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ARMS & AMMUNITIONS FOR P.S. AGENTS
(JULY 1943); FEB. – DEC. 1946

Minute No.15.

18th November 1946

To: Chief Commissioner.

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In this connection please see GOC MMIA's Minute No.14.

I have discussed this matter with the GOC and pointed out to him that there will be no Control Commission as such.

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Executive Commissioner.

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GWS for MC 21/XI

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A.C./14613/3/P.S.

From MMLA | To Executive Commissioner 14. | Folio

This matter appears to be no longer the concern of this Sub-Commission.
There are, however, some points which I should like to mention, as I foresee difficulties arising which may eventually concern the Sub-Commission.

1. The Prime Minister, in paras, 3 and 9 of his letter to CC, gives reasons why he considers it is necessary to arm the Police with weapons which are quite obviously not those of a normal police force. In para 11 he evidently enviseges that once the Peace Treaty is ratified, a re-organization will be necessary.

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5. As regards b) above. This would entail a complete re-orientation of the approach to public security. I consider it would be a most difficult matter to undertake at a time when Allied help is likely to be withdrawn, and would seem to invite a breakdown in public security.

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OCT 31 1946

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18.10.46.

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To: Chief Commissioner. 26th October, 1946

Draft letter at 34A is submitted for consideration in reply to AFHQ's letter at Folio 33A.

The matter has not been referred to MMIA. (Major-General Goulburn is away on tour at the moment), but as AFHQ are pressing for a reply I suggest we should send copies of the Prime Minister's reply to AFHQ, and that we should obtain the views of MMIA later.

My only doubt is whether AFHQ expect us at this stage to make a recommendation or express an opinion. Their letter at 33A merely asked for details of the scheme.

M. CARR, Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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OCT 26 1946

E.C.
25/X Yes O.K.

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Minute No. 2.

To: Public Safety Sub-Commission. 29th May, 1946

924 has been noted. I am at present engaged in preparing a draft of a letter to go to AMHQ in conjunction with MMIA., on the subject of armament of the Police forces other than G.C.R.

M. CARR, Brigadier.
VP. CA. Section.

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Yes see 17.P The draft at 18.A is for consideration.

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E.J. Pye Col.

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Minute No.4

To: VP. C.A.S. 20 August 1946

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At our request both forces submitted a return to us showing the numbers of automatic arms held by them. The GG.FF. return is at 3A.

I have spoken to Brigadier Hope, MMIA who says MMIA will authorise the issue to GG.FF. if A.C. agrees to this course.

The need for automatic arms by the GG.FF. is no greater than that of the Public Safety Agents. It is suggested these applications should both be refused or granted. It is the opinion of this S/C that there is no real justification for the issue of the arms.

The original letter from MMIA is on EC file 3627.

E.J. Pye Colonel
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Acting Director P.S. S/C.

Tel.Ext: 680.

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Dr. P/S

We s/Sh and agreed that this stage we should say the matter is still under consideration. The matter will only be determined when we get a reply to 19B

2/9/46

W Carey
W/C P. C. D. S.

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V.P./C.A.S.

92nd. and submitted for your consideration
Per see temporary file of even number.
21. 8. 46.

E.J. Post Colonel A.G.D.

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(HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Division
APO 794

RO/14613/3/53

17 December 1946.

SUBJECT : Arms for Venice Police Force.

TO : Ministry of the Interior
P.S. General Direction
(Attn Dott. Bilancia).

Attached letter n.2543 dated 6 December 1946 from the Municipio of Genova is forwarded to you for such action as is deemed necessary.

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For R.J. BYE Colonel
Director.

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SUBJECT:- Arms for GENOA Police Force.

2 British Liaison Unit,
Tel:52278
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10 Dec 46.

18 DEC 1946
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To:- Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission
RCMS.

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The att letter has been received from the HQ of the GENOA Police Force.

Though such matters are not within the scope of this HQ the letter is fwd to you for what action you consider possible.

Major,
DAA&QMG.

GENOA

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Telephone
Rome, 489041 Ext. 216

LAND FORCES SUB-COMM. AC (MMIA) CMF
SD/109
5 Nov 46

MINISTRY OF WAR

Subject: Manufacture of Arms - BERETTAS

Ref your letter 8031C/18251 dated 26 Oct 46, para 2.

1. This HQ is bound to deprecate the issue of 1100 PISTOLA automatica Cal. 9 type 34 to the Finance Guard and Public Security; in view of the fact that C.C.RR. are reported still to be deficient of very large numbers of this weapon.

2. You are therefore requested to review the matter, and the respective priorities and requirements of C.C.RR. viz a viz Finance Guards and Public Security.

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Major General,
CCC, MMIA.

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Copy to : AC (for Public Safety)
Internal: 'Q'
CC.RR.
SD/109/2A

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TRANSLATION

From : Ministry of War — Ref : 80310/18254
To : M.M.I.A. — Date : 26 Oct 46

SUBJECT : Manufacture of small-arms at the "F. BERETTA" Firm.

Reply to letter G 009 dated 9/9/46 and further to letter 74837/17430 dated 17 Oct 46.

1. Further information will be forwarded regarding the production of non-military small-arms.

2. "Beretta" automatic pistols -Cal. 9 type 34

Up to todays date, 2700 pistols have been issued by "F. BERETTA" Arms Factory, of which:

-500 have been issued to the Udine Detached Artillery Section as stated in letter 71552/15561 dated 2/10/46;
-1100 have been issued to the Carabinieri;
-1100 have been stored at the Brescia Detachment Artillery Section; to be issued to the Finance Guard and Public Security.

3. Beretta automatic carbines - cal. 9

Up to todays date 11.000 carbines have been issued by the "F. BERETTA" Arms Factory, of which:

-8357 have been issued to the Carabinieri to complete the W/E scale of issue.
-2633 have been stored at the Brescia Detached Artillery Section, and their distribution is under consideration.

(Sgd) U. RUSSO,
Gen.

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AG/1613/3/Pol

31 October 1946

SUBJECT : Italian Agreement - Arms.

TO : Allied Forces Headquarters
Allied Commission.

1. Reference is made to this Commission's letters AG/1613/3/Pol of 6th and 20th August and your reply - Serial No.2022 of the 9th Sept. 46.

2. In a letter to the Prime Minister dated 7th October, I invited him to furnish this Commission with the details of the scheme for the re-organisation and re-equipment of the Corps of Public Safety Agents. The reply was received in a letter dated 16th October. Copies of these letters are enclosed.

3. The Ministry of Interior furnished Public Safety Detachments with preliminary directives on the re-organisation of the Corps of Public Safety Agents and copies of these were enclosed with this Commission's letter AG/1613/3/Pol of 6th August.

4. The decree No.607 under which the Corps is considered as part of the Armed Forces is dated 31.7.45 not 3.7.46. A copy is enclosed for your information.

5. It is to be noted that the request of the Italian Government for authority to manufacture armored cars has been withdrawn. With regard to the last paragraph of the Prime Minister's letter, the project for the re-organisation and armament of the Corps will be forwarded to you immediately it is received by this Commission.

HENRY W. STONE
Brig (Actg) USA
Chief Commissioner

Signed and dispatched 31/10/46

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DRAFT.

SUBJECT: Police Agencies - Arms.

TO: Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn. G-5 Section.

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1. Reference is made to this Commission's letters 6/14.1/CA of 6th and 20th August and your reply - G5:940.25P of the 5th Sept. 46

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 940.25P

5 September 1946

Re Scheme Sent Letter 6/14/5 of 15A

SUBJECT: Police Agency - Arms.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

27A

The recommendation contained in para. 6 of your letter 6/14.1/CA of 20 August is approved.

Please invite the Italian Prime Minister to furnish you with details of the scheme for the reorganization and re-equipment of the Corps of Public Safety Agents. At the same time, the Prime Minister should be warned of the apparent implications of the present proposals and informed that, pending examination of the scheme, approval for the proposed manufacture of armoured cars for the police cannot be given.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. H.

A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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TRANSLATION.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS — Rome, 15 October 1946

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The organization and the armament of a military type have appeared to be indispensable because of the well-known conditions of public order and especially because of the disarmament of the population could not be carried out.

The Corps of P.S. Guards will soon have its new regulations and it will be without delay submitted to the Council of Ministers with a scheme of provisions of law determining its characteristics with regard to the constitution and armament in obedience to the clauses of the Peace Treaty draft.

Presently said Corps is considered part of the Armed Forces only according to the exceptional ruling of the decree 5.7.1943 No. 687, which for obvious disciplinary purposes imposed on it the treatment of the Military Corps.

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Very truly yours,

/s/ De Gasperi

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ACTION - P.S. S/C
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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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GAZZETTA UFFICIALE DEL REGNO D'ITALIA

N.177 - 2.8.1943

Royal Decree n.687 - 31 July 1943

Appurtenance of Corps of P.S. Agents to the Armed Forces of the State and application of the penal military law to members of said Corps.

Vittorio Emanuele III
By Grace of God and Will of the Nation
King of Italy and Albania
Emperor of Ethiopia.

According to Royal Decree n.383 dated 2 April 1925, on the constitution of the Corps of P.S. Agents;
According to Royal Decree dated 26 September 1930, concerning the concession of the National Flag to the Corps of P.S. Agents;
According to law n.39 dated 26 January 1942 concerning the formation for enrollment of officers into the Corps of P.S. Agents;
According to art.18 - law n.129 dated 19 January 1939;
Considering it necessary and urgent to provide;
Hearing the Council of Ministers;
On the proposal of the Ministry of Interior, in agreement with the Ministries of Finance and War;
We have decreed and are decreeing :

Art.1

The Corps of P.S. Agents, depends on the Ministry of Interior, it is part of the Armed Forces of the State and of those on P.S. duties together with the CC.RR.
Their uniform will bear a five-pointed star.

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Art.2

The members of the Corps of P.S. Agents are subject, for all crimes foreseen by the penal military law of peace and war, to the sentences and military jurisdiction commanded by it.
The actual Royal Decree, which goes into effect the day after its publication in the Gazzetta Officiale del Regno, will be presented to the legislative Assemblies for the transformation into law.
We order that this decree, bearing the seal of the State, be inserted in the official Collection of the laws and decrees of the kingdom of Italy, sending it around for observation and seeing that it be observed.

Rome - 31 July 1943.

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Translation ac/

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/s/ De Gasperi

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

Roma, li 15 Ottobre 1946

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Il Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri

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FORMATION - LOCATION - FUNCTIONING OF THE DIVISIONS OF THE CORPS OF P.S. GUARDS.

Remainder of directives issued by - Ferrari - Chief of Police, on the 20th May 1946 to the Commanders of the special police divisions and for information to all the Prefects and Questori of Italy:

1. The corps of the P.S. Guards is by all means a military corps, i.e. submitted to the military discipline code.
2. It effects its duties in uniform, only for a few services and particularly those of an investigative nature (judicious and political) and special services (escort to personalities - confidential charges) civilian clothes are allowed to be worn by a part of the personnel, in the highest proportion of one third of the effective strength in each province.

The P.S. Corps is divided into divisions.

Each division includes the following departments with a minimum and maximum strength as indicated below:

Group.	minimum	301	-	maximum	1000 men
Company	"	101	-	"	300 "
Tenenza	"	51	-	"	100 "
Station	"	11	-	"	50 "
Police Post	"	3	-	"	10 "

Charges of the division commander:

a)- In his respective functions he controls the running of the departments, discipline, food, billets, equipment, ascertaining whether the technical, professional and military instructions are issued, paying particular attention to the handling of arms, besides the instructions on the moral and spiritual behaviour, general knowledge, etc.

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b)- In his disciplinary capacities he has the power to directly inflict disciplinary measures to the maximum of arrest in punishment cells, plain or rigorous imprisonment, besides the consignment, determining the nature and duration, when the punishments have been intimated by a dependent command; he can partly, and only materially pardon the punishments when, on attaining the moral effect, he does not find it necessary to insist upon them; finally, he can suspend or defer the material expiation to those disciplinary punishments which exclude those punished by the service, always when requested by exigencies which cannot be disregarded and for the utmost time necessary; he calls the disciplinary commission to judge those who are ./.

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deferred to it for faults punishable by dismissal and expulsion.

c)- He asks the Prefetturas of the provinces where the Command is situated and the others of the area, for the funds necessary for the payment of salaries and other indemnities, to the personnel located in the same provinces, directly effecting the bestowal among the departments of the provincial hqs. and among the departments located in other provinces thru the highest Commands in the same provinces; he is obliged to keep and present the relative accounts, answer for what he receives and bestows directly to the departments of the province in which he lives and for what the higher Commands, situated in each of the other provinces of the district, receive and issue, both for the maintenance, equipment and armament of the dependent personnel; he controls the cash-books of the departments located in all the provinces included in his area, sending a copy of the minute to the Ministry, adopting when there are irregularities or infractions, such action as he considers necessary; he is obliged to keep record of all bestowals made by the administration to dependent personnel with regards to clothing and equipment; this record follows him throughout his transfers; he looks after the payment for the expenses on the repairing of arms asking the Ministry for the re-imbursment, every three months; finally, he ascertains the responsibility and entity of the damage, in case of loss and deterioration of the existing materials.

Furthermore, the Division Command:

- keeps an up to date record, in the form of a card-index, in order of grade and in alphabetical order of the dependent strength (officers and men),
- keeps the personnel files, matriculation sheets, personal officer's cards and particulars of the n.c.o.s, up to date, communicating the various variations to the Ministry, every four months.
- grants the renewal to those who deserve them and who have been considered physically fit to continue the service.
- effects the transfers disposed of by the Ministry, forwarding to the Division Command to which the dependent is due, the situation of the salary or gross pay, indicating all the allowances and deductions to be effected on account of the State or, salary assignments communicates to the same Command, besides the normal indications, also the arms which the transferred person is provided with, their state, the amount given to the interested party for food, his social state, date in which he is lost to the strength.
- provides for the granting of special leaves and convalescent leaves besides all sorts of sanitary visits and respective assertations. This is effected by the doctors of the Corps, and by military medical colleges;
- periodically and frequently visits the questure of the area receiving from them observations and suggestions on the disciplinary

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and technical military functioning of the departments or groups, in order to refer on the inconveniences noticed thru the inspections, so as to provide accordingly.

Instead, the charges of the group, company, tenenza, station, nucleus and police post commands, are those of enrolling n.c.o.s and guards, taking care of their discipline, training and professional and military culture and the use of arms in dotation, physical training, billets, food, equipment, paying particular attention to the neatness of their uniforms. The commands whose dependents are located in the provinces, will carry out, under their own responsibility the dispositions which the Questore of the same province or some officer below him, will issue for those in uniform. For such, the afore-mentioned will report to the Questore or otherwise, to receive orders.

Conclusion, the Division Command has organising, administrative, disciplinary and inspective functions, with the exception of the direct command of the men, which is entrusted to group commanders and inferior ranks.

Besides the organic departments (see encl), each P.S. division has a mobile battalion with a maximum strength of 500 men depending on the Ministry of Interior, P.S. General Direction.

Only on extremely urgent cases this btn may be employed by the prefetts of the provinces included in the division's jurisdiction

For normal police operations and public order, some divisions have organised 'reparti celeri' depending, for their employment on the Questore.

Armament: The normal armament for isolated services, is an automatic pistol Beretta type cal.9 or 7.65.

For the services in organic departments the individual armament is completed by a musket 1891 model, for those on horse back cal.6.5 and a part of the automatic muskets, Beretta type cal.9.

Each organic department is assigned a number of automatic arms (machine-gun Breda 1930 type cal.6.5 - machine-guns Breda 1937 or 38 type, cal.8) and a certain number of hand grenades.

The constitution of the Police Corps and relative armament is indicated in the attached enclosures.

Encl. 1 : Composition and location of the eleven divisions of the Corps of P.S. Guards.
Encl. 2 : Lists of the Division, Group and Company Commands.
Encl. 3 : Organic strength in each province of the eleven P.S. Divisions.
Encl. 4 : Total strength, excluding officers, divided in various grades of the Corps of P.S. Guards
Encl.5 : Organic Constitution and armament of the Mobile Btn.
Encl. 6 : Constitution and armament of the 'Reparto Celere'.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE P.S. GUARDS "PIEMONTE"

"Piemonte" Division Command - residence : Torino.

1st Group "Torino" - residence Torino
2 companies - } Tenence - residence Torino

2nd Group "Torino" - residence Torino
2 companies - } tenence - residence Torino.

3rd Group "Alessandria" - residence Alessandria
1 Company - { } tenenze - residence - Alessandria
{1 tenenze - residence - Asti

1 Company - {2 Tenenze - residence - Novara
{1 Tenenze - residence - Vercelli

1 Mobile Battalion "Piemonte" - residence Torino.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE P.S. GUARDS "LOMBARDIA"

Command of the "Lombardia" division - residence - Milan

1st Group "Milan" - residence - Milan
2 companies - 3 tenenze - residence - Milan

2nd Group "Milan" - residence - Milan
2 companies - 3 tenenze - residence - Milan

3rd Group "Milan" - residence - Milan
2 companies - (3 tenenze - residence - Milan
(1 tenenza - residence - Pavia

4th Group "Como" - residence - Como
1 company - 3 tenenze - residence - Como
1 company - 2 tenenze - residence - Varese

5th Group "Brescia" - Brescia
2 companies - (3 tenenze - residence - Brescia
(1 tenenza - residence - Cremona

1 company - (1 tenenza - residence - Bergamo
(1 tenenza - residence - Sondrio

1 Mobile Battalion "Lombardia" - residence - Milan.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE P.S. STARDS "LIGURIA"

Command of the Division "Liguria" - residence - Genova

1st Group "Genova" - residence - Genova
3 companies - 5 tenenze - residence - Genova

2nd Group "Genova" - residence - Genova
2 companies - 3 tenenze - residence - Genova
1 company - 3 tenenze - residence - La Spezia

3rd Group "Imperia" - residence - Imperia
1 company - 2 tenenze - residence - Imperia
1 company - 2 tenenze - residence - Savona
1 company - 2 tenenze - residence - Oneo

1 Mobile battalion - residence Genova.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE U.S. GUARDS " VENETO"

Division Command "Veneto" - residence - Padova

1st Group "Padova" - residence - Padova

1 company - (2 tenense - residence - Padova
(1 tenenza - residence - Rovigo

1 company - (3 tenense - residence Verona
(1 tenenza - residence Vicenza

2nd Group "Venezia" - residence Venice

3 companies - 6 tenense - residence Venice

3rd Group "Bolzano" - residence Bolzano

2 companies - 5 tenense - residence Bolzano

1 company (2 tenenze - residence Trento
(1 tenenza - residence Belluno

4th Group "Udine" - residence Udine

2 companies (1 tenenze - residence Udine
(1 tenenza - residence Treviso

1 mobile Battalion "Veneto" - residence Padova

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Note: The "Udine" group will be passing over to the Venezia Giulia Division as soon as possible.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE
CORPS OF P.S. GUARDS "EMILIA"

Command of the "Emilia" Division	-	residence Bologna
1st Group "Bologna"	-	residence Bologna
3 companies - 5 tenenze	-	residence Bologna
2nd Group "Bologna"	-	residence Bologna
1 company (2 tenenze	-	residence Bologna
(1 tenenza	-	residence Modena
1 company 2 tenenze	-	residence Ferrara
1 company 2 tenenze	-	residence Ravenna
1 company 2 tenenze	-	residence Forlì
3rd Group "Parma"	-	residence Parma
1 company (2 tenenze	-	residence Parma
(1 tenenza	-	residence Reggio Emilia
1 company 2 tenenze	-	residence Piacenza
4th Group "Ancona"	-	residence Ancona
(2 tenenze	-	residence Ancona
1 company (1 tenenza	-	residence Pesaro
(1 tenenza	-	residence Macerata
1 company (1 tenenza	-	residence Perugia
(1 tenenze	-	residence Ascoli Piceno
1 Mobile Battalion "Emilia"	-	residence Bologna
1 Mobile Battalion "Marche"	-	residence Ancona (Macerata)

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE F.S. GUARDS "TOSCANA"

Command of the "Toscana" Division - residence Florence

1st Group "Florence" - residence Florence
2 companies - 1 tenenze - residence Florence
1 company - (1 tenenza - residence Florence
(1 tenenza - residence Arezzo
(1 tenenza - residence Siena

2nd Group "Leghorn" - residence Leghorn
1 company - 2 tenenze - residence Leghorn

1 company (1 tenenza - residence Leghorn
(1 tenenza - residence Grosseto

(1 tenenze - residence Pisa
1 company (1 tenenza - residence Apuania
(1 tenenza - residence Pistoia

1 Mobile Battalion "Toscana" - residence Florence

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LOCATION AND FORMATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE P.S. GUARDS "LAZIO"

Command of the "Lazio" (Aurozzi) division - residence Rome

1st Group "Rome" - residence Rome
3 companies - 6 tenenze - residence Rome

2nd Group "Rome" - residence Rome
3 companies - 6 tenenze - residence Rome

3rd Group "Rome" - residence Rome
2 companies - 4 tenenze - residence Rome

1 company (1 tenenza - residence Rome
(1 tenenza - residence Rome

1st Group "Aquila" - residence Aquila

1 company (1 tenenza - residence Aquila
(1 tenenza - residence Terni
(1 tenenza - residence Rieti
(1 tenenza - residence Viterbo

1 company (1 tenenza - residence Pescara
(1 tenenza - residence Chieti
(1 tenenza - residence Teramo
(1 tenenza - residence Campobasso

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Special Group "Ministry of Interior" - Rome

2 companies - 4 tenenze - residence Rome
(in civilian clothes)

1 company - 2 tenenze - residence Rome
(in uniform)

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1 Mobile Battalion "Lazio" - residence Rome.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE R.S. GUARDS "CAMPANIA"

Command of the "Campania" Division - residence Naples

1st Group "Naples" - residence Naples
2 companies - 1 tenenze - residence Naples

2nd group "Naples" - residence Naples
2 companies - 1 tenenze - residence Naples

3rd group "Naples" residence Naples
1 company (1 tenenze - residence Naples
(1 tenenze - residence Caserta
(1 tenenze - residence Frosinone

1 company (1 tenenze - residence Salerno
(1 tenenze - residence Benevento
(1 tenenze - residence Avellino

1 Mobile Battalion "Campania" - residence Naples.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE P.S. GUARDS "PUGLIE".

