which 10,000 at present count against Br/Iti coiling and are provisioned in same manner as Br/Itis).			trative divisions from de
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	<u>Equipment</u>	Personal equipment largely from Italian sources	<u>Ord Depots.</u> This is largely clothing. In 3 Dist and PBS area clothing is issued through the territorial organisation. In 1 and 2 Districts and Fifth Army areas clothing is either supplied through the territorial organisation or through Ord dumps controlled by the adm divisions.
			<u>Petrol</u> Maintained from Allied depots

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APPENDIX 'D'

ADDITIONAL IMPORT REQUIREMENTS
FOR
MAINTENANCE OF ITALIAN ARMY AND CARABINIERI.

1. RATIONS

If following items of food are imported, the Italian Army, of strength 140,000, and Carabinieri, of strength 65,000, can be fed from Italian Government sources without impairment of the civil ration.

Item	Tons per annum			
	Flour	Dried veg	Sugar	Pepper Coffee
Army of 140,000	25,000	2,800	1,600	8 800
Carabinieri of 65,000	11,600	1,300	720	4 400

Above figures do not include items or tonnages provided from indigenous resources.

2. CLOTHING

Following is estimated tonnage of raw material requirements to enable an initial issue and one year's maintenance to be provided to the Italian Army of 140,000.

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Virgin wool	2,046 "
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APPENDIX 'C'

PROPOSED COMPOSITION OF 'INTERIN' ITALIAN ARMY

4. A suitable composition is considered to be as follows :-

a. CONTROL

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Territorial Regional Hqs, Districts
and Regimental Depots

b. ADMINISTRATION AND TRAINING

Services	31,000
Training and reinforcements	10,000

C. TROOPS

Five Combat Gps and Garibaldi Regt.	50,000
SICILY (as now) two I.S. Divs	10,000
SARDINIA (as now) one I.S. Div	5,000
Ten I.S. Bdes (one per Terr Region excl SICILY)	25,000

140,000,000

2. Above does not include Carabinieri or Italian units employed to meet Allied administration or guard requirements.

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