Command of the "Puglie" Division - residence : Bari.

1st Group "Bari" - residence Bari
2nd Company - 4 tenente - residence Bari
(2 tenenze - residence Foggia
1st Company -(1 tenente - residence Potenza

2nd Group "Taranto" - residence Taranto

1st Company (2 tenenze - residence Taranto
(1 tenenza - residence Matera

1st Company (2 tenenze - residence Brindisi
(1 tenenza - residence Lecce

3rd Group "Catanzaro" - residence Catanzaro

1 company (1 tenenza - residence Catanzaro
(1 tenenza - residence Cosenza

1 company - 2 tenenze - residence Reggio Calabria

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1 Mobile Bn "Puglie" - residence Bari
1 Mobile Bn "Capitanata" - residence Foggia
1 Mobile Bn "Calabria" - residence Catanzaro

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE DIVISION OF THE CORPS OF THE T.D. GUARDS "SICILY"

Command of the "Sicily" Division - residence Palermo

1st Group "Palermo" - residence Palermo
2 companies - 2 tenenze - residence Palermo

2nd Group "Palermo" - residence Palermo
1 Company - 2 tenenze - residence Palermo
1 Company - 2 tenenze - residence Trapani
1 Company - (2 tenenze - residence Agrigento
(1 tenenza - residenza Caltanisetta

3rd Group "Catania" - residence Catania
2 Companies - 2 tenenze - residence Catania
1 Company - (1 tenenza - residence Enna
(1 tenenza

1 Company - 2 tenenze - residence Messina
1 Company - (1 tenenze - residence Ragusa.

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1 Mobile Bn "Sicilia Occidentale" - residence Palermo
1 Mobile Bn "Sicilia Orientale" - residence Catania.

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FORMATION AND LOCATION OF THE AUTONOMOUS GROUP OF THE CORPS OF THE R.S. GUARDS "SARDEGNA"

"Sardegna" Autonomous Group - residence :Cagliari

1 Company - 2 teneze - residence Cagliari
1 Company - (1 teneza - residence Nuoro
(1 teneza - residence Nuoro.

1 Mobile Bn "Sardegna" - Residence Cagliari.

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APP 2

LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "PIEMONTE" DIVISION

1 colonel or Lt.Col. commandant
1 major or Lt.Col. vice-commandant - inspector
1 captain - adjutant
1 captain or (major) director of the accounts.
4 Inferior officers: mobilization, discipline, various movements and services.
2 inferior officers - administration.

Total : 8 or 9 superior officers) - maximum
6 or 7 inferior officers)

2 superior officers) - minimum
4 or 5 inferior officers)

List of Groups

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) Vice commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer
Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officers

2 - Group with two companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer

List of the Companies

Companies with 4 or 3 Tenenze:

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 Tenenze:

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LISTS OF THE COMMANDS OF THE "LOMBARDIA" DIVISION

1 colonel commandant
1 Lt.colonel vice-commandant - inspector
1 Captain (or major) 1st in command
1 major director of the accounts
1 inferior officer - matriculation
1 inferior officer - discipline
1 inferior officer - movements
1 inferior officer - various
2 inferior officers - office administration
1 inferior officer - office services

Total: 3 or 4 superior officers } maximum
2 or 9 inferior officers }

2 or 3 superior officers } minimum
6 or 7 inferior officers }

LISTS OF UNITS

1 - Group with 3 companies:

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) vice-commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total: 2 or 3 superior officers } maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers }

1 or 2 superior officers } minimum
1 inferior officer }

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2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

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LISTS OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 4 or 3 tenenze :

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 infejio officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenenze :

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant

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LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "LIGURIA" DIVISION

1 Colonel or Lt.Colonel commandant
1 major or Lt.Colonel vice commandant - inspector
1 captain 1st in command
1 captain (or major) director of the accounts
4 inferior officers: matriculation, discipline, movements, various services
2 inferior officers : administration

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
6 or 7 inferior officers)

2 superior officers)
4 or 5 inferior officers) minimum

LIST OF THE GROUPS

1 - Groups with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officer)

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

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LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 4 or 3 Tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "VENETO" DIVISION

1 colonel commandant
1 Lt. Colonel v. commandant,inspector
1 captain (or major) 1st in command
1 major director of the accounts
1 inferior officer : matriculation
1 inferior officer : discipline
1 inferior officer : movement
1 inferior officer : various
2 inferior officers : office administration
1 inferior officer : office services

Total : 3 or 4 superior officers) maximum
6 or 9 inferior officers)

2 or 3 superior officers) minimum
5 or 7 inferior officers)

LIST OF GROUPS

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officer)

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 2 or 3 Tenente

1 captain or Lieutenant commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 Tenente

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LIST OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE "EMILIA" DIVISION

1 colonel commandant
1 Lt.Colonel v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 1st in command
1 major director of the accounts
1 inferior officer : matriculation
1 inferior officer : discipline
1 inferior officer : movement
1 inferior officer : various
2 inferior officers : office administration
1 inferior officer : office services

Total : 3 or 4 superior officers } maximum
6 or 8 inferior officers }

2 or 3 superior officers } minimum
6 or 7 inferior officers }

LIST OF GROUPS

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers } maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers }

1 or 2 superior officers } minimum
1 inferior officer }

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 Captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer

LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 1 or 3 terenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 terenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant

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LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "TOSCANA" DIVISION

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or lieutenant) 1st in command
1 captain (or lieutenant) director of the accounts
2 inferior officers : matriculation, discipline, movement, various services
1 inferior officer - office administration

Total : 2 superior officers) maximum
6 or 7 inferior officers)

1 superior officer) minimum
4 or 5 inferior officers)

LIST OF THE GROUPS

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officer)

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

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LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 4 or 3 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "BASIC ARMOUR" DIVISION

1 colonel commandant
1 Lt.Colonel v.commandant - inspector
1 major - vice inspector
1 Lt.Colonel - director of the accounts
2 inferior officer : matriculation
1 inferior officer - discipline
1 inferior officer - movement
2 inferior officers - various
3 inferior officers - administrative office
1 inferior officer - service office

Total : 3 or 4 superior officers) maximum
2 or 10 inferior officers)

2 or 3 superior officers) minimum
6 or 7 inferior officers)

LIST OF THE GROUPS

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officer)

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

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LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 1 or 2 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant

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LISTS OF THE COMMANDS OF THE "CAMPANIA" DIVISION

1 Colonel or Lt.Col. commandant
1 major or Lt.Col. v.commandant - inspector
1 captain 1st in command
1 captain (or major) director of the accounts
4 inferior officers : fortification; discipline; movements, various services.
2 inferior officers : administration office.

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
6 or 7 inferior officers)

2 superior officers)
4 or 5 inferior officers) minimum

LIST OF GROUPS

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Col.) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officer

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 4 or 3 tenence

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenence

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "PUGLIE - CALABRIA - BASILICATA - DIVISION

1 colonel commandant (or Lt.colonel)
1 major or Lt.colonel v.commandant - inspector
1 captain 1st in command
1 captain (or major) director of the accounts
4 inferior officers - matriculation, discipline, movement various services.
2 inferior officers - administration office

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
6 or 7 inferior officers)

2 superior officers) minimum
4 or 5 inferior officers)

LIST OF THE GROUPS

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or Lt.Colonel) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers) maximum
2 or 3 inferior officers)

1 or 2 superior officers) minimum
1 inferior officer)

2 - Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 4 or 3 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenenze

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LIST OF THE COMMAND OF THE "SICILIA" DIVISION

1 colonel or lt.colonel commandant
1 major or lt.colonel v.commandant - inspector
1 captain 1st in command
1 captain (or major) director of the accounts
4 inferior officers : matriculation, discipline, movement, various services.
2 inferior officers : administration office

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers } maximum
6 or 7 inferior officers }

2 superior officers } minimum
4 or 5 inferior officers }

LIST OF THE ROUTE

1 - Group with 3 companies

1 major (or lt.colonel) commandant
1 captain (or major) v.commandant - inspector
1 captain (or major) 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

Total : 2 or 3 superior officers } maximum
2 or 4 inferior officers }

1 or 2 superior officers } minimum
1 inferior officer }

1 -- Group with 2 companies

1 major commandant
1 captain 2nd in command
1 inferior officer in charge

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LIST OF THE COMPANIES

Companies with 4 or 3 tenence

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

Companies with 2 tenence

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant.

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LIST OF THE CONTENT OF THE "SARDEGNA" AUTONOMOUS GROUP

1 Lt.Colonel or major commandant
1 major or captain v.commandant inspector
1 captain or lieutenant 2nd in command
1 captain or lieutenant director of the accounts
2 inferior officers; matriculation, discipline, movement, various services.

LIST OF THE COMPANIES

COMPANIES WITH 4 or 3 TENENZE

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant
1 inferior officer in charge

COMPANIES WITH 2 TENENZE

1 captain (or lieutenant) commandant

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App. 3

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Mean rainfall in inches at stations of the U.S. Weather Bureau
and Canadian Meteorological Service.

Nr.	Station	Minimum	Average	Maximum
1	Paris	1500	2000	2500
2	Alexandria	90	120	240
3	Kiel	50	65	130
4	Konstanz	150	200	400
5	Vermillion	50	70	140

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ORGANIC STRENGTH OF THE U.S. GUARDS CORPS

"Lombardia" Division

No.	PROVINCE	Unit	Average	Maximum
1	Milan	2500	3200	3500
2	Pavia	65	85	170
3	Como	270	360	720
4	Varese	120	150	300
5	Bressdh	135	180	350
6	Cremona	70	100	150
7	Bergamo	65	90	180
8	Sondrio	65	85	170

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ORGANIC STRENGTH OF XIX I.T. CORPS

" Liguria " Division

Nr.	PROVENCE	Minimum	Average	Maximum
1	Genoa	1700	2200	2500
2	La Spezia	120	150	225
3	Imperia	250	400	500
4	Savona	90	120	410
5	Cuneo	130	160	320

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ORGANIC STRENGTH OF THE R.C.A. IN THE ZONE

" Venezia " Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Minimum	Average	Maximum
1	Udine	150	200	300
2	Belluno	50	70	120
3	Verona	145	190	380
4	Vicenza	55	85	170
5	Bolzano	450	600	900
6	Trento	150	200	300
7	Belluno	50	65	100
8	Udine	225	300	600
9	Treviso	80	80	120

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ORGANIZATION OF THE U.S. GUARDS CORPS.

"Emilia" Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Unions	Average	Maximum
1	Bologna	625	1100	1000
2	Modena	75	100	150
3	Ferrara	110	150	200
4	Ravenna	115	145	200
5	Forlì	120	150	250
6	Parma	90	120	200
7	Reggio Emilia	65	85	150
8	Piacenza	75	100	200
9	Ancona	180	240	300
10	Pesaro	70	90	120
11	Macerata	50	75	100
12	Perugia	75	100	150
13	Ascoli Piceno	60	80	120

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ORDRE DE BATAILLE OF THE F.S. GUARDS CORPS

"Toscana" Division

No.	DIVISION	Lions	Average	Maximum
1	Florence	900	1200	1500
2	Arezzo	65	85	120
3	Siena	59	85	100
4	Leghorn	250	300	400
5	Grosseto	50	75	100
6	Pisa	120	150	200
7	Arezzo	95	125	180
8	Pistoia	65	85	100

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ORGANIC STRENGTH OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD

"Land-Afloat" Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Minimum	Average	Maximum
1	Rome	5000	7000	10000
2	Latina	100	130	150
3	Aquila	55	75	100
4	Teramo	90	120	150
5	Rieti	50	80	100
6	Viterbo	55	85	100
7	Frosinone	75	100	150
8	Chieti	55	75	100
9	Pescara	50	70	90
10	Campobasso	65	85	120

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ORGANIC SERVICE OF THE U.S. ALLIED CORP

"Caserma" Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Minimum	Average	Maximum
1	Naples	3500	4000	8000
2	Caserta	100	130	140
3	Frosinone	65	95	120
4	Salerno	120	150	180
5	Benevento	50	70	100
6	Avellino	56	130	200

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ORGANIC STRENGTH OF THE P.S. GUARDIA COSTA

" Puglie-Basilicata-Calabria " Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Minimum	Average	Maximum
I	Bari	530	840	1000
2	Foggia	145	190	250
3	Potenza	65	95	100
4	Taranto	200	250	250
5	Matera	75	100	150
6	Brindisi	170	220	300
7	Lecce	75	100	120
8	Catanzaro	55	75	105
9	Cosenza	85	110	150
10	Reggio Calabria	120	150	200

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"Sicilia" Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Minima	Average	Maxima
1	Palermo	1500	1800	2500
2	Trapani	125	155	200
3	Agrigento	140	170	250
4	Caltanissetta	75	100	150
5	Enna	55	75	100
6	Messina	300	380	450
7	Ragusa	50	70	90
8	Siracusa	125	155	200

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ORGANIC STRENGTH OF THE P.S. GUARDS CORP

" Sardegna " Division

Nr.	PROVINCE	Minimum	Average	Maximum
1	Cagliari	100	240	300
2	Sassari	115	145	200
3	Nuoro	50	75	100

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APP. 4

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

ORGANIC STRENGTH OF THE P.S. GUARDS DIVIDED INTO
THEIR VARIOUS GRADES

1st Class Marescialli	-	1.500
2nd & 3rd Class Marescialli	-	2.500
Brigadiers	-	2.347
Vice Brigadiers	-	2.850
Select Guards	-	1.776
Guards) Cadets)	-	25.027
		40.000

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APP. 5

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BOARD OF THE U.S. PLAINS INFTE BATTALION.

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portation - Lieut. Col. or Major, or else an old capt.

Direct by Colonel - Captain or Attending Officer

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D.C. GUARDS (MOBILE) BATTALION

PLATOON GUARDS BATTALION

Platoon Command Detachment	:	Lieut. or Sub Lieut. 1
Command Squad	:	W/Lt 1; Brig. or Vice-Brig. 1; Guards 14.
Services Squad	:	W/Lt 1; Brig. or Vice-Brig. 1; Guards 23; Jeep 1; Motorcycles 2; Bicycles 2.
Heavy Machine-Gun Section	:	W/Lt 1; Brig. or Vice-Brig. 2; Sergt. 1; Guards 16; Heavy machine-guns 2.

Total : Lieut. or Sub Lieut. 1; W/Lt 6; Brig. or Vice-Brig. 12; Sergt. 1; Guards 53 (*); Jeep 1; Motorcycles 1; Bicycles 2; Heavy machine-guns 2.

(*) Including : 2 bicyclists, 1 motorcyclist and the chief of the ammunition group, all of who must be armed with a Sarbis automatic rocket.

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F.E. GUARDS MOBILE BATTALION COMMAND

MOBILE COY.

Coy Commander	:	Capt. or Lieut. I
3 ordinary platoons	:	Lieutenant or Sub Lieut. I; Sergts. 2
6 ordinary squads	:	Brig. or Vice-brig. 6; Guards 198
I Platoon Comm. Coy	:	Lieut. or Sub Lieut. I
I Services squad	:	Brig. or Vice-brig. I; Aspirant. I; Guards 4I; Trucks 2; jeeps 2; motorcycles I2; bycycles 24.
Light Machine-guns Sec.:		Sergts. I; Brigad. or Vice-Brig. 4; Guards I2; Light machine-guns 2.

TOTAL : Capt. or Lieut. I; Lieut. or Sub Lieut. 2; W/Lli 3; Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. II; Aspirant. I; Guards I9I; Trucks 2; Jeeps 2; Motorcycles I2; Bycycles 24; Light Machine-guns 2.

N.B. = The eldest guard of each squad will be appointed to the rank of Vice-Squad Commander.
The Mobile Coy is formed by 3 ordinary platoons (50 men each platoon) and 2 squads of 25 men each.
The 4th platoon (Command platoon) is formed by a services squad of 35 men and a heavy machine-gun section.
4 Agents of each ordinary platoon of the Mobile Coy must be armed with a Beretta automatic muskets.

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COMPANY OF THE P.A. GUARDS MOBILE BATTALION.

MOBILE COY = SERVICES SQUAD.

Quartermaster W.O.C.	:	Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. I: Musket (9I) I; Automat. Pistol I						
Supply	:	Accumt. I;	Musket (9I)	I;	Automat.	Pistol	I	
Trumpeter	:	Guards I:	"	" I;	"	"	1	
Cyclists	:	" 24:	" not.	24;	"	"	24	
Motorcyclists	:	" 12	" "	12;	"	"	12	
Drivers	:	" 4	"	(9I) 4;	"	"	4	

TOTAL : Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. I; Accumt. I; Guards 41; Muskets (9I) 7; Automatic Muskets 36; Automatic Pistols 43.

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U.S. MARINE FOURTH BATTALION COMMAND

MOBILE BOX - OFFICIAL SQUAD

Squad Commander : Pistol, or Pico-Trigger, 1; Muskets (SI) 1; Auto-matic Pistols 1

Guards : 23; Muskets (SI) 21; Automatic Muskets 2; Automatic Pistols 23

TOTAL : Pistol, or Pico-Trigger, 1; Guards 23; Muskets (SI) 22; Automatic Muskets 2 (*); Automatic Pistols 23.

(*)Two Agents of each ordinary Squad (Mobile Box) are armed with a Beretta Automatic Musket.

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MILITARY MOBILE SECTION [illegible]

Cavalry battalion Commander	:	Lieut. Colonel or Major I (*)
Battalion First Aid and	:	Capt. or Lieut. 1
Platoon Command battalion	:	Lieut. or Sub Lieut. 1; horses. 8; Brigad. or Vice-brigad. 12; trunk. 1; horses 53; jeeps 1; motorcycles 1; bicycles 2; Heavy machine-gun 2.
Two Mobile Coy's	:	Capt. or Lieut. 2; Lieut. or Sub Lieut. 4; horses. 6; brigad.or Vice-brigad. 22; trunk. 2; horses 382; trucks 1; jeeps 1; motorcycles 24; bicycles 48; light machine-guns 4.

TOTAL	:	Lieut. Col. or Major	1
		Captain or Lieut.	3
		Lieut. or Sub Lieut.	5
		Horses	14
		Brigad. or Vice-brigad.	34
		Trunk	3
		Horses	435
		Trucks	1
		Jeeps	3
		Motorcycles	25
		Bicycles	50
		Heavy machine-guns	2
		Light " "	4

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(*) It may also be an old Captain.

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P.S. GUARDS MOBILE BATTALION COMPANY

ARMAMENT OF THE HEAVY MACHINE-GUNS SECTION.

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1 - Maresciallo
2 - Vice-Brigad. or Brigad. or
1 - Brigadiere or Guard
2 - Guards
2 - Guards
2 - Guards
10 - Guards

- Section Commander
- Head of Arms
- Chief of the ammun. group (I)
  ammo Carrier (I)
- Tripod Carrier (I)
- Emergency Cases Carrier (2)
- Ammunition carriers (2)

NOTES:

(I) - They are armed with an automatic pistol. The Chief of the ammunition group is armed with an automatic rocket Beretta.

(2) - They are armed with a rocket GI - while out of service with a pistol 09

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U.S. CAVALRY MOBILE DEMOLITION COMMAND

ORGANIZATION OF THE LIGHT MACHINE-GUN SECTION

I - Sergeant - Commander of Section
2 - Corporals or Vice-Corporals. - Leaders of arms
3 - Privates or Vice-Privates. - Commanders of Assault Groups
2 - Guards - Emergency Demo carriers (I)
2 - Guards - Mine carriers (I)
8 - Guards - Ammunition carriers (2)

M.G. = The Light machine-gun Sections are in Power at the Commander of the Mobile Battalion.

(1) = Armed with an automatic pistol
(2) " " " a sawed-off Cal. 51 and white out of duty with a pistol Cal. 32.

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1°) - MAJORITY OFFICE

I - Maresciallo - majority, chief clerk
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - book keeper
I - Brigad or Appuntato - typist
I - Brigad or Appuntato - clerk
2 - Guards - cyclists
2 - Guards - sentries
2 - Guards - telephone operators.

2°) - ADJUTANT MAJOR OFFICE

I - Maresciallo - book keeper
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - clerk
I - Brigad or Appuntato - typist
I - Brigad or Appuntato - clerk.

3°) - ARCHIVES OFFICE

I - Maresciallo - chief clerk
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - clerk
I - Guard - clerk
I - Guard - typist.

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4°) - SUPPLIES OFFICE

I - Maresciallo - assistant to the wings
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - store-keeper
I - Guard - clerk
2 - Guards - sentries

5°) FOOD STORES OFFICE

I - Maresciallo - book keeper
I - Maresciallo - food purchaser
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - appointed to the kitchen
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - clerks
2 - Guards - sentries

6°) - STORES

I - Maresciallo - Chief of services
I - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad. - appointed to the mule
2 - Guards - " " " "

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7°) - MAINTENANCE

1 - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad.
2 - Guards
1 - Guard
1 - Guard
2 - Guards

8°) - FIRST AID

1 - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad.
2 - Guards.

9°) - VEHICLES

1 - Brigad. or Vice-Brigad.

1 - Guard
1 - Guard
2 - Guards

- Chief of service
- Joiner
- Brick-layer
- electrician
- engineer
- water-engineers

- Chief nurse
- Nurse

- Chief of the car pool
- drivers
- Motorcyclist
- engineers.

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APP. 6

ORGANIC OF A 'DELSER UNIT'

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LIST

1) - Commandant - 1 captain
2) - V.Commandant - and platoon commandant : 1 lieut.
3) - Commandants of employment platoons : 4 lieuts. or 2nd Lieuts.

ORGANIC STRENGTH OF N.C.O.s & MEN

1st - Platoon Command

a) - Squad Command :

1.	Chief Clerk	1 maresciallo
2.	Clerks	1 brig. or V.brig. & guards or G.S.
3.	Messenger (cyclist)	1 guard
4.	Orderly	2 guards
5.	Road Police Off.	1 brig. or v.brig. 2 guards
6.	Motor-cyclists	3 guards
7.	Telephone operators	2 guards

Total : 3 N.C.O.s - 17 guards.

b) - Service squads

1.	Supply N.C.O.	1 marese.brig.or v.brig.
2.	Supply clerks	2 guards or select guards
3.	Supply store	2 " " "
4.	Kitchen guards	2 " " "
5.	N.C.O.s for various services	1 brig. or v.brig.
6.	Clothes Depot	1 guard or select guard
7.	Arms Guard	1 guard
8.	Maintenance of barracks (electrician, bricklayer painter)	3 guards
9.	Tailor	2 guards
10.	Carpenter	1 guard
11.	Shoe-maker	2 guards

Total : 2 N.C.O.s - 18 guards or select guards.

c) - Judicial Squad :

1.	Commandant	1 Maresciallo
2.	N.C.O. in charge	1 brig. or v.brig.
3.	Guards in charge	6 guards

Total : 2 N.C.O.s - 6 guards.

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d) - Mechanic squads :

1. Chief of Garage	1	maresciallo
2. Mechanics	4	guards or select gds
3. Reserve drivers for Dodge vehicles, Fiat.	8	" " "
4. Reserve motor-cyclists	4	" " "

Total : 1 N.C.C. - 15 guards or select guards.

PLOTOON COMMAND - TOTAL - 3 N.C.C.s - 56 guards or select guards

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2nd) - EMPLOYMENT PLOTOON (A)

1. Squad commandants	4 maresc. or brig.
2. V. " "	3 brigs or v.brigs.
	1 select guard.

Employment squad (A)

Drivers	3 select gds or gds
Motor-cyclists	3 " " "
Guards	6 " " "
Total employment squad	2 N.C.C.s & 15 select gds or gds.

Organic of employment plotoon : 3 N.C.O.s
60 select gds or gds

Organic Reparts before : 6 officers
36 N.C.O.s
298 select gds or gds.

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ARMAMENT

1. Automatic Pistols 'Beretta', short type, cal.9 or 7.65	n.330
2. Muskets 1891 model cal. 6.5	n.150
3. " automatic 'Beretta' short type light cal.9.....	n.150
4. Machine-gun rifles 'Breda' 1930 type cal. 6.5.....	n. 4
5. Machine-guns 'Breda' 1937 or 1938 type, cal.8.....	n. 2

N.B. - The automatic pistols can be substituted temporarily by the rotation ones mod.1889, cal.10.35 or by other makes of automatic pistols,as long as they are cal. 9 or7.65.

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The machine gun rifles, one for each employment platoon, are to be set up on special stands on one of the jeeps in location to the very platoon.

The heavy machine-guns are to be set up on special stands on each of the two Dodge vehicles as follows/

Possibly there should be a reserve of 35 pistols, (automatic) 15 1891 muskets, 15 automatic muskets, 4 machine-gun rifles, 2 heavy machine-guns.

M O T O R I S A T I O N

1.	Jeep	minimum 18 -	Maxim. 22
2.	Motor-cycles	" 20 -	" 30
3.	Dodge vehicles	" 2 -	" 3
4.	Truck	" 1 -	"
5.	Flat truck, 625 type, by petrol or naffa	" 1 -	
6.	Cyclists	" 20.	

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SUBJECT : Temporary Issue of Armoured Fighting Vehicles to Public Safety

LAND FORCES SUB COM AC (MMIA)
(489081 Ext 400) SD/109/4
17 Oct 46

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION (for Executive Commissioner)

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M. W. Hoge. BGS

Major-General,
M. M. I. A.

KWH/ell
Internal 'Q' CC.RR G/92/1

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FROM MINISTRY OF WAR REF 226205/II
TO MMIA DATE 14 Oct 46

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Major-General,
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These vehicles are at 8 Efficient Vehicle Park where they have been recently handed over for the disposal of your Mission, by the Carabinieri as they were no longer necessary having been substituted by Allied Vehicles.

Before replying to the said Ministry of Interior we beg you to inform us whether or not you agree to the request.

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SUBJECT : Temporary Issue of Armoured Fighting Vehicles to Public Safety

LAND FORCES SUB COM AC (MMIA)
(489081 Ext 400) SD/109/4
17 Oct 46

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref your 226205/II of 14 Oct 46.

It is regretted that permission cannot be given for the issue of the vehicles in question to Public Safety.

It is the policy of AFHQ :-

(a) That no tanks shall be employed by ITALIAN Forces,

(b) That when heavily armed intervention is required in aid of public security, this intervention shall be provided by Carabinieri Forces. To this end Mobile Battalions of CC.RR were formed and issued with STAGHOUND Armoured Cars.

(sgd) E.H. GOULBURN
Major-General,
M. M. I. A.

MMH/ter

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 794

14 October 1946.

6/14.1/Gen.

SUBJECT : Arming of Police.

TO : ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
Attention: G-5 Section.

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1. Reference is made to your letter G-5 940.25 P of 10 October 1946.

2. So far no reply has been received from the Italian Government. As the question of the arming of the Police concerned more than one Ministry the letter asking for the scheme to be submitted was addressed to the Prime Minister to enable him to take the matter up with the Ministries concerned.

3. The matter is being expedited and the result will be communicated to you as early as possible.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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E.J. [illegible], Colonel,
Acting Director.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 940.25 P

10 October 1946

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SUBJECT: Arming of Police.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

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When may the scheme for re-organisation of the Italian Police which was asked for by this Headquarters letter G-5: 940.25P of 25 September be expected, please.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMBLEN,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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7 October 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

Recently it has come to the notice of the Allied Authorities that the Agents of Public Safety are being organized and armed on Military lines, parallel with the CC.RR.

It is understood that this Police Body is to be a thoroughly Military Corps comprising Mobile Battelions, Groups and Companies and that it is to be subject to Military Code and Discipline.

As regards the arming of the Force, a report submitted by the Ministry of Interior to the Allied Commission on 14th May last, revealed that as applications for automatic arms by the Ministry of War had not been met, the Ministry of Interior had procured, apparently without Allied authority, 4000 mitra, which, after repair had been issued to the Civil Police.

The report also disclosed that the Force possessed 5 Tanks, 21 Armoured Cars and 14 Armoured tractors. Furthermore, in a letter from the Ministry of Interior to the Allied Commission dated 10th July 1946, it was stated that the Ansaldo Society of Genova, had, on request of the Ministry, forwarded to Rome, two new armoured cars of the undermentioned types:- 7451

a. "Fiat" type (3 tons)

b. "Sps AB/43" type (7 tons).

The firm Ansaldo were prepared within a short time, to supply 50 of each type fully equipped to the Ministry and authority of the Allied Commission to proceed with the purchase was requested.

It is appreciated that the responsibility for law and order in Italian territory rests with the Italian Government and that the proposals to change the character of the Corps of Public Safety Agents were initiated before the elections and the institutional changes when outbreaks of disorder may have been considered by some as a possibility.

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Further it is realised that many sections of the population are still in unlawful possession of Arms.

Should the changes mentioned continue to be implemented, it will be necessary to give serious consideration to the question as to whether this re-organisation and armament brings the Corps of Public Safety Agents within the category of the Armed (Defence) Forces, on a par with the CC.RR. for whom ceilings have been set under the Armistice (Long or Revised) and by the Draft Peace Treaty, as it stands at present.

In view of all the circumstances, I would appreciate, my dear Mr. Prime Minister, if full details of the scheme for the re-organisation and re-equipping of the Corps of Public Safety Agents could be furnished to this Commission as early as possible. Meanwhile, pending the examination of the scheme, the Supreme Allied Commander is unable to give authority for the proposed manufacture of armoured cars for the Police.

Yours very truly

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral,USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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Ref Safety

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

6/14.1/CA 30 September 1946.

SUBJECT : Release of model 91 muskets to P.S. Guards.

TO : M.M.I.A.

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1. With reference to your letters SD/109/2/3 of 7th August and SD/109/2A of 24th September 1946.

2. The 1891 Musket is part of the normal armament of the Civil Police Force and is recognised as such, therefore this Commission raises no objection to authority being given for the issue to be made.

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M. CANN/Brigadier

M. CANN, Brigadier
a/Executive Commissioner.

Original deposited: The Hill with FC

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

25 September 1946.

G-5: 940.25P

SUBJECT: Arming of Police.

TO : Chief Comaissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Reference this Headquarters letter 940.25P of 5 September.

Please expedite submission of the scheme for the reorganisation of the Italian Police.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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SUBJECT: Issue of Arms to Civilian Police Forces

LAND POWERS SUB COM AC (MMIA)
(MM9061 Dec 400) SD/109/2A
10 Dec 46

TO : HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Ref MMIA letter SD/109/2A of 7 Aug 46.

May a reply to this letter be given shortly please.

(sgd) M.W. HOPE
D.C.S. for
Major General
U. K. I. A.

MWH/rc

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TO : HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Ref MMIA letter 30/109/2L of 7 Aug 46.

May a reply to this letter be given shortly please.

(sgd) H.W. HOPE
D.C.S. for
Major General
M. M. I. A.

MMI/ms

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SUBJECT: Issue of Arms to Civilian Police Forces

TAIN FORCES SUB COM AC (MTL)
(489064 Sect 400) SD/109/2A
7 Aug 46

see cy file 6/14.1/16.

TO : MG ALLIED COMMISSION

1. Ref is made to this HQ letter SD/109/1 of 23 Apr 46 to which no answer has yet been received.

2. This HQ has received further requests from the War Ministry to issue weapons to civilian police forces copies of which are attached at Appendices 'A' and 'B'.

3. Although 91 type Carbines are not a particularly vicious type of weapon, the issue of 10,000 of these to a civilian police force would seem to be an act of encouragement to the policy of the Ministry of Interior, now becoming apparent, of developing the Public Security Police into a Military Force similar in all respects to the Carabinieri.

As this appears to be a breach in the spirit, if not in the letter, of the Armistice Terms I am not prepared to grant permission for the issue of the weapons in question by the War Ministry until or unless specifically instructed to do so by the Chief Commissioner and I have replied to the War Ministry to this effect.

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Coulburn, E.H.
(sgd) Major General
M. M. I. A.

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(sgd) Major General
M. H. I. A.

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DRAFT Dealt with on CA/74-1/6.

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Aide Memoire

ARMING OF CIVIL POLICE

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5. While it is appreciated that the responsibility for law and order in Italian territory rests with the Italian Government and that the proposals to change the character of the Police Force were initiated before the institutional changes and the elections, when outbreaks of disorder were regarded as

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probable, it is considered that although certain sections of the population may still be in the unlawful possession of arms, public order in most areas is tranquil and that the CO.RR., with the assistance of the Public Safety Agents in their customary roll as Civil Police, are quite competent to deal with any civil disorders which may arise. The setting up of the Agents of Public Safety as a Military Organisation with increased armaments is therefore not considered necessary.

6. Should the changes mentioned continue to be implemented it will be necessary to give serious consideration to the question whether the re-organisation of the Corps of Public Safety Agents comes within the category of the Armed (Defence) Forces, on a par with the CO.RR. for whom ceilings have been set under the Armistice (Long or Revised) and by the Peace Treaty.

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COPY:

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Rome, 28 August 1946

77127/35784/1.6.4

Dear Admiral,

In reply to the requests formulated in your letter No. 9/28/CA of 25 June 1946, I transmit to you the following data supplied to me by the competent offices with regard to the type and calibre of the arms assigned to the "Carabinieri" and to other polices forces as well as with regard to the system of governmental control over the production repair and transit of war material.

The Ministry of War provides for the armament of the Carabinieri of the finance guards, of the P.S. guards, of the corps of custody agents of penitentiaries and of the local police agents (communal guards, sworn guards etc.) according to the specialities as indicated in the enclosed list.

As to the Public Safety corps in particular, the relative rule establishes as individual armament the sabre and the pistol for the warrant officers, the pistol and the musket for the "brigadieri", "vicebrigadieri", chosen guards and guards.

The detachment armament is not definitely set in the ruling. Pratically it is composed of armoured cars for 20mm guns, heavy machine-guns for 8mm, of 6,5 mm machine-guns and of hand grenades and tear bombs.

Such arms are however not sufficient for the total need of the corps, regardless of the fact that the General Direction of P.S. of the Ministry of the Interior provides to integrate the supplies furnished by the Ministry of War (see enclosure) with the distribution to the detachment of automatic muskets, machine-guns and heavy machine-guns which have been obtained second hand and then opportunely revised and repaired.

The control over the production and repair of arms in military establishments and in the armament factory "Beretta" of Gardone Val Trompia is being exercised by the Ministry of War, while for the remaining civilian factories of arms and ammunition is competent the Ministry of the Interior. The latter provides also - according to art. 28 and the following of the P.S. laws approved by Royal Decree 18 June 1931 No. 773 and of paragraph 7 of title 1 of the rules for the carrying out the P.S. law, approved by R.D. 21 January 1929 No. 62 - for the vigilance of the transit of war material across the borders and the various regions of the national territory.

Sincerely yours

/S/ De Gasperi

E.C. Dist 3/9/46

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Land Forces S/C
Navy S/C
Air Forces S/C
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C O P I A

Roma, 28 Agosto 1946

Fo. 77127/35784/I.6.4.

IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

Caro Ammiraglio,

In esito alle richieste da lei formulate con la lettera n.9/28/OA del 25 Giugno scorso, Le comunico i seguenti dati fornitimi dagli uffici competenti sia in merito al tipo e calibro delle armi in dotazione all'arma dei carabinieri e alle altre forze di polizia che per quanto riguarda il sistema di controllo governativo sulla produzione, riparazione e transito del materiale bellico.

Il Ministero della Guerra provvede all'armamento dei carabinieri, delle guardie di finanza, del corpo delle guardie di P.S., del corpo degli agenti di custodia degli stabilimenti penali e degli agenti di polizia locale (guardie comunali, guardie giurate, ecc.), nella misura secondo le specialità di cui agli specchi allegati.

Per quanto concerne più in particolare il corpo di P.S., il relativo regolamento prevede come armamento individuale la sciabola e la pistola per i marescialli, la pistola ed il moschetto per i brigadieri, vicebrigadieri, guardie scelte e guardie.

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L'armamento di reparto non è espressamente considerato dal regolamento. In pratica esso si compone di carri armati da mitragliere da 20 mm. di mitragliatrici pesanti da 8 mm., di fucili mitragliatori da 6,5 mm. e di bombe a mano e lagrimogene.

Tali armi, però, non sono sufficienti al totale fabbisogno del corpo, nonostante che la Direzione Generale di P.S. del Ministero dell'Interno provveda ad integrare i quantitativi forniti dal Ministero della Guerra (v. allegato specchio) con la distribuzione ai reparti di moschetti automatici, fucili mitragliatori e mitragliatrici di ricupero, opportunamente revisionati e riparati per proprio conto.

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Il controllo sulla produzione e riparazione delle armi negli stabilimenti militari e sulla fabbrica d'armi "Beretta" di Gardone Val Trompia viene esercitata dal Ministero della Guerra, mentre per le restanti fabbriche civili di armi e munizioni la competenza spetta al Ministero dell'Interno. Quest'-ultimo Ministero provvede pure, ai sensi dell'art. 28 e seguenti del T.U. delle leggi di P.S., approvate con R.D. 18 Giugno 1931 n. 773 e del paragrafo 7 del titolo I° del regolamento per l'esecuzione della legge di P.S., approvata con R.D. 21-1-1929 n.62, alla vigilanza sul transito del materiale bellico attraverso le frontiere e le varie regioni del territorio nazionale.

La prego di gradire i miei cordiali saluti.

Firmato: DE GASPERI.

All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE,
Commissario Capo della Commissione Alleata
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Allegato 23b

SECONDO ARMI IN DISTRIBUZIONE AI CARABINIERI ALLA DATA DEL 5 LUGLIO 1946

A r m i	Quantità
Pistole	27.588
Moschetti 91	75.621
Mosch. Aut. Beretta	20.163
Fucili mitragl.	5.254
Mortai da 45	127
Bombe a mano per dotaz. Rep.	147.000
Bombe a mano concesse per addestramento e servizi d'Istituto	3.273

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Allegato 2

SPECCHIO ARMI CEDUTE ALLA GUARDIA DI FINANZA

Data della cessione	Materiali ceduti	Quantità
I4/9/45	Pistole aut. Beretta mod.34 cal.9	2
I8/9/45	Mosch. " " " 38/A cal.9	60
IO/IO/45	Moschetti mod.9I cal.6,5	2.774
	Mitra Breda cal.8	IOO
30/IO/45	Mosch.aut. Beretta mod.38 cal.9	4
I4/I2/45	Mosch.aut. Beretta mod.38/A cal 9 (in conto completamento organici)	200
I3/I2/45	Moschetti mod.9I	50
9/I/46	Moschetto mod.38 cal 6,5 (in conto completamento organici)	I.200
	Moschetti mod.9I cal 6,5	400
	Moschetti mod.9I TS cal.6,5	400
I9/I/46	Fucili mitra Breda 30 cal.6,5	79
5/I/46	Fucili mitra Breda 30 cal 6,5	5
	Moschetti aut. Beretta mod.38/A cal.9	3
	Moschetti mod.9I cal.6,5	234
9/3/46	Moschetti mod.9I TS cal.6,5 (in conto completamento organici)	300
	Moschetti mod.38 cal.7,35	60
31/I/46	Moschetti mod.9I cal.6,5	950
29/5/46	Moschetti mod.38 cal.6,5 (in conto completamento organici)	722
I4/3/46	Moschetti mod.38 cal.6,5	52
	Moschetti aut.Beretta mod.38/A cal.9	8
25/5/46	Moschetti mod.9I cal 6,5	95

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ELENCO DELLE ARMI CATTURATE AL NEMICO DALL'INIZIO DELL'ARMISTIZIO DAL GIORNO DELLA DICHIARAZIONE DI GUERRA

Data della cattura	Materiali catturati	Quantità
6/4/45	Fucili mod.41 cal.6,5	255
12/10/45	Moschetti mod. 38 cal.6,5	10.000
4/12/45	Moschetti aut.Beretta	200
	Moschetti mod.38 cal.6,5	830
5/1/46	Fucili mod.41 cal.6,5	1.742
27/11/45	Moschetti mod.91 cal.6,5	1.900
	Moschetti aut.Beretta	100
31/12/45	Moschetti mod.91 cal.6,5	100
12/2/46	Moschetti mod.91 cal.6,5	200
13/3/46	Moschetti mod.38 cal.6,5	45
4/12/45	Mitragliatrici Breda cal. 8	300
	Mitragliatrici Fiat cal. 8	173
	Moschetti automatici Beretta	70
19/2/46	Fucili mitragl.Breda 30	6
20/2/46	Pistole Beretta (ufficiale in occasione	50
	Mosch.aut.Beretta (reparto bandito in Sicilia)	10
17/1/46	Mitragliatrici Breda 37 (da servire per coppie	12
	Mitragliatrici Breda 30 (una ed in parte per	10
	Mitragliatrici Fiat 35 in sostituzione di al-	12
	Mitragliatrici da 20 m/m trentuno (fuori uso dei	743
	nostri stranieri)	
29/12/45	Moschetti aut. Beretta mod.38/A cal.9	50

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Allegato 23E

SPECCHIO DELLE ARMI CEDUTE AL MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA PER L'ARMAMENTO DEL CORPO DEGLI AGENTI DI CUSTODIA NEGLI STABILIMENTI PENALI

Date	Denominazione	Quantità
27/XI/45	Moschetti mod./38 cal. 7,35	734
	Fucili mitr.Hotchkiss	140
	Mitragliatrici Breda mod. 35 cal. 8(1)	73
18/VI/46	Moschetti mod. 91 cal. 6,5	40
	Fucili mod. 38 cal. 7,35	5.000
	Pistole a rotaz.mod. 89 cal. 10,35	200

(1) Di cui 20 date temporaneamente in consegna alle Carceri Giudiziarie di Sassari in sostituzione di 20 fucili mitr. Hotchkiss spediti con ritorno. E'già stato richiesto alle predette Carceri di restituire le 20 mitra alla Sez.Staccata Artiglieria di Nuoro.

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Allegato 5

SPECCHIO DELLE ARMI CEDUTE AD ENTI VARI PER ARMAMENTO DEGLI AGENTI DI POLIZIA LOCALE (Guardie comunali, Guardie giurate ecc).

Data della cessione	Denominazione	Quantità
4/7/945	Pistole a rotaz.mod.89 cal.10,35	14
	Pistole aut. Beretta mod.34 cal.9	2
	Fucili mod. 70/87-16	35
	Moschetti mod. 38 cal. 7,35	619
	Pistole aut.Beretta cal. 7,65	4
24/VI/946	Moschetti mod.91 cal. 6,5	2

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 794

AC/14613/3/PS 4 Sept.46.

SUBJECT : Automatic Arms for CG.FF.

TO : Ministry of Finance
CG.FF. General Command.

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1. With reference to your letter N.79288 dated 21st August on above subject.

2. The question of the issue of automatic arms to the CG.FF. is under consideration. You will be notified immediately a decision has been reached.

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E.J. BYE Colonel
Acting Director.

Copy to : Land Forces S/C.

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SUBJECT : Issue of Automatic Carbines to Finance Guards

LAND FORCES SUB COM AC (MMIA)
(489081 Ext 401) SD/109/2A
27 Aug 46

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION (Executive Commissioner)

Ref conversation (Brig LUSH - Brig HOPE) of 26 Aug 46.

1. Letter from Ministry of Finance (with translation) is passed to you herewith for action by you.

2. The request in question was received from the War Ministry in Apr. We reported our refusal to you in our SD/109/1 of 23 Apr 46.

3. Reference para 4 of Ministry of Finance letter, we have not authorised the issue of any automatic arms to the PS and, infact, refused War Ministry's request to issue 6,642 Machine Carbines to this force at the same time as we refused the issue to Finance Gds. 7454

4. Should you authorise the issue of these arms to the Finance Gds will you please inform us so that we can inform the Ministry of War.

It is improbable however that the Ministry of War would be able to furnish these weapons at present as the assembly of the 30,000 Beretta's referred to in our letter of 23 Apr is proceeding at a very slow rate.

/s/ M.W. Hope
Major-General,
M. M. I. A.

MMH/ell

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(489081 Ext 401) SD/109/2A

27 Aug 46

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION (Executive Commissioner)

Ref conversation (Brig LUSH - Brig HOPE) of 26 Aug 46.

1. Letter from Ministry of Finance (with translation) is passed to you herewith for action by you.

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Ministry of Finance
G.G.F.F. General Command

ADS-9892 209

21 August 46.
Rec'd 22nd

F.79286

SUBJECT : Automatic Arms for the G.G.F.F.

TO : Land Forces S/C (M.M.I.A.)
and for information
Public Safety S/C
(reference to your AC/14601/1/FS of 13/5/46)
(and our letter n.19212 of 15/5/46)

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1; The Ministry of War, having assigned to this Command, 5712 automatic Beretta muskets, in order to conveniently arm and in the most strictly necessary measures, the units of the Corps, has informed us that your S/C has put a veto on the distribution.

2. Concerning the above, it is necessary to point out that:- the G.G.F.F. Corps is part of the Italian Army and its main job is to repress contraband at the boundary lines. This means our soldiers to effect along the Alps and shores a true and proper guerrilla against bands of well organised criminals, in possession of vehicles and modern arms, almost all automatic. These bands, owing to the disbandment brought about by the war, have become more numerous, more audacious and better trained. Our patrols take action against them with the old 91 mod. musket.

3. Having considered the absurdity of obtaining any concrete results with such arms, bearing in mind that the Corps, as has already been mentioned, must act energetically against the smugglers, and also help in the maintainence of public order, we kindly ask you to revoke the veto put on the distribution of the automatic muskets, already assigned by the Ministry of War.

4. Finally it has to be noted that the P.S. is considered by your office on a level with the G.G.F.F. "Civil Police" - but in spite of this, it has received numerous automatic arms, whilst the G.G.F.F. have been left without.

5. It would be appreciated if your S/C would kindly expedite this question communicating the decision as soon as possible.

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Generale di Divisione
Second in Command
/s/ R. Conti.

Translation s/c

Ministero delle Finanze

COMANDO GENERALE R.C. DI FINANZA

- Uff.Gen.Add.-Sez.Aff.Militari -

Divisione *Sez.*
Prot.N. 79288 *Allegati*

Roma 21 agosto 46

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA - Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.)
R O M A

e,per conoscenza:
ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
R O M A

(Rif.sua lett.A.C/I4601/II/P.S.I3/5/I946 e riferimento al foglio 15/5/946 n.492I2 di questo Comando Generale).

Div. *Sez.* *N.*

OGGETTO Armi automatiche per la Guardia di Finanza.-

Iº)- Il Ministero della Guerra che aveva assegnato a questo Comando Generale 57I2 moschetti automatici Beretta per armare convenientemente, e nella misura strettamente necessaria, i reparti del Corpo,ha comunicato che codesta Sottocommissione ha posto il veto alla distribuzione.-

2º)- Al riguardo si reputa opportuno far presente che il Corpo della Guardia di Finanza fa parte delle Forze Armate dello Stato Italiano ed ha, come compito principale, quello della repressione del contrabbando di confine.-Ciò porta i nostri militari a dovere esplicare sulle Alpi e lungo il lido del mare una vera e propria azione di guerriglia contro bande di delinquenti perfettamente organizzate,in possesso di automezzi e dotati di armamento moderno e quasi tutto automatico.-Dette bande attualmente, in conseguenza dello sbandamento portato dalla Guerra,si sono fatte più numerose,audaci ed agguerrite.-Contro costoro le nostre pattuglie agiscono con i vecchi moschetti mod.9I.-

3º)- Considerata l'assurdità di poter raggiungere risultati concreti con tale armamento, tenuto presente che il Corpo, come detto precedentemente,deve agire efficacemente contro i contrabbandieri,e concorrere anche alla tutela dell'ordine pubblico,si prega voler revocare il veto posto alla distribuzione dei moschetti automatici, già assegnati dal Ministero della Guerra.-

4º)- Da notare infine che la P.S. è da codesto Ufficio considerata al pari della Guardia di Finanza "Polizia civile,, ma ciò nonostante, sono state ad esse distribuite numerose armi automatiche,mentre la Guardia di Finanza ne è rimasta assolutamente priva.-

5º)- Si sarà grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà benevolmente esaminare la questione e comunicare con cortese urgenza quanto sarà deciso.-

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Ministero delle Finanze

COMANDO GENERALE R.G.DI FINANZA

- Uff.Gen.Add.-Sez.Aff.Militari -

Divisione — Sez. —
Prot. N° 79288 Allegati

e,per conoscenza:
ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
R O M A

(Rif.sua lett.A.C/I4601/II/P.S.I3/5/1946 e riferimento al foglio I5/5/946 n.49212 di questo Comando Generale).

Div. Sez. N.

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IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE
Comandante in 2°
(R.Conti)

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SECRET

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

Ref: 6/14.c/Gen.

16th August 1946.

SUBJECT: Italian Agencies - Arms.

TO : Allied Military Representatives.
Attention G-5 Section.

1. I refer to your despatch F.70200 dated 9 August 1946. The reason why in this case more specific recommendations were not made is given in para 12(a) of my 6/14.c/Gen dated 6 August 1946; namely, that your (-) 960.05 dated 9 July 1946 states that the arming of the civil police is entirely a matter for the Italian Government.

2. In my letter of 6 August 1946 I have given details as to the extent to which the Corps of C.S. Agents is already armed and organised on apparently military lines and the announced plans for the extension of this policy. It is the opinion of the A.C. that if these plans are allowed to develop, a state of affairs may arise which could enable certain members of the Advisory Council to claim that the Corps should be proscribed (and some would) under Article 19 of the Long Armistice Terms or in any case should be considered as part of the Italian Armed Forces under the Revised Terms and the Peace Treaty.

3. The point is whether the implementation of these plans, particularly with regard to the arming of the civil police agencies, is necessary for the maintenance of internal public safety in Italy. If it is not considered necessary, then, in my opinion, the Italian Government should be invited to modify its plans in regard to this Corps. The Director of the Public Safety Sub-Commission and Local Forces Sub-Commission hold the opinion that the necessity for the re-arming of the Corps of C.S. Agents as proposed by the Ministry of Interior is not now sufficiently warranted. It will be remembered that the proposals were initiated before the Institutional change took place and agreed before the elections, when outbreaks of disorder were mostly regarded as more than probable. The present position is that in spite of the fact that large numbers of the civil population may still be in unlawful possession of arms, public order in most areas is tranquil and normal.

4. While it is realised that the responsibility for the maintenance of law and order in Italian territory rests with the Italian Government, it seems to my colleagues that the C.S. in their present organisation are competent to deal with civil disturbances provided that they are supplemented by the Corps of C.S. Agents in their customary role, that is to say, as individual police agents armed with personal weapons only.

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5. To sum up, the Italian Government are perpetually to equip their Corps of P.S. Agents with heavy armament. Such a course is not considered necessary for police purposes. If it is not necessary, then we must consider whether such a heavily armed force does not come into the category of the Armed (Defence) Forces, on a par with the C.M.P., for whom ceilings have been set under the Armistice (Long or Revised) and by the Peace Treaty.

6. Conclusion of your letter of 9 July 1946 and of our policy of non-intervention in Italian civil police organisations under the Hamilton Memorandum PAM 487, I recommend that I be authorised to take the matter up with the Prime Minister asking him to furnish officially the present detailed scheme for the re-arming of the Corps of P.S. Agents, giving justification for any heavy armament, warning him of the implications described above and telling him that in the meantime the manufacture of armoured cars for and issue of automatic weapons to these Agents cannot be permitted, although there is no objection to the use of such equipment by the C.M.P.

7. Admittedly the whole question is made more difficult by the present unsatisfactory organisation of the Italian Police Forces as a whole by which the C.M.P. come for organisational purposes under the Ministry of War who naturally is in favour of organising and arming them on military lines, and the Corps of P.S. Agents come under the Ministry of Interior who in competition perhaps tend to pursue the same policy. Such policies are in the opinion of the AC detachment to the Police Force as a whole. This can only really be solved by a reorganisation of the total police forces, a matter in which (as stated in my letter AC/15634/S1 of 29 July 1946, para 2(a)) I hope to find an opportunity with your authority to address the Prime Minister.

Yours sincerely,
Rear Admiral, U.S.N.
Chief Commissioner

copy to: Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
Major (A)
Major (P)
Legal Forces S/C
Public Safety S/C
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DRAFT

SUBJECT : Police Agencies - Arms.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
(Attn G.5).

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1. In reply to A.F.H.Q. signal F70256 dated 9th August:-

2. It is the view of this Hqs that the Ministry of the Interior are anxious to arm the Corps of Public Safety Agents on a scale equal to that of the Carabinieri. The latter are military in character and are armed as such although performing civil Police duties. The C.C.R.R. are competent to deal with civil disorders which may occur from time to time.

3. In spite of the fact that large numbers of the civil population may still be in unlawful possession of arms, due to a large degree to weakness on the part of the Italian Government in dealing with this problem, in many areas public order is tranquil and normal, therefore it is felt the need to so heavily arm the Civil Police does not exist. Furthermore the Force should not be so armed and equiped as to constitute a continual threat to the Community.

4. It is the opinion of this Hq that a reserve of automatic arms might be kept for use only in an emergency, (the numbers already held are sufficient for this purpose) that the application for additional automatic arms and armoured cars is not justified and that the Italian Government be so informed

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P. Safety
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AUG. 030900

IMPORTANT

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Your views and recommend tions desired as matter of urgency. Reference your letter Police agencies arms file G/14.1/CA dated 6 August. You should, as routine matter, expected views and recommendations when forwarding matters for decision at AFHQ.

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9 AUG 1946
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Public Safety 16

TRANSMITTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 794.

Ref. : A73427.

8 August 1945.

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Read 9/8.

ADDRESS : Police Agencies - Area.

TO : Ministry of Interior,
General Direction of P.S.

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1. With reference to your letter 939/14.61/Mis(3) dated 10th July 1945 regarding the proposal to manufacture armband ends for use by the Civil Police.

2. This H.Q. is not prepared to authorize the manufacture of armband ends therefore the matter has been referred to higher authority for decision, which will be communicated to you as early as possible.

PER THE CHIEF OF SECTION.

H. Chir, Brigadier
Pl. C.A. Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 794

Tel : 47827

26 July 1946

AC/41513/3/PS

SUBJECT : Arms for U.S. Agents.

TO : Ministry of Interior,
Director General of P.S.

1606 16th July

1. With reference to your letter No. 929 dated 21st July 1946 in connection with arms for U.S. Agents.

2. On 9th March 1946 authorization was given by M.I.A. to the Ministry of War for the manufacture of 70,000 pistols for use by the various Police agencies.

You should therefore apply to the Ministry of War for the allocation of 20,000 pistols required for the Public Safety agents.

E. J. Dyke
U. S. Adv. Colonel
Asst. Director.

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TRANSLATION M.C.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
B.S. General Direction
Div.G.C.P. Sect.III
No.999/9606
A.G.G.

Rome - 21 July 1946

To: Allied Commission
Public Safety S.C.
ROME

SUBJECT: Arms needed by the Corps of the P.S. Agents.

According to agreement had with the Ministry of War - by which, as is known to you, it was arranged that the writer should correspond in regard to the request of weapons - this Ministry was waiting that measures be taken for the issue of armament material as noted in at ached prospectus.

Particulary urgent was and is the necessity for at least 20,000 pistols to issue to the P.S. Guards about to end or have already ended their training course.

Each agent should at least be armed with a pistol and a truncheon: application was made for a Beretta pistol Cal.7,65, as the same is not considered a war weapon being inferior to calibre 9mm.

But the aforesaid Ministry, which had furthermore informed of an issue of 10.000 muskets, has now made known that it cannot issue any assignment; adding that though the Beretta factory is in a position to cope with the needs of the Ministry in regard to pistols Cal.7,65, the Beretta factory needs the necessary authorization from that Allied Commission.

You are thus begged to examine with utmost care the unbearable situation of the Corps in question in connection with definite assignment of arms to be issued to the Ministry of War, as also the authorization to the Beretta ammunition factory for the forwarding to the writer of 20.000 pistols Cal.7,65, which, as stated before, are not considered war weapons.

Please acknowledge receipt, in regard, at your earliest convinience.

For the Minister
Ferrari

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Roma, 21 Luglio 1946

Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

ALLA HEAD QUARTERS ALLED
COMMISSION

ROMA

Direzione G.C.P. Sez. 3ª
Prot. N.559.9606 Allegati
A.G.S.

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez.

OGGETTO Fabbisogno armi Corpo Agenti P.S.-

In base ad intese intercorse con il Ministero della Guerra-con il quale, com'è noto, si era stabilito che lo scrivente dovesse corrispondere in merito alla richiesta di armi-questo Ministero era in attesa che fosse provveduto alla cessione del materiale di armamento di cui all'unito prospetto.-

Particolarmente urgente si è rivelata e si rivela la necessità di almeno 20.000 pistole per dotarne le Guardie di P.S. dimesse recentemente dai corsi allievi o che stanno per essere dimesse dai corsi non ancora ultimati.-

Infatti, non è assolutamente possibile che l'armamento individuale non consideri almeno la dotazione di una pistola e di uno sfollagente: si era richiesta la pistola Beretta Cal.7,65 tenendo anche conto che la medesima non rientra nelle armi da guerra perchè di calibro inferiore ai 9 mm.- 4 5 4

Senonchè, il predetto Ministero, che aveva preannunciato tra l'altro una cessione di 10.000 moschetti mod.91, ha fatto sapere di non poter dar corso ad alcuna cessione mentre le fabbriche d'armi Beretta, pur essendo in condizioni di venire incontro ai bisogni di questo Ministero per quanto riguarda le pistole Cal.7,65, chiede, però, la preventiva autorizzazione di codesta On.le Commissione.-

Ciò premesso-ricordata l'insostenibile situazione in cui viene a tro-

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Divisione G.C.P. Sez. 3°
Prot. N.559.0506 Allegati
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Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.

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Ciò premesso-ricordata l'insostenibile situazione in cui viene a trovarsi il Corpo degli Agenti di P.S. in fatto di armamento-si prega codesta On.le Commissione di considerare con particolare riguardo quanto

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sopra prospettato, sia per quanto riguarda le definitive cessioni di armi che siano da disporsi dal Ministero della Guerra, sia per quanto riguarda l'autorizzazione alla Fabbrica d'Armi Beretta di intraprendere la fornitura allo scrivente di 20.000 pistole del Cal.7,65 le quali, si ripete, non rientrano tra le armi da guerra.-

In merito a quanto sopra si prega comunque di compiacersi dare un cortese sollecito criterio normativo per le definitive determinazioni di questo Ministero.-

IL MINISTRO

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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA P.S.= DIVISIONE G.C.P.

P R O S P E T T O della consistenza e della deficienza delle armi

Forza attuale Agenti di P.S. Armamento provvisorio	ARMAMENTO ATTUALE							DEFICIENZA							MUNIZIONI	
	Moschetti 91	Mitra	Pistole Beretta	Pistole 89	Mitragliatr. pes. Cal.8	Mitragliatr. legg.	Carri armati	Moschetti 91	Mitra	Pistole Beretta	Pistole 89	Mitragliatr. pes. Cal.8	Mitragliatr. legger	Carri armati	Cartucce per mo- schetto 91	Cartucce per Mitra
46.500	46.500	23.270	250	8.650	14.500	27	42	12 armi mod. 35 Arcaldo n. 3 autoblinde.	23.230	7.500	23.350	N.R.	2053	2.118	30 armi armati e 30 autoblinde	418.660	108.038

N.B. E' previsto l'aumento organico in ragione di n.17.500 unità, per cui l'armamento e muniz

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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA P.S.= DIVISIONE G.C.F.=SEZIONE 3ª

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lla consistenza o della deficienza delle armi e delle munizioni

DEFICIENZA							MUNIZIONAMENTO ATTUALE						DEFICIENZA						
Moschetti 91	Mitra	Pistole Beretta	Pistole 89	Mitragliatr.pes. Cal.8	Mitragliatr. leggere	Carri armati	Cartucce per moschetto 91	Cartucce per Mitra	Cartucce per pistola Beretta	Cartucce per pistola 89	Cartucce per Mitr.pes.Cal.8	Cartucce per Mitr.leggere	Cartucce per Moschetto 91	Cartucce per Mitra	Cartucce per pistola 89	Cartucce per Mitr.pes.cal.8	Cartucce per Mitr.legg.	Cartucce per pistola Beretta	
23.230	7.500	23.350	N.D.	1053	2.148	30 carri armati e 30 autoblinde	416.860	108.038	12.110	174.000	100.000	211.040	232.300	137.500	N.N.	1.193.749	1.954.914	685.800	4433

di n.17.500 unità, per cui l'armamento e munizionamento dovranno essere aumentati in proporzione.

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SECRET 15A

August 1946

G/W.I/CA

Subject: Police Agencies - Arms.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters,
attn: G-5 Section.

With reference to your letters 940.05 of 1st July.

1. The information received by this Headquarters from confidential sources, regarding the arming of the Public Safety Agents with armoured cars and automatic weapons is briefly as follows:

2. During May it had been alleged that the Ministry of Interior had placed an order with Messrs. Ansaldo of Genoa for more than 200 armoured cars. At that time no application had been made to the Allied Authorities for permission to manufacture and issue armoured cars for the civil police.

3. Discreet enquiry in Genoa elicited from a reliable source that:-

(a) One armoured car, constructed at the Stabilimento Franconi, Genoa, had been despatched to Rome for approval and any suggested modifications.

(b) The firm of Ansaldo had received an invitation from the Ministry of Interior to submit a tender for the construction of

(i) 100 armoured cars.

(ii) 50 heavy armoured cars with "SPA" motors.

It was believed that in the early stages of the negotiations the "SPA" firm of Turin would not agree to manufacture engines as they were considered "War Material", but their reluctance was later overcome.

4. In a letter dated 25th June 1946 to the Ministry of Interior the Ansaldo firm had stated that at their establishment at Fossati, Genoa, they had 60 chassis of the "Lince" type complete with engines. It was proposed, subject to approval by the Allied Authorities to convert them into armoured cars. Should approval be given the firm would within a short time be in a position to supply 50 fully efficient armoured cars of the "Lince" type complete with radio sets.

The letter further stated that, at the Spa works at Turin there were about 50 chassis of the heavy type ready for work to be commenced on them and they too could be completed without delay.

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5. Subsequently a letter dated 10th July 1946 from the Minister of the Interior was received by this Headquarters stating that the Ansaldo Society had, on request from the Ministry forwarded to Rome one specimen each of the "Lince" and "Spa" A.B./43 armoured cars for examination, and asking whether this Commission had any objection to the manufacture of 50 cars each of these two types.

6. In consequence of this information, on the 22nd July Dr. Luigi Ferrari, Director General of Pubblica Sicurezza, Ministry of Interior, was seen by the Director of Public Safety Sub-Commission. The Director together with the Security Officer A.C. accompanied Dr. Ferrari to the Ministry of the Interior's garage in Via San Pietro Cortona, Rome. There they saw the two armoured cars, both were new vehicles and fully equipped.

Lince Type armoured car.

Weight	-	3 tons.
Engine	-	Lancia Astura (6 cylinders)
Armament	-	One 8 mm machine gun (Breda)

Vehicle constructed by Messrs. Ansaldo, Genoa.

Radio	-	Two-way set.
Speed	-	Maximum 90 Km. an hr.
Crew	-	One driver. One Radio operator/ gunner.

Records at the garage show this vehicle was delivered on the 21st May 1946.

SPA Type armoured car.

Weight	-	7 tons.
Engine	-	SPA (Societa' Piemonte Automobili, Turin)
Armament	-	One 20 mm machine gun (Breda) Two 8 mm machine guns
Radio	-	Two-way set.
Speed	-	Maximum 90 Km. an hour,
Revolving gun turret.		
Crew	-	One commander. Two drivers. One radio operator One gunner.

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This vehicle has four wheel drive, steering on both front and rear axles. Six speeds forward and six speeds reverse.

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It was delivered to the Ministry of Interior on about the 14th July 1946 according to the garage records.

7. It will be observed that the information contained in the letters received from the Ministry of Interior corroborates (with the exception of the actual numbers of armoured cars) the information obtained by the Security Officer of this Headquarters in Rome and Venice.

8. With regard to the re-arming of the police with automatic carbines. During May reliable information was received that the Ministry of Interior had acquired 1500 Beretta Automatic Carbines from the Beretta factory at Gardone for issue to the Public Safety Units. The only application received at this Headquarters for authority to acquire such weapons was on file the Ministry of War to MAAG in April last for permission to issue Beretta Automatic Carbines to the Civil Police as shown hereunder:-

To the Finance Guards	5712.
To the Public Safety Agents	6642.

Permission has not be given for the acquisition of these weapons. As a preliminary, the Director General of Public Securea was asked to supply to this Headquarters a return of the numbers of automatic weapons already in the possession of the Public Safety Agents. In a reply dated the 14th May the Director General stated that the Ministry of War had supplied the Force with 600 automatic weapons (tommy gun type), 300 Breda machine guns and 50 light machine guns. In connection with the 600 numbers supplied by the Ministry of War the Ministry of Interior had, without any authority, acquired 1500 automatic arms (tommy gun type). These weapons had been submitted and issued to the Public Safety Agents.

9. On the 20th May the Director of Public Safety Sub-Commission saw Dr. Perrard and pointed out to him that in the opinion of this Headquarters the numbers shown in his return was an underestimate when taken into account the number of ex-partisans in the Rural who had been enrolled into the Public Safety Units Corps, the majority of whom were known to possess automatic arms. Dr. Perrard agreed that it was doubtful if the Ministry knew the true figures.

10. On being asked how the Ministry had come into possession of the 1500 shown in his return and by when the weapons had been required, he replied that they had been obtained from various sources. On being pressed he said" We bought them privately from individuals ", He could not or would not disclose the identity of these sources of supply. He further stated the weapons were rusty when received by the Ministry and had been re-conditioned in the Beretta factory at Gardone. Dr. Perrard went on to say that the Government had authorised Prefects to purchase arms under similar conditions and such purchases had actually been carried out.

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11. It has recently come to the notice of this Headquarters that the Public Safety Agents are being re-organised by the Government on military lines similar to the CC.RR. with Mobile Battalions, Groups and Companies. On request, the Director General of Pubblica Sicurezza has supplied this Headquarters with copies of directives issued by the Ministry of Interior to the Police and Prefects in which is set out the re-organisation of the Pubblica Sicurezza (copies of these directives are attached for information). It will be observed that in the first paragraph it is laid down that "the Corps of Public Safety Agents is a thoroughly military corps" from which it might be argued that the Armed Forces of Italy have been raised by an addition of 47,000 this being the present strngth of the Pubblica Sicurezza.

12. (a) As regards the matter of possible militarisation referred to in paragrph 11 above there would appear to be no doubt that the Corps of Public Safety Agents is being re-organised on lines not consistent with normal police duty. But the possession by large elements of the civilian population of machine guns, grenades and other arms supplied by the Allies in, of itself, not a normal condition.

(b) As regards the manufacture and transit of such equipment which may be classified as "war materials", I have no general recommendations to make if this question is to be considered not in the light of the long Armistice Terms but in that of the ruling given in your letter C-5; 940.05 of the 9th July 1946, namely , that the arming of police agencies is entirely a matter for the Italian Government.

I should be glad, however, to be informed as to what reply is to be given to the Minister of Interior's request for permission to put in hand the manufacture of 100 armoured cars referred to in paragraph 5 above.

This application may be the fore-runner of other requests and it seems to us that some policy should be agreed now as to the general extent of the armament of these police agencies.

In any case, I feel that a request of this nature should not be made on a ministerial level, but that it should be considered only if made by the Council of Ministers and as soon as a decision is taken in this matter I could so inform the Prime Minister.

KILLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

cc to CC.
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P.S.S/c
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Polad A.
Polad B.

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
PUBLIC SECURITY GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SECRETARIAT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

15B

18 June 1946

Ref. 555/415

SUBJECT : Composition, location and functioning of the Divisions of the P.S.Guards' Corps.

TO : Division Commanders of the P.S.Guards'Corps - Headquarters

Distribution to :
The Prefects and Questori - Headquarters.

It has been made a re-examination of the lowest, medium and highest rolls of the P.S.Guards'Corps for each province and the respective corrected figures are communicated apart.

However it is understood that the said rolls may always be changed, with a proper measure reserved to the exclusive responsibility of this Ministry - also, of course, on motivated proposals made by you in agreement with the Prefects and Questori within the Divisional District - according to major or minor necessities that should arise.

It is also understood that, except for special and always temporary circumstances whose estimate rests entrusted to the discretionary judgement of yourself in strict previous agreement with the Prefects and Questori, should essentially be put into effect the medium rolls, never surpassing however and for no reason the highest ones, and keeping well in mind that the figures indicated concern the effective forces, that is all non-commissioned officers and guards belonging to the units and squads, included those in leave for any reason, or punished by suspension, or sick or, anyhow, temporarily missing. 7433

Consequently, the composition of the Divisions, that is the number of Groups and, naturally, of Companies, Tenenze and Stations, should be subordinated to the roll put into effect. However, the constitution of Commands, Units and Squads should be carried out gradually, keeping in mind that every Command should have a Unit Headquarters formed by the non-commissioned officers and guards attached to the Command itself, reduced, as already provided with a letter of May 20, 1946, to the most strict indispensableness. Should always be kept in mind that the composition of your Division, as it results from Appendix 1) of the 555/415 letter of May 20, 1946, is an unsurpassing maximum so far as it reguards the number of Groups, Companies and Tenenze, while, of course, with a possibility of reductions, also and particularly in relation to corrections made with the present letter to the rolls of the provinces within the territory of your Division.

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In order of not worsening and complicating too much the operation of your Headquarters, it is decided that the provision of page 3 C), lines from 1 to 12, of the above mentioned 555/415 letter of May 20, 1946, should state as follows :

The Division Headquarters asks to the Prefecture the funds necessary for the payment of stipends and allowances and other expenses required by the personnel belonging to Headquarters itself and provides directly to the due bestowal in favor of all concerned .

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The Senior Headquarters residing in each of the provinces within your Division territorial district , should in turn ask to the Prefecture in which resides (sending a copy of the request,for intelligence, to the Division Headquarters), the necessary funds for the same payments and cares their distribution to the depending personnel residing in the province itself.

Your Headquarters, in its supervisions, should ascertain the requests made by the above said Headquarters corresponding to what due to their own personnel, and that the respective distributions are regularly carried out.

In addition, as provided with the May 20,1946 letter, makes extraordinary cash supervisions by the above said units, while the ordinary ones should be periodically (or at least once a month) carried put by a Senior Officer residing in each province. Your Headquarters should watch also on the same accomplishment on the part of the depending unit or squad Commanders.

Finally, it is stated here that will be considered any proposals of changes on the prepared provision that you or the Prefects and Questori may make.

An assurance of fulfilment would be appreciated.

for THE CHIEF OF THE POLICE
(signed) De Cesare

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

PROVINCES	LOWEST ROLL	MEDIUM	HIGHEST
1 - Agrigento	100	150	200
2 - Alessandria	80	110	140
3 - Ancona	150	200	250
4 - Aosta	55	75	100
5 - Apuania	95	125	150
6 - Arezzo	65	85	120
7 - Ascoli	50	80	110
8 - Asti	50	65	100
9 - Avellino	50	90	120
10 - Bari	500	600	800
11 - Belluno	50	75	100
12 - Benevento	50	75	100
13 - Bergamo	65	95	125
14 - Bologna	500	800	1200
15 - Bolzano	450	500	700
16 - Brescia	135	200	300
17 - Brindisi	170	220	300
18 - Cagliari	180	240	300
19 - Caltanissetta	75	100	150
20 - Campobasso	65	95	120
21 - Caserta	90	120	150
22 - Catania	350	400	450
23 - Catanzaro	55	75	105
24 - Chieti	55	75	100
25 - Como	250	300	400
26 - Cosenza	85	100	125
27 - Cremona	70	100	150
28 - Cuneo	130	180	230
29 - Enna	55	75	100
30 - Ferrara	110	150	200
31 - Firenze	600	900	1200
32 - Foggia	120	150	200
33 - Forli	120	150	200
34 - Frosinone	65	95	120
35 - Genova	1200	1700	2000
36 - Gorizia			300
37 - Grosseto	50	75	100
38 - Imperia	300	350	400
39 - L'Aquila	55	75	100
40 - La Spezia	120	150	200
41 - Lecce	75	100	120
42 - Latinia	100	150	180

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4 - Aosta	55	75	100
5 - Apuania	95	125	150
6 - Arezzo	65	85	120
7 - Ascoli	50	80	110
8 - Asti	50	65	100
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39 - L'Aquila	55	75	100
40 - La Spezia	120	150	200
41 - Lecce	75	100	120
42 - Latinia	100	150	180
43 - Livorno	250	300	350
44 - Lucca	90	120	150
45 - Macerata	50	75	100
46 - Mantova	65	100	150
47 - Materá	75	100	130
48 - Messina	300	350	400
49 - Milano	2500	3000	3500
50 - Modena	75	100	150

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PROVINCES	LOWEST ROLL	MEDIUM	HIGHEST
51 - Napoli	3000	3500	4000
52 - Novara	150	200	250
53 - Nuoro	50	75	100
54 - Padova	150	200	250
55 - Palermo	1200	1500	1800
56 - Parma	90	120	200
57 - Pavia	65	100	150
58 - Perugia	75	100	150
59 - Pesaro	70	90	120
60 - Pescara	75	100	130
61 - Piacenza	75	100	150
62 - Pisa	120	150	200
63 - Pistoia	65	95	120
64 - Potenza	65	95	120
65 - Ragusa	50	75	100
66 - Ravenna	100	120	150
67 - Reggio Calabria	120	150	200
68 - Reggio Emilia	65	100	140
69 - Rieti	60	80	100
70 - Roma	8000	11000	13000
71 - Rovigo	50	80	120
72 - Salerno	120	150	180
73 - Sassari	100	120	150
74 - Savona	90	120	150
75 - Siena	65	95	120
76 - Siracusa	120	150	180
77 - Sondrio	65	95	120
78 - Taranto	200	250	300
79 - Teramo	50	75	100
80 - Terni	90	120	150
81 - Torino	1200	1500	2000
82 - Trapani	125	150	175
83 - Trento	150	200	250
84 - Treviso	60	90	120
85 - Udine	225	300	400
86 - Varese	120	180	250
87 - Venezia	600	800	1000
88 - Vercelli	50	80	110
89 - Verona	145	200	250
90 - Vicenza	65	100	130
91 - Viterbo	65	85	100

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R O M E O F F I C E S

Correspondence : 00, Via Regina Elena, Rome. Telegrams : Annaidern Rome, Tel. 467451.

Mr. B/21/205

Re : Chief of Police

R O M E

SUBJECT : Supply of armoured vehicles for police services.

On your appreciated request, we forwarded recently to your Ministry a specimen of the "Lince" and "SPA A.B/43" armoured cars of our production.

From information here received, we learn that our cars met your full approval and are deemed to be especially fit for police services.

As we are informed that your Ministry intends to supply a greater number of such armoured cars to the Police Commands, we beg to draw your attention on the following :

1) - type "Lince" - At Our Establishment Fossati (Genoa) there are some 50 chassis of such type belonging to the A.S.74.3 These chassis are complete with the engine and only need the tyres. Of course they should be revised. On these chassis we should build the car-body and adapt the radio-set and the armouring. We should consequently be within a short time in the position of supplying you with about 50 fully efficient armoured cars. The A.I.A.A., on our request, communicates to be ready to hand over the chassis in question to your Ministry. Furthermore, an order of this kind by your Ministry, besides satisfying the service exigencies, would put us in grade of giving for a certain time work to our specialized personnel, thus helping us to solve the problem of our unemployment.

2) - type "SPA. A.B/43" - At Turin, at the SPA Establishment, there are about 30 chassis, which are liable to be completed within a

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relatively short time. Also here it would be necessary to proceed to the building of the car-body and to the applying of the armouring and radiator.

We reserve to communicate in the next days to your Ministry the estimate of the total cost of our armoured cars.

As the problem is of great importance for our Society, we should be grateful to your Ministry if the necessary steps by the Allies could be quickly done and an early reply forwarded to us.

We thank you in advance.

sgd/ ANSALDO Ltd. Co.

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(Translation K.B.)

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
P.S. General Direction
S.C.I.P. Div. 2nd Sec.

Nr. 999/11461/14500.M

Rome, 10/7/46

To : ALLIED COMMISSION
P.S. Sub Commission
I A F.

SUBJECT : Supply of armoured cars for the Police services.

The "AUSALDO" Society , as regret by our Minister , forwarded a specimen of the "Lince" and "SPAAP/43" armoured cars pointing out with a letter, a copy of which is attached herewith, that the Society is in the position of supplying within a short time about 50 armoured cars of the said types for the Police Commands.

Before proceeding to the purchase of the cars in question, we should like to enquire wether your Commission has any objections against the aforesaid equipment.

For the Minister

s.d/ FERRARI

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LINCE type armoured car

Weight - 3 tons

Engine - Lancia Astura 6 Cylinders

Armament - 1 8 mm. machine gun (Bredda)

Crew - 1 driver
1 radio operator/gunner.

Speed (Max) - 90 Km. per hour.

Chassis - Constructed by Ansaldo's, Genova.

RADIO - Two way.

The above vehicle was delivered to Ministry of Interior garage on 21 May 1946.

S.P.A. type armoured car.

Weight - 7 tons.

Engine - S.P.A. (Societa Piemonte Automobili, Turin).

Chassis - Constructed by Ansaldo's, Genoe.

Armament - 1 20 mm machine gun (Bredda)
2 8 mm machine guns (Bredda)

Crew - 1 Car commander
2 drivers (1 front, 1 rear)
1 radio operator
1 gunner,

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Speed (Max) - 90 Km per hour.

RADIO Two-way

This vehicle has four wheel drive, steering on both front and rear axles; six speeds forward and six speeds in reveres; by reason of its construction this vehicle can be operated in both directions with the same efficiency.

Was delivered to Ministry of Interior garage on or about 10 July 1946.

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Mod. 872

Roma IO luglio 1946 /9

Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

Al COMANDO COMMISSIONE
ALLEATA=SOTTOCOMMISSIONE
PER LA P.G. ROMA

Divisione GCF Sez. 2
Prot. N. 3999.11461. Allegati
14600.F

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO Fornitura di mezzi blindati per i servizi di polizia

La Soc.Ansaldo a seguito di richiesta da parte di questo Ministero ha inviato un campione delle autoblindo tipo Lince e di quella tipo SPAAB/43 facendo presente,con la lettera di cui si allega copia che per dotarne i dipendenti reparti di polizia,potrebbe fornire circa 50 autoblindo dei due tipi entro breve termine.

Prima di pro-cedere all'eventuale acquisto degli automezzi di cui trattasi,si gradirebbe conoscere se nulla osta da parte di codesta Commissione alla fornitura di cui trattasi.

PEL MINISTRO

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Corrispondenza Via Regina Elena,86-Roma-Telegrammi Ansaldosa-Roma-Tel.487,41

A Sua Eccellenza
IL CAPO DELLA POLIZIA
R O M A

Da ci- tarsi nella risposta	Lettera N.	Data
	B.21/208	25.6.1946

OGGETTO: Fornitura di mezzi blindati per i servizi di Polizia-

Vs.riferimento _____ del _____

Recentemente, a seguito della Vostra gradita richiesta, Vi abbiamo inviato un campione rispettivamente della nostra autoblinda tipo "Lince" e di quella tipo "SPA" A.B/43".

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Da informazioni pervenuteci, questi mezzi sono risultati di Vostro completo gradimento e particolarmente idonei ai servizi di Polizia.

Poichè ci risulta che è Vostra intenzione dotare di un sempre maggior numero di mezzi blindati i Vostri reparti, noi Vi facciamo presente quanto segue:

1°) - Tipo "Lince" - Esistono presso il nostro Stabilimento Fossati a Genova circa 60 autotelai di tale tipo e che sono di proprietà della A.R.A.R.- Questi autotelai sono completi di motore e di ogni altro organo e mancano soltanto delle gomme. Naturalmente dovrebbero essere prima revisionati.

Su questi autotelai noi dovremmo eseguire la costruzione della carrozzatura e l'applicazione della radio e dell'armamento.

Saremo quindi in grado, in breve tempo, di poterVi fornire circa 50

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Saremo quindi in grado, in breve tempo, di poterVi fornire circa 50 di questi mezzi in perfetta condizione di efficienza.
L'A.R.A.R., da noi interpellata, ha dichiarato che sarebbe senz'altro disposta a cederVi gli autotelai.
Un'ordinazione da parte Vostra di queste autoblinde, oltre a soddisfare le esigenze del Vostro servizio, permetterebbe a noi di dare lavoro, per un certo periodo di tempo, alle nostre maestranze specializzate aiutandoci così a risolvere il problema della nostra disoccupazione.

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2°) - Per il tipo "SPA".A.B/43",sono giacenti a Torino presso la SPA circa una cinquantina di autotelai che potrebbero essere messi in efficienza in tempo sufficientemente rapido. Anche qui occorrerebbe procedere alla costruzione della carrozzatura ed alla installazione della radio e dello armamento.-

Ci riserviamo di farVi conoscere,entro lo spazio di pochi giorni, il preventivo completo di spese per ciascuno di questi mezzi corazzati.

Poichè il problema è per noi urgente,Vi saremo riconoscenti se ci potrete comunicare qualche cosa in merito con cortese sollecitudine,dopo aver fatto i necessari passi presso le Autorità Alleate.-

Vi ringraziamo e distintamente Vi salutiamo.-

ANSALDO S.A.

Firmato

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 940.05 9 July 1946

SUBJECT: Police Agencies - Arms.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

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Reference is made to your 6/14.1/CA, subject as above, 19 June 46.

1. While it is agreed that tanks, armored cars and heavy machine guns are not normally appropriate to the functions of civilian police, it is considered that the arming of these agencies is entirely a matter for the Italian Government.

2. The policy to be followed in this matter is therefore that described in paragraph 8(b) of your reference letter.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

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A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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BR POLAD
US POLAD
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C/S MTO
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 940.05

1 July 1946

SUBJECT: Police Agencies - Arms.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794

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Reference AC letter 6/14.1/CA, subject as above, 19 June 1946.

1. The establishment of an arms policy for Italian police agencies other than CC.RR is under study.

2. Entirely apart from the matter of such an arms policy are the implications of your comments in para 4 concerning the rumored production of armored cars and the black market purchase of arms by the Italian Government.

3. As you know, the "Instrument of Surrender of ITALY", 29 September, by Article 13, prescribed that "the manufacture, production and construction of War Materials and its import, export and transit is prohibited, except as directed by the United Nations". These terms will remain effective until the signing of the "Agreement Modifying the Italian Armistice Regime", at which time they will be abrogated. However, this New Agreement provides by para IIIa that the New Section of AFHQ to be established "shall control the production of armament".

4. It clearly is and will continue to be the responsibility of ALCOM or of the organisation assuming ALCOM's remaining functions, to insure that no production or distribution of war materials is effected without prior Allied authority.

5. It is desired that you initiate action to verify the "unconfirmed rumors" mentioned in your para 4. You are authorised to seek the cooperation of such other Allied agencies as are available to assist you in this matter. As this is the first instance to come to attention that the Italian Government may be violating the spirit of the Armistice Terms, the SAC is anxious that he be fully informed of the results of your investigations. Confirmation of the alleged violation might well have serious repercussions on the Allied attitude in future relationship with the Italian Government.

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6. A report of your findings with a subsequent report of the Italian Government's action will be forwarded to this headquarters. If it is found that some delay will be incurred before either of these reports can be made an interim report to that effect is desired.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Ref: C/1.4/2.

19 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Police Agencies - Italy.

TO : Allied Commission,
Italy (for Section).

1. I wish to draw your attention to the present situation as regards the strength and armament of the Police forces and agencies in Italy.

2. Information regarding strength and types of armament have been laid down by the CCAC for the Italian Navy, Air Force and Army (including C.C.R.) which are controlled by their respective Service sub-Commissions.

The C.C.R. numbering 7,000, although a corps of the Italian Army, form a large part of the existing police forces in Italy. Considered as a police force they are very heavily armed.

3. As regards other Police forces and agencies no limit has been placed on their strength and armament which matters have been left in the hands of the Italian Government.

Their present approximate strengths are as follows:

Public Safety Guards	...	45,000
Railway Police	...	6,000
Finance Guards	...	31,000
Forest Guards	...	6,000
Local Police	...	7,000
Total	...	95,000

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The above strength is not considered in any way excessive especially having regard to the fact that these duties now include those previously carried out by the disbanded Fascist Militia which numbered about 150,000.

4. It is, however, the armament of these Police Organisations (which do not include C.C.R.) which calls for comment.

It is estimated that these Police Forces and Agencies are now armed with:

Guns	...	5
Armoured Cars	...	30
Heavy Machine Guns	...	1000
Light Automatics	...	10000
Carbines	...	70000
Pistols	...	6000

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7. In regard any provision in the existing or any revised Armistice Terms or in any Peace Treaty it is not known whether such a formidably armed police force in addition to the recognized armed military forces was or is contemplated. It is pointed out, however, that depending upon the political situation such armed police forces are potentially either a valuable addition or a serious menace to the recognized armed forces.

8. Instructions are requested as to whether:

(a) We should support or advise the Italian Government to refuse the surrender of police appealed to a neutral nation, and

(b) We should adopt arbitrary veto to prevent an Italian internal matter, particularly in view of the fundamental revision in the Italian regime?

/s/ Ellsworth Bunker

Ellsworth Bunker
Major General, USA
Chief Representative

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MEMORANDUM

DATE	FROM	TO	ACTION REQUIRED
12 July	"Q"	A/G	Today interviewed rep Beretta Firm who furnished attached list of "orders" which for him are refusing permission to execute. Informed him HMCA not interested except to obtain AG and GHQ decision and that matter would be expedited if the Min of Interior would write to AG. He undertook to take the matter up with the Min of Interior and to send us a copy of his letter. (Sgd) R.A. CURTISS Lt.-Col.
12 July	A/G	"Q"	Please send this or a copy to Brig CARR and to Public Safety for information. (Sgd) W. FIDSLER Col.
15 July	"Q"	AG for Civil Affairs. AG for Public Safety S/C.	Forwarded for your information. CC letter 9/23/CA dated 25 June and Land Forces S/C letter Q.009 dated 20 June refer. (R.A. CURTISS) Lt.-Col.

File Q.009.

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ORDINI DI VERSAMENTO FORNITURA PIOMBO AUTOMATICHE "DEGENTA"

		Kg.	Cad.
Corpo Metropolitano Notturno	MILANO	303	7,65
Comune di	GENOVA	500	7,65
Comune di	VENEZIA	500	7,65
Comune di	BOLOGNA	500	7,65
Comune di	TORINO	500	7,65
Comune di	MILANO	27	7,65
Comune di	RAVENNA	40	7,65
Comune di	RIMINI	100	7,65
Comune di	FIRENZE	....	....
Comune di	NAPOLI	11	7,65
Comune di	PESARO	80	7,65
Comune di	PISTOIA	30	7.65
Comune di	SAN REMO	60	7,65
Corpo Vigili Guardie Giurate	GENOVA	80	7,65
Comune di	ORTONA A MARE	14	7,65
Comune di Jesi	JESI	20	7,65
Direz.Poste e Teleg.	BRESCIA	30	7,65
Comune di	PADOVA	70	7,65
Manifat.Tabacchi	GENOVA	8	7,65
Banco di Chioggia	CHIOGGIA	30	7,65
Banco di Roma	TORINO	20	7,65
Comune di	RAVENNA	40	7,65
Silurificio Ital.	NAPOLI	15	7,65
Comune di	MONTE ARGENTARIO	15	7,65
Industria Ferrania	SAVONA	15	7,65
Banca Commerciale Italiana	GENOVA	50	7,65
Stabilimenti Monte Catini	MILANO	100	7,65

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		No.	Cal.
Ferriere Dolomette	GENOVA	24	7.65
Ollero Coral Cylesio	GENOVA	50	7.65
Centro 21	GENOVA	50	7.65
Thal Genzubi	GENOVA	25	7.65
Centro 21	GENOVA	50	7.65
Reggio Cavalg.21 Mariner.	VOGHERA	14	7.65
Comando Corpo delle Foreste	FIRENZE	75	7.65
Centro 21 Isola	ISOLA	40	7.65
Centro 21	CORI	4	7.65
Centro 21	PIEDIMONTE	12	7.65
Centro 21	PISA	100	7.65
Vigilanza Notturna	ASCOLI PICENO	15	7.65
Centro 21	PORTICI S. SEBASTIANO	4	7.65
Banca d'America in Italia	NAPOLI	65	7.65
Manifesti	MONTE CALVARIO	10	7.65
Istituto Vigilanza Privata	CHIESA	20	7.65
Tivo	PONTE LAGNOSO	22	7.65
Infanteria Vallemala & Insedio	MILANO	7	7.65
Incidenti ferroviari di Mort.	VARESE	35	7.65
Off. Ospedaliere Regione	REGGIO EMILIA	25	7.65
Carceri Giudiziarie	PERUGIA	100	7.65
Carceri Giudiziarie Centrali	LIVORNO	48	7.65
Carceri Giudiziarie	NOVA	7	7.65
Carceri Giudiziario	REGGIO EMILIA	100	7.65
Manifatture Tabacchi	MODENA	6	7.65
Lavoro Sui Insoid	SIENA	50	7.65
Consorzio Bonifica Montiv.	GUARDIAGRELE	25	7.65
Corpo Vigili Giurati	PERUGIA	325	7.65

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	No.	
Corpo di	LECCE	20	7.65
Corpo di	S. MARGHERITA LIGURE	6	7.65
Stabilimento Tecnici e Petrol	CORTARO	3	7.65
Corpo delle Foreste	ROMA	100	7.65
V Corpo Vigili del Fuoco	L'AQUILA	1	7.65
Metall. Italiane	CASSA DEPOSITI	33	7.65
Banco di Napoli	NAPOLI	150	7.65
Cantieri Nav. Italiani	CANTIERI DI SAVONA	10	7.65
Cantieri Navali	LA SPEZIA	150	7.65
Tramvie Ali. Torinesi	TORINO	10	7.65
Ufficio Terni Orlando	MUGGIANO	50	7.65
Cantieri Navali	LIVORNO	250	7.65.

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SUBJECT:- Manufacture Small Arms Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.,
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
3.099

12 July 1946

TO : War Ministry

Reference your 36416 dated 31 May 1946.

1. Approval is given for the manufacture of the following maximum quantity of small arms ammunition :-

Cal. 6,5 special practice amm. 9,000,000 rounds

2. It is noted that the manufacture will be assigned to the CAPUA Military Factory under direct supervision of the War Ministry, and that you confirm the necessary precautions will be taken to limit production to the quantity and for the purpose stated, viz., the training of CC.RR, Finance Guards and Public Security Agents.

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Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to : CHJ (ref.EST/81/3 of 23 Jan 46)
A.C. (for Exec.Comm.)
A.C. (for Public Safety S/C.-)
10 B.L.H. to report on progress

Internal : "G"
CC.RR.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478427

AC/14613/3/PS

27 May 1946

SUBJECT : Arms for Civil Police.

TO : VP Civil Affairs Section.

1. With reference to 5A on AC/14513/3/PS Temporary Cover.

2. In response to letters at 87A and 88 A replies at 89A and 90A were received from the GG.FF. and Ministry of Interior.

3. The return as submitted by the GG.FF. may be reasonably accurate but as a result of other information in my possession I had good reason to believe that the numbers of arms shown by Dr. Ferrari were below the true figure therefore I saw him on 24th May and discussed the question with him.

4. I pointed out that it was the opinion of this Hq. that there were at least 10,000 automatic weapons in possession of the Questura Agents throughout Italy, especially when consideration was given to the numbers of ex Partisans in the North who had been enrolled into the Questura, the majority of whom were known to possess automatic arms.

5. Dr. Ferrari did not think such a large figure was true but agreed that it was doubtful if the Ministry of Interior know the true figures. He gave me the latest record in possession of the Ministry (see 91A & B). These figures are slightly in excess of those shown in 89A.

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6. As the Questura were not armed with automatic weapons before the war and as none had been supplied by the Allied Authorities in Rome, I asked Ferrari how the Questura had come into possession of those shown in his return.

7. He replied that they had been obtained from various sources. On being pressed he said "We bought them privately from individuals. I cannot disclose their identity without breaking a promise". He went on to explain that persons who remained anonymous approached him offering automatic arms for sale. If the offer was reasonable the individual concerned was held until the Questura authorities had collected the arms from the place where they were alleged to be stored, after which he was paid and allowed to go.

8. I pointed out to Dr. Ferrari that I knew the Questura were in possession of new automatic Berettas. He replied "No, not new. They have been repaired. They were all rusty when we received them". I asked him where he had effected the repairs, he replied "In the Beretta factory at Gardone". On being asked if the whole of the weapons shown in the returns had been repaired at the factory, he replied "Oh no" but he could not, or would not give the figures of those repaired. (This information corroborates that received by this Hq. from a confidential source). He did not give any indication with regard to the price paid for the weapons.

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14. There is not the slightest doubt the Ministry of the Interior has been participating and authorising "Gun Running" in Italy, therefore with such a state of affairs in existence it is hopeless to try to effect a reduction in the numbers of persons illegally holding arms, or an effective enforcement of law and order.

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16. Submitted for consideration.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
PUBLIC SECURITY HEADQUARTERS
SECRETARIAT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Ref. 555/415

Rome, 20 May 1946

Subject : Composition, dislocation and functioning of the corps of the P.S.Guards' Divisions

To : Commanders of the Special Divisions of Police - Headquarters Kingdom's Prefects and Questori - Headquarters

It is forestated that the Corps of P.S.Guards is thouroughly a military Corps, and thus submitted to the military code and discipline. It, therefore, serves in uniform, colour and fashion of which will be told successively.

Only for some services and more particularly for those of investigation (judiciary and political) and special (escort to personnages, most confidential duty etc.) is permitted a civil dress for part of the personnel in a maximum and unsurpassing scale of one third of the actual strength, set out, as will be seen further, for each Province.

Those belonging to the echelons in uniforms will serve exclusively under their respective Officers, who will transmit to them the orders issued by the P.S.Officials, and will see, under their own responsibility, that they be observed by their own dependants, also with frequent inspections.

Those belonging to group in civil dress will, instead, depend directly from the P.S.Officials appointed at the respective services and will follow their orders. To the disciplinary, enrolling, cantonment, military drill, armament and supply effects, the non-commissioned officers, ranks and files of the groups in civil dress, will belong, as those in uniform, to the organic echelons located in the province and, therefore, in this respect, and only in this respect, they will depend from the officers in charge of the above mentioned echelons.

Hence it is brought to your knowledge that this Division, which takes the name of Corps of P.S.Guards'Division, is composed and territorially located as it results from the accluded Appendix 1.

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Moreover you may, in agreement with the Prefects and Questori concerned, make - according to the number of echelons - motivated proposals of modifications to the above referred settlement, which are considered necessary due to the surrounding circumstances.

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The same may be said about the location of echelons in the provinces within the Division District.

Hence it is added that the lowest and highest cadres of this Headquarters and of the depending Headquarters result from the accluded Appendix 2.

The above said cadres, though low, should be realized gradually, using first the effective and auxiliary officers already located in the territory of this Division, and secondly those who will successivcly be allotted by this General Headquarters - Division of P.S.Personnel - Officers Section, to which all applications should be directed.

Furthermore, to each Headquarters should be allotted by you the non commissioned officers, ranks and files strictly, and only strictly, needful for their functions, communicating to this Ministry - F.A.P. Division - the rank, personal items and duties which are fulfilling.

So far as it concerns the rolls of the various units included in this Division, it must be said that the lowest and highest set out of the whole Corps are the following:

GROUP	minimum	301	maximum	1000	men
COMPANY	"	101	"	300	"
TENENZA	"	50	"	100	"
STATION	"	11	"	50	"
POST OF POLICE	"	3	"	10	"

These figures, of course, are not absolutely fixed. 7400

The number of those componing the squads in civil dress will, instead, be established with regard to the importance of the service and of the Questura to which they are attached, on agreement between you and the Questore concerned, in the unsurpassing limits of one third of the present roll allotted in the lowest and highest limitations established by the accluded Appendix 3, to the provinces comprised in the district of your Division.

With regard to such a number the squads will be placed by you under the commanding of an officer or a non-commissioned officer for the above mentioned limited duties of discipline, military drill, cantonment, supply, equipment etc. To these effects the squads will fully belong to the organized settlements, Tenenze or Companies, located in the same province. For the gradual formation of units, you should make use of the personnel already located in the provinces, having above all in mind the minimum roll to these allotted as in Appendix 3, and, with regard to the scale between non-commissioned officers and guards, that of the Corps resulting from the accluded Appendix 4. Only if there will be the requested availability, and provided it will not be considered exuberant to the needs of the province, may be attained the medium roll, and if this too is thought insuffi-

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The number of those componing the squads in civil dress will, instead, be established with regard to the importance of the service and of the Questura to which they are attached, on agreement between you and the Questore concerned, in the unsurpassing limits of one third of the present roll allotted in the lowest and highest limitations established by the accluded Appendix 3, to the provinces comprised in the district of your Division.

With regard to such a number the squads will be placed by you under the commanding of an officer or a non-commissioned officer for the above mentioned limited duties of discipline, military drill, cantonment, supply, equipment etc. To these effects the squads will fully belong to the organized settlements, Tenenze or Companies, located in the same province. For the gradual formation of units, you should make use of the personnel already located in the provinces, having above all in mind the minimum roll to these allotted as in Appendix 3, and, with regard to the scale between non-commissioned officers and guards, that of the Corps resulting from the accluded Appendix 4. Only if there will be the requested availability, and provided it will not be considered exuberant to the needs of the province, may be attained the medium roll, and if this too is thought insufficient, the highest one. Not attaining the lowest roll or considering it, on agreement with the Prefects or Questori concerned, insufficient, the necessary supplements may be asked to this General Headquarters - Police Armed Forces Division - in order to reach the medium one, without surpassing however the highest roll as in Appendix 3. In the figure should be comprised, until they will be in service, the Auxiliaries.

After what has been stated above with regard to the Headquarters

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Cadres and to the setting of the units in uniform and of the squards in civil dress of your Division, here following are indicated which are the special duties of your Headquarters and of the depending Headquarters :

The duties of the Division Headquarters are the following :

a) In its supervising functions it controls the units proceeding, discipline, food, cantonment, equipment and ensures that the technical, professional and military instructions be emparted, particularly about the handling of arms, as well as the instructions on moral behaviour, on spirituality, general culture etc.

b) In its disciplinary function has power to inflict directly disciplinary punishments till the maximum of detention, hall of punishments, simple or rigorous prison, as well as consignment, and establishes their kind and duration when the punishments are applied by a depending Headquarters; has faculty of pardoning partially the punishments and to the sole material effects, in case that, having been reached the moral scope, it proves reasonable to insist not on them; may, at last, suspend or defer the material expiation of those disciplinary punishments which exclude the punished one from service, provided it be required by unavoidable exigencies and for the time strictly needed; calls for the disciplinary committee to judge men deferred to it for faults punishable both with dismissal or expulsion.

c) Demands to the Prefectures of the provinces in which the Headquarters are placed and to the others of the District the necessary funds for the payment of stipends and of other allowances to the personnel located in the said provinces, and cares directly for the distribution to the units of the provinces where it has its Headquarters and to the units residing in other provinces through the senior Headquarters located in the same province; it is obliged to keep and show the respective accounts, is responsible of what it receives and distributes directly to the units of the province in which it resides and of what receive and distribute the Senior Headquarters residing in each of the District's other provinces, both for maintenance and for equipment and armament of the depending personnel; makes extraordinary supervisions of cash by the units located in all provinces included in its District and sends a copy af the official report to the Ministry, applying in case of irregularity or wilful breakings, those urgent measures which are deemed necessary; it is obliged to take notice on appropriate card of every provision made by the Administration to the depending personnel in dress items, out-fits and equipment; which card will follow the man concerbed in all his transferrings; will provide to the payment of expenses due for arm reparations, asking quarterly the reimbursement from the Ministry; ascertains, finally, the responsibility and amount of damage in case of loss and deterioration of the materials existing by the units.

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Morecver, it is the responsibility of the Division Headquarters to:

- prepare and keep to date the roll under file's form, in rank order, and for each rank in alphabetic order, of the depending strength (officers and troop);

- maintain and keep to date the personal documents, matricular sheets, personal register for officers, characteristic remarks for non commissioned officers, caring to advise the Ministry of the changes made at the end every four months;

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accord confirmation to those who deserve it and are considered physically fit to be kept in service;
- execute the trasferrings ordered by the Ministry and communicate to the Division Headquarters, to which the personnel is appointed, the position of its gross stipend or wage account, with an indication of all fixed allowances and deductions to be made on behalf of the State or because of stipend consignements; communicate to the Headquartess, other than ordinary indications, the armament items allotted to the transferred, their state of availability, the amount of money for supply given to the personnel, his civil position, the date in which is cancelled from the roll;
- provide the granting of extraordinary or recovery leaves, as well as ascertainments and medical examinations of every kind. To this end should be provided either with the present Corps doctors or through military doctor boards;
- visit periodically and often the Questori of its own district in order to get observations and suggestions on the disciplinary and technical and military functioning of units and squads, and to report about troubles found through supervisions so as to decide the necessary measures.

The responsibility of Group, Company, Tenenza, Station, Squad and Post of Police Commands is, instead, to enroll non-commissioned officers, ranks and files, caring for their discipline, training and military and professional culture, use of arms allotted, physical training with athletic exercitations of every kind, cantonment, supplies, equipment with a special consideration to the good keeping of the uniform. Those of the above mentioned Headquarters whose personnel is located in the province, should follow, under their own responsibility, the regulations that for the depending personnel in uniform shall give the Questore of the province itself or any official depending from him. To this end, every morning they should go to report by the Questore or one of his officials to refer and receive orders. With regard to the squads in civil dress of every province, we may refer to what has been said previously about their depending.

Consequently to the Division Headquarters are trusted administrative, disciplinary, organizing and supervisory responsibilities, remaining excluded the direct command of men, which remains in the hands of the Group and inferior commands.

The book-keeping of stipends, pays, indemnities, allowances etc. rests entrusted to the book-keeping of the Prefetture for Officers, non-commissioned officers, ranks and files in service in the province and are, only materially, distributed through the Senior Headquarters located in the territory of the province itself.

Petty office expenses on behalf of Group Commands and inferior ones are provided by the Questure in whose territory the same operate.

To petty office expenses for the functioning of the Divisions Headquarters provides for the beginning and till further orders the Questura in the place; successively will provide directly this Ministry.

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With an eventual surplus of men with regard to the roll, though lowest or medium if deemed sufficient, and anyhow if considering the highest, of every province, should be formed a mobile batalion foreseen for your Region and with its Headquarters in your town; having in mind that this batalion should have a maxximum roll of 500 men and have the denomination of Mobile Batalion ".....".

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A draft of the maximum roll of the above mentioned Battalion is accluded (Appendix 5). Of course, this roll will be realized, failing for the time being the availabilities, only gradually, forming by and by the various organic units and so especially with regard to its armament and even more for its motor-trasportation.

The Battalion, administratively attached to your Headquarters, and to the accounting effects to your Prefecture, is, with regard to its use, at the direct dependance of this Ministry. Only in cases of extreme urgency the Prefects of the provinces included in your Division's district may ask its use directly from your Headquarters, which will give telegraphic notice to this Ministry. The question is so arranged because the Battalion constitutes a reserve for the maintenance of public order, in cases of considerable unrest, for the entire Division district.

May also be organized in your chief place a speedy unit, for normal operations of police or public order which require immediate intervention or speedy action, with officers and troop roll and the armament and motor-transportation resulting from the accluded Appendix 6. Such a unit, of which may be realized only a part (1 or 2 platoons) should depeng administratively from your Headquarters, financially from your Prefecture, for its use from the Questore and may, in agreement with your Prefect, on orders issued by your Headquarters and upon requests of the Prefects of the provinces included in your Division's District, exceptionally and for special and short services, be employed also in the same provinces. The unit's roll, should however be included in the highest one, better if in the medium one, allowed to the province in which it is constituted.

Excepting the squads in civil dress, every other one belonging to the Corps should be permanently in uniform. The uniform, of grey-green colour, till new dispositions will consist in a service type, formed by a dress-coat with four pockets and long trowsers of Allied fashion and one type for free going out composed of a four pockets jacket with long trowsers. For both the hat remains, till new dispositions, the same grey-green cap with the same badge.

To all non-commissioned officers, ranks and files totally deprived are gradually furnished both types of uniform. To those who are already in possess of one should be furnished a second uniform of the first or second type, according to your judgement. It is in course of study a summer time uniform, in grey-green linen.

As you are aware each uniform is completed by the five cornered stars weared on the jacket collar, placed for the present on rectangular crimson cloth collar patches, which will shortly substituted with a golden flame on crimson back-ground.

The normal armament, which will in due time be distributed, of non commissioned officers, ranks and files will be, for isolated services, and anyhow not in an organic unit, the Beretta automatic revolver short type cal. 9 or 7.65 weared in the sheath on belt, with a support, of black leather, for officers, with an additional rubber-club, hanged to the belt. The

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necessary, will in due time decide.

In this occasion it is pointed out and requested to you to bring to all dependants knowledge that they, in the exercice of their duties, should always use with disturbers and also with scoundrels persuading manners, and act tactfully and energetically, using,when necessary, principally the rubber-club, which we hope to distribute as soon as possible to all units in uniform. To armes, especially the automatic ones, should be made recourse only in grave cases, to avoid serious pillage, devastations and massacre, or for personal lawful defence.

All requests for uniformrs, armament, equipment, motor-transportation, cantonment should be directed to the Gestione Contratti e Forniture Division of this General Headquarters.

Finally, in order that the organization and functioning of the Corps may be entirely and absolutely known, and also to avoid the befalling of misunderstandings and interferences, stating that the medical service should continue to function as for the past with doctors entered in contract or with auxiliary doctor officers, till new orders, it is pointed out that the non commissioned officers, ranks and files, and eventually the officers, who successively may be assigned to their respective services, to Railways'Departmental Commissariats, to Port Commissariats, to Frontier Offices and to Road Police Sections, in course of constitution, depend :

a) to the effects of enrolling,discipline etc.,as for those belonging to squads in civil dress, from the commanding of a Senior Officer residing in the centre where the above said non commissioned officers ranks and files live;
b) with regard to financial effects, from the bookkeeping of the Prefecture in whose district are serving;
c) to the effects of their use: 1) those attached to the Railway Departmental Commissariats,from the chief of the Commissariat; 2) those attached to the Port Commissariats and to Frontier offices, from the directors of the respective Commissariats and Offices; 3) those attached to the Road Police Sections, from the Questore or one of his officials, of the province in which they are operating.

Those belonging to the above mentioned special services can not, in no case, without previous authorisation of this General Headquarters (Frontier and Transportation Division), be transferred or anyhow distracted from their service, nor may be utilised their armament, vehicles etc., out and otherwise the services to which they are allotted. They are not and cannot be included within the lowest, medium and highest limits of the roll above mentioned, determined for each province within the territory of your Division.

You are expected to comunicate to the depending Headquarters, by and by they are constituted, the provisions of the present letter with which they are concerned, for their implement.

This Ministry is aware of the difficulties of every kind which shall

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This Ministry is aware of the difficulties of every kind which shall hinder the complete realisation of what has been arranged with the present letter, and of the time that its realization will require, but trusts on your intelligent work, technical capacity and attachment to the Corps, in order to overcome any obstacles which inevitably will be met and the befalling troubles, and in addition for any indication, as already pointed out, of eventual proper adaptations or changes deemed necessary.

THE CHIEF OF THE POLICE
signed : Ferrari

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CONSISTENZA ARMI IN DOTAZIONE ALLE QUESTURE DEL REGNO ALLA DATA DEL 22 MAGGIO 1946.

AGRIGENTO

Moschetti mod.91 173;
Pistole varie tipi N.126
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.30
Bombe a mano 520

ANCONA

Moschetti mod.91 63
Fucili " " 29
Pistole automatiche N.76
Pistole a rotazione N.31
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.15;

ALESSANDRIA

Moschetti mod.91 N.338;
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.55
Mitragliatrici varie tipo 8
Fucili Mauser 42
Mascin Pistole N.5;

A O S T A

Moschetti mod.91 N.48
Pistole automatiche N.27;
" a rotazione N.2
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.4

APUANIA

Moschetti mod.91 N.51
Pistole Beretta N.44
" a rotazione N.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.3
Fucili mod.91 N.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.15
Bombe a mano N.50

AREZZO

Moschetti mod.91 N.55
" automatici Beretta N.10;
Pistole automatiche N.12
" a rotazione N.9
" altre tipo N.2

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Pistole a rotazione N.31
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.15;

ALESSANDRIA

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Moschetti automatici Beretta N.55
Mitragliatrici varie tipe 8
Fucili Mauser 42
Mascin Pistole N.5;

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A O S T A

Moschetti mod.91 N.48
Pistole automatiche N.27;
" a rotazione N.2
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.4

AREZZO

Moschetti mod.91 N.51
Pistole Beretta N.44
" a rotazione N.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.3
Fucili mod.91 N.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.15
Bombe a mano N.50

AVEZZO

Moschetti mod.91 N.55
" automatici Beretta N.10;
Pistole automatiche N.12
" a rotazione N.9
" altre tipe N.2

ASCOLI PICENO

Moschetti mod.91 N.60,
" automatici Beretta N.18
Pistole automatiche N.44
" a rotazione N.24
Bombe a mano N.40
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.4

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A S T I

Moschetti mod.91 N.91
" automatiche Beretta N.35
Pistole automatiche N.12
Bombe a mano N.4
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.2

AVELLINO

Moschetti Mod.91 N.66
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.10
Pistole automatiche N.42
" a rotazione N.41
Mitragliatrici leggere N.2
" pesanti N.4

B A R I

QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 N.295
Pistole varie tipo N.321
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.29
" leggere N.8
Moschetti automatici Beretta N/.30

Battaglione mobile 7304
Mitragliatrici leggere N.3
" pesanti N.2
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.37
Moschetti mod.91 N.346
Pistole automatiche N.197
" a rotazione N.37

BELLUNO

Moschetto mod.91 N.71,
Pistole automatiche N.13,
Mitragliatrici varie tipo 30
Maccin pistole N.22
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8

BENEVENTO

Moschetti mod.91 n.61
Pistole automatiche n.37
" a rotazione " 27
Mitragliatrici leggere n.10 (di cui 6 fuori uso)
Fucili mod.91 n.40 (senza baionetta e senza cinghia)
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

BERGAMO

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A B T I

Moschetti mod.91 N.91
" automatiche Beretta N.35
Pistole automatiche N.12
Bombe a mano N.4
Mitragliatrici pesanti N.2

AVELLINO

Moschetti Mod.91 N.66
Moschetti automatici Beretta N.10
Pistole automatiche N.42
" a rotazioneN.41
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Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

BERGAMO

Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8
" leggere " 6
Carabine cal.6,5 n.190
Moschetti mod.91 n.10
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.70

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Mitragliatrici altri tipi n.1
Mascin Pistole n.1
Pistole automatiche n.366
" a rotazione " 6

BOLOGNA

Moschetti mod.91 n.563
Pistole automatiche n.188
" a rotazione " 109
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.17
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.90

BOLZANO

Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
" mod.91 n.47
Pistole automatiche n.226
" a rotazione n.1

BRESCIA

Pistole a rotazione n.86
Moschetti tipo vario n.149
" automatici Beretta n.88
Mitragliatrici leggere n.1
" pesanti n.7
Pistole automatiche n.40

BRINDISI

Moschetti mod.91 n.129
Pistole automatiche n.112
" a rotazione n.43
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.23
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.1

CAGLIARI

Moschetti mod.91 n.130
Pistole automatiche n.123
Pistole a rotazione n.68
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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Mitragliatrici altri tipi n.1
Mascin Pistole n.1
Pistole automatiche n.366
" a rotazione " 6

BOLOGNA

Moschetti mod.91 n.563
Pistole automatiche n.188
" a rotazione " 109
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.17
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.90

BOLZANO

Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
" mod.91 n.47
Pistole automatiche n.226
" a rotazione n.1

BRESCIA

Pistole a rotazione n.86
Moschetti tipo varie n.149
" automatici Beretta n.88
Mitragliatrici leggere n.1
" pesanti n.7
Pistole automatiche n.40

BRINDISI

Moschetti mod.91 n.129
Pistole automatiche n.112
" a rotazione n.43
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.23
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.1

CAGLIARI

Moschetti mod.91 n.130
Pistole automatiche n.123
Pistole a rotazione n.68
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

CALTANISSETTA

Moschetti mod.91 n.140
Pistole automatiche n.92
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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Roma

CAMPOBASSO

Moschetti mod.91 n.62
Pistole automatiche n.26
Pistole a rotazione n.29
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.21

CATANIA

QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 n.371
" automatici Beretta n.55
Pistole a rotazione n.170
Bombe a. mano n.600
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
" leggere n.7

CATANZARO

Moschetti mod.91 n.97
Pistole automatiche n.60
" a rotazione n.44
Miatragliatrici pesanti n.10
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20

CASERTA

Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
" leggere n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.12
Moschetti mod.91 n.109
Pistole automatiche n.36
" a rotazione n.42

CHIETI

Moschetti mod.91 n.74
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.13
Pistole automatiche n.22
" a rotazione n.22
Miatragliatrici leggere n.2
" pesanti n.2

C O M O

Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.49

COMPAGNIA MOBILE

Moschetti mod.91 n.96
Pistole automatiche n.93
" rotazione n.3
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
" leggere n.5
Moschetti Aut.Beretta n.30

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Roma

CAMPOBASSO

Moschetti mod.91 n.62
Pistole automatiche n.26
Pistole a rotazione n.29
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.21

CATANIA

QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 n.371
" automatici Beretta n.55
Pistole a rotazione n.170
Bombe a. mano n.600
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
" leggere n.7

CATANZARO

Moschetti mod.91 n.97
Pistole automatiche n.60
" a rotazione n.44
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.10
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20

CASERTA

Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
" leggere n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.12
Moschetti mod.91 n.109
Pistole automatiche n.36
" a rotazione n.41

CHIETI

Moschetti mod.91 n.74
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.13
Pistole automatiche n.22
" a rotazione n.22
Mitragliatrici leggere n.2
" pesanti n.2

C O M O

Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.49
Mitragliatrici leggere vario tipo n.66
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.109
" vario tipo mod.91 n.166
Pistole automatiche n.3
" a rotazione n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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COMPAGNIA MOBILE

Moschetti mod.91 n.96
Pistole automatiche n.93
" rotazione n.3
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
" leggere n.5
Moschetti Aut.Beretta n.30

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COSENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.71
pistole automatiche n.54
" a rotazione n.31
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.13
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

CREMONA

Moschetti vario tipo n.116
Pistole Automatiche n.107
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

C U N E O

Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.26
Moschetti mod.91 n.59
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5
Bombe a mano n.69
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.11 (senza munizioni)
" " " " 59 (con munizioni)

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E N N A

Moschetti mod.91 n.48
Pistole automatiche n.34
Pistole a rotazione n.25
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2

FERRARA

Moschetti vario tipo mod.91 n.108
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.2 (guaste)
Pistole automatiche n.56
" a rotazione n.28
Bombe a mano n.9
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

FIRENZE

QUESTURA
Moschetti mo.91 n.350

COMPAGNIA MOBILE
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.10

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COSENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.72
pistole automatiche n.54
" a rotazione n.31
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.13
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

CREMONA

Moschetti vario tipo n.116
Pistole Automatiche n.107
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

C U N E O

Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.26
Moschetti mod.91 n.59
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5
Bombe a mano n.69
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.11 (senza munizioni)
" " " " 90 (con munizioni)

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F E R M O

Moschetti mod.91 n.48
Pistole automatiche n.34
Pistole a rotazione n.25
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2

FERRARA

Moschetti varie tipo mod.91 n.108
Mitragliatrici varie tipo n.2 (guasto)
Pistole automatiche n.56
" a rotazione n.28
Bombe a mano n.9
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

FIRENZE

QUESTURA
Moschetti mo.91 n.550
Pistole automatiche n.310
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.11
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.150

COMPAGNIA MOBILE
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.10
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.53
Mitragliatrici leggere n.4
Moschetti mod.91 n.20
Pistole automatiche n.187
" a rotazione n.12
Fucili tipo varie n.5

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FORLI'

Moschetti mod.91 n.134
Pistole automatiche n.26
Pistole a rotazione n.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.10

FROSINONE

Moschetti mod.91 n.60
Pistole automatiche n.40
Pistole a rotazione n.34
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
Mitragliatrici leggere n.1
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

GENOVA

Moschetti mod.91 n.788
Pistole automatiche n.534
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.21

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GROSSETO

Moschetti mod.91 n.42
Pistole automatiche n.35
Pistole a rotazione n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14

IMPERIA

Moschetti mod.91 n.108
Mitragliatrici leggere n.3
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4
Pistole automatiche n.50
Bombe a mano n.10

LECCE

Moschetti mod.91 n.79
Pistole vario tipo n.75
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14

LATINA

Moschetti mod.91 n.89

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Moschetti mod.91 n.134
Pistole automatiche n.26
Pistole a rotazione n.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.10

FROSINONE

Moschetti mod.91 n.60
Pistole automatiche n.40
Pistole a rotazione n.34
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20
Mitragliatrici leggere n.1
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

GENOVA

Moschetti mod.91 n.788
Pistole automatiche n.534
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.21

GROSSETO

Moschetti mod.91 n.42
Pistole automatiche n.35
Pistole a rotazione n.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14

IMPERIA

Moschetti mod.91 n.108
Mitragliatrici leggere n.3
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4
Pistole automatiche n.30
Bombe a mano n.10

LECCE

Moschetti mod.91 n.79
Pistole vario tipo n.75
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14

LATINA

Moschetti mod.91 n.89
Pistole automatiche n.17
" a rotazione n.9
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20

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LIVORNO

Questura
Moschetti mod.91 n.173
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.23
Pistole vario tipo n.133
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

COMPAGNIA MOBILE
Moschetti mod.91 n.80
Pistole automatiche n.5
Moschetti automat.Beretta n.10

L U C C A

Moschetti mod.91 n;106
Pistole vario tipo n.61
Moschetti automatici n.11

MACERATA

Moschetti vario tipo n.54
Pistole vario tipo n.19
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.20
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.11
Mitragliatrici leggere n.2
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.7

MATERA

Moschetti mod.91 n.48
Pistole automatiche n.40
Pistole a rotazione n.12
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.8
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

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MANTOVA

Moschetti mod.91 n.184
Pistole vario tipo n.170
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

MESSINA
QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 n.406
Pistole automatiche n.317
Pistole altro tipo n.197
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4
Mitragliatrici leggere n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15

COMPAGNIA MOBILE
Moschetti automatici Beretta n°20
Mitragliatrici leggere n.4
Pistole a rotazione n.100
Moschetti mod.91 n.80

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Questura
Moschetti mod.91 n.173
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.23
Pistole vario tipo n.153
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

COMPAGNIA MOBILE
Moschetti mod.91 n.80
Pistole automatiche n.5
Moschetti automat.Beretta n.10

L U C C A

Moschetti mod.91 n.106
Pistole vario tipo n.61
Moschetti automatici n.11

MACERATA

Moschetti vario tipo n.54
Pistole vario tipo n.19
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.20
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.11
Mitragliatrici leggere n.2
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.7

MATERA

Moschetti mod.91 n.48
Pistole automatiche n.40
Pistole a retazione n.12
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.8
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

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MANTOVA

Moschetti mod.91 n.184
Pistole vario tipo n.170
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

MESSINA
QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 n.406
Pistole automatiche n.317
Pistole altro tipo n.197
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4
Mitragliatrici leggere n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15

COMPAGNIA MOBILE

Moschetti automatici Beretta n°20
Mitragliatrici leggere n.4
Pistole a rotazione n.100
Moschetti mod.91 n.80

MILANO

Moschetti e fucili mod.91 n.2623
Moschetti senza cinghia n.1550
Pistole vario tipo n.1065
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.100
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.10

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MODENA
Moschetti mod.91 n.241
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.13
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.16
Moschetti mod.40 n.50
Pistole vario tipo n.35
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

NAPOLI

QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 n.5098
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.391
Pistole vario tipo n.2388
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.27
Bombe n.322

BATTAGLIONE MOBILE

Moschetti mod.91 n.305
Pistole vario tipo n.372
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
Mitragliatrici leggere n.6
Moschetti automatici Ber. 239
Una camionetta armata con una mitragliatrice Breda da 20 mm. e 3 mitragliatrici pesanti

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NOVARA

Moschetti mod.91 n.100
Pistole vario tipo n.103
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15

N U O R O

Pistole vario tipo n.63
Moschetti mod.91 n.59
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5

PADOVA

Moschetti vario tipo n.196
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.21
Mitragliatrici leggere n.17
" pesanti n. 9

PALERMO
Moschetti mod.91 1509
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.100
Pistole vario tipo n.865
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.29

P A R M A

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MODENA
Moschetti mod.91 n.241
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.13
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.16
Moschetti mod.40 n.50
Pistole vario tipo n.35
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

NAPOLI

QUESTURA

Moschetti mod.91 n.5098
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.391
Pistole vario tipo n.2388
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.27
Bombe n.322

BATTAGLIONE MOBILE

Moschetti mod.91 n.305
Pistole vario tipo n.372
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
Mitragliatrici leggere n.6
Moschetti automatici Ber. 239
Una camionetta armata con una mitragliatrice Breda da 20 mm. e 3 mitragliatrici pesanti

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NOVARA
Moschetti mod.91 n.100
Pistole vario tipo n.103
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15

N U O R O
Pistole vario tipo n.63
Moschetti mod.91 n.59
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5

PADOVA
Moschetti vario tipo n.196
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.21
Mitragliatrici leggere n.17
" pesanti n. 9

PALERMO
Moschetti mod.91 1509
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.100
Pistole vario tipo n.865
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.29

P A R M A
Moschetti mod.91 n.250
Pistole vario tipo n.241
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.1

P A V I A
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8
" leggere n.8
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.44 ./.

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Moschetti mod.91 n.318
Pistole varie tipo n.46
Bombe a mano n.335
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PERUGIA

Moschetti mod.91 n.202
Pistole varie tipo n.66
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.6
" leggere n.2
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10

PESARO

Moschetti mod.91 n.55
Pistole varie tipo n.32
Mitragliatrici varie tipo n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.8
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5

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PESCARA

Moschetti mod.91 n.65
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Pistole varie tipo n.72
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.1

PIACENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.113
Mitragliatrici varie tipo n.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.44
Pistole automatiche n.20
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5

P I S A

Moschetti mod.91 n.210
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.39
Pistole varie tipo n.84
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2

PISTOIA

Moschetti mod.91 n67
Pistole varie tipo n.30
Fucili varie tipo n.82

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Moschetti mod.91 n.318
Pistole vario tipo n.46
Bombe a mano n.335

PERUGIA

Moschetti mod.91 n.202
Pistole vario tipo n.66
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.6
" leggere n.2
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10

PESARO

Moschetti mod.91 n.55
Pistole vario tipo n.32
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.8
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.5

PESCARA

Moschetti mod.91 n.65
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Pistole vario tipo n.72
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.1

PIACENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.113
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.5
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.44
Pistole automatiche n.20
Mitraglistrici pesanti n.5

P I S A

Moschetti mod.91 n.210
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.39
Pistole vario tipo n.84
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2

PISTOIA

Moschetti mod.91 n67
Pistole vario tipo n.30
Fucili vario tipo n.22
Bombe a mano n.102
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.5
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.1

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POTENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.56
Pistole vario tipo n.52
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.8
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

RAGUSA

Moschetti mod.91 n.92
Pistole vario tipo n.87
Bombe a mano n.100
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.9
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2

Reggio Calabria

Moschetti Mod.91 n.270
Pistole vario tipo n.206
Mitragliatrici leggere n.12
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.36
Bombe a mano n.216

REGGIO EMILIA

Armi portatili automatiche vario tipo n.194
Moschetti vario tipo n.19
Pistole vario tipo n.24
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Bombe a mano n.103

R I E T I

Moschetti mod.91 n.105
Pistole vario tipo n.71
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.16
Bombe a mano n.72
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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Moschetti modello n.91 n.5060
Pistole vario tipo n.5947
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.619

REPARTI CELERI
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.762

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POTENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.56
Pistole vario tipo n.52
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.8
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3

RAGUSA

Moschetti mod.91 n.92
Pistole vario tipo n.87
Bombe a mano n.100
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.9
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2

Reggio Calabria

Moschetti Mod.91 n.270
Pistole vario tipo n.206
Mitragliatrici leggere n.12
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.36
Bombe a mano n.216

REGGIO EMILIA

Armi portatili automatiche vario tipo n.194
Moschetti vario tipo n.19
Pistole vario tipo n.24
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.15
Bombe a mano n.103

R I E T I

Moschetti mod.91 n.105
Pistole vario tipo n.71
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.16
Bombe a mano n.72
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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DIVISIONE SPECIALE
Moschetti modello n.91 n.5060
Pistole vario tipo n.5947
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.619

REPARTI CELERI
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.760
Pistole automatiche n.1400
Moschetti mod.91 n.640
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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AUTOCENTRO

Moschetti mod.91 n.256
Pistole vario tipo n.268
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.80

ROVIGO

Moschetti mod.91 n.503
Fucili vario tipo n.142
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8
Pistole vario tipo n.57
Bombe a mano n.144
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10

SALERNO

Moschetti mod.91 n.149
Pistole vario tipo n.138
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.24

SASSARI

Moschetti mod.91 n.72
Pistole vario tipo n.104
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

SIENA

Moschetti mod.91 n.80
Pistole vario tipo n.19
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.5
Bombe a mano n.40
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.11

SIRACUSA

Moschetti mod.91 n.181
Pistole vario tipo n.148
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8

BONDRIO

Moschetti mod.91 n.111

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Moschetti mod.91 n.256
Pistole vario tipo n.268
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.80

ROVIGO

Moschetti mod.91 n.503
Fucili vario tipo n.142
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8
Pistole vario tipo n.57
Bombe a mano n.144
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10

SALERNO

Moschetti mod.91 n.149
Pistole vario tipo n.138
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.24

SASSARI

Moschetti mod.91 n.72
Pistole vario tipo n.104
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

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SIENA

Moschetti mod.91 n.80
Pistole vario tipo n.19
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.5
Bombe a mano n.40
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.11

SIRACUSA

Moschetti mod.91 n.181
Pistole vario tipo n.148
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.8

SONDRIO

Moschetti mod.91 n.111
Mitragliatrici leggere n.3
" pesanti n.1
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.22

SPEZIA

Moschetti mod.91 n.274
Pistole vario tipo n.36
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.25

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Mod. 624

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TARANTO
Moschetti mod.91 n.190
Pistole vario tipo n.246
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.34

TERAMO
Moschetti mod.91 n.83
Pistole vario tipo n.64
Mitragliatrici leggere n.3
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.20

T E R N I
Moschetti mod.91 n.61
Pistole vario tipo n.39
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.14

T O R I N O
Mitragliatrici vario tipo n.52
Fucili mod.91 n.906
Moschetti vario tipo n.1079
Bombe a mano n.270
Pistole vario tipo n.250
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.100

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TRAPANI
Moschetti mod.91 n.183
Pistole automatiche n.50
Pistole a rotazione n.35
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.28

TRENTO
Moschetti mod.91 n.257
Pistole automatiche n.68
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.53

UDINE
Mitragliatrici leggere n.6
Pistole automatiche 300
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.150

TREVISO
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Pistole automatiche n.65
" a rotazione n.11
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.4

VARESE
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Pistole vario tipo n.52
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.10

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VENEZIA

Moschetti mod.91 n.1010
Mitragliatrici leggere n.14
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.7
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.184
Pistole automatiche n.336
" a rotazione n.490

VERCELLI

Mitragliatrici varie tipe n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.5
Moschetti mod.91 n.151
Pistole automatiche n.35
" a rotazione n.3
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.2
Bombe a mano n.85

VERONA

Moschetti automatici Beretta n.28
Moschetti mod.91 n.234
Pistole Beretta n.94
Pistole a rotazione n.89
Bombe a mano n.80

VICENZA

Moschetti mod.91 n.79
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.26
Pistole varie tipe n.53

VITERBO

Moschetti mod.91 n.83
Mitragliatrici leggere n.7
Mitragliatrici pesanti n.3
Moschetti automatici Beretta n.32
Pistole automatiche Beretta n.41
Pistole a rotazione n.49

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Ministero dell'Interno

Roma

R I E P I L O G O

DELLE ARMI IN DOTAZIONE ALLE QUESTURE

MOSCHETTI MODELLO 1891	N°	23.270
MOSCHETTI AUTOMATICI BERETTA	"	4.672
MITRAGLIATRICI PESANTI	"	375
MITRAGLIATRICI PESANTI VARIO TIPO	"	238
PISTOLE AUTOMATICHE	"	8.650
PISTOLE MODELLO 1889	"	14.500
MITRAGLIATRICI LEGGERE	"	134
BOMBE A MANO	"	3.181

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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA P.S. - DIVISIONE G.C.P.

PROSPETTO DEGLI AUTOMEZZI ARMATI IN DOTAZIONE AL CORPO GUARDIE DI P.S. ALLA DATA DEL 24 M

LOCALITA' O ENTE	TRATTORI ARMATI	CAMIONETTE ARMATE (Spa 40)	CARRI ARMATI da tre tonnellate	AUTOBLINDE (Spa 40)	ANNOT
BARI	I		2		
FIRENZE	1	I	2		
NAPOLI		I	2		
VITERBO			2		
PALERMO			2	I	
Ispett. P.S. Sicilia	2				
BATT. SCUOLA ROMA	I				
REP. CELERE ROMA	4				
DIV. SERVIZ. ROMA	I		9 (*)	4	
AUTOCENTRO POLIZ. ROMA	4				
	14	2	(*) 21 Di cui 5 da 6 tonnellate.	5	

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Il Capo

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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA P.S. = DIVISIONE C.C.R.

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Il Capo della Polizia

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TRANSLATION D.S.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE
GG.FF. General Command

Office of the General in Charge

Rome, 15 May 1946.

To PUBLIC SAFETY S/C
HQRS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

No 49212

SUBJECT : Arms for the GG.FF.

1. Reference to letter AC/14601/II/PS dated 13 inst.

2. The GG.FF. Units are provided with the following automatic weapons:

- 224 automatic muskets ("Beretta" - mod. 38 A - Cal 8,8),
- 500 automatic rifles ("Breda" - mod. 30 - cal.6,5),
- 100 machine-guns ("Breda" - mod. 37 - cal. 8).

3) Such arms are distributed amongst about 30.000 GG.FF.; therefore they are absolutely insufficient.

4. An assignment of automatic-muskets "Beretta" to the Corps is urgently needed. This in consideration of the fact that the GG.FF.

- co-operate in the service of public order, together with the other police forces;
- perform the service of surveyence:
  - a) to the land-frontier,
  - b) along the costs,
  - c) in the Ports;
- carry out escorting services and services of protection to State Currency Paper Work-Shops, to the Ministries, Banks and Stores.

5. The Ministry of War had already assigned 5712 automatic muskets, but the Allied Sub-Commission for the Army (A.M.I.A.) forbade their distribution.

It is indispensable to obtain the assignment of the a/m weapons, accordingly your Commission 's intervention

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in the matter is urgently required.

by order
(sgd) Giuseppe Mancinelli
General of Brigade
in charge.

Ministero delle Finanze

COMANDO GENERALE R.C. DI FINANZA

Ufficio del Generale Addetto

Riservato Sez.

Prot. N.° 49212 Allegati

Roma, 15 maggio 1946

Alla Sottocommissione di Pubblica Sicurezza - presso il Quartiere Generale della Commissione Alleata

POSTA MILITARE 394

Risposta al Foglio del

Div. Sez. N.°

OGGETTO Armi per la R.Guardia di Finanza.-

1°) Riferimento foglio N° A/C/I460I/II/P/S/ del I3 maggio c.a.-

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- moschetti automatici "Beretta" mod. 38 A - cal. 8,8 ..... N° 224
- fucili mitragliatori "Breda" mod. 30 - cal. 6,5 ..... " 500
- mitragliatrici "Breda" mod. 37 - cal. 8 - ..... " 100

3°) Tale armamento è ripartito fra circa 30.000 finanzieri, perciò è assolutamente insufficiente.

4°) Il Corpo ha indeflgabile necessità di avere un'assegnazione di moschetti automatici "Beretta". Ciò in considerazione che i finanzieri: 7380

- concorrono al servizio di ordine pubblico con le altre Forze di Polizia;
- esplicano il servizio di vigilanza:
  a) alla frontiera terrestre;
  b) lungo il lido del mare;
  c) nei porti;
- eseguono servizi di scorta e servizi di protezione alle officine carte-valori dello Stato, a Ministeri, banche e depositi.

5°) Il Ministero della Guerra aveva già assegnato 5712 moschetti automatici, ma la Sottocommissione Alleata per l'Esercito "M.M.I.A." ha posto il veto alla distribuzione.

E' indispensabile ottenere l'assegnazione delle suddette armi ed a tale proposito si sollecita l'interessamento di codesta Sottocommissione.-

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Ministero delle Finanze

COMANDO GENERALE R.G. DI FINANZA

Ufficio del Generale Addetto

Alla Sottocommissione di Pubblica Sicurezza - presso il Quartiere Generale della Commissione Alleata

POSTA MILITARE 394

Divisione Sez. Fgl. N° 492I2 Allegati

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d'ordine
IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA ADDETTO
(Giuseppe Mancinelli)

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Direction General P.S.

N° 999.9606
12116

14 May 1946.

SUBJECT : Automatic Arms for Civil Police.

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

In answer to yesterday's letter AC/14601/11/PS in which your Commission urgently asks what the actual amount of automatic arms with the P.S. is.

On this matter it is necessary to bear in mind, according to the actual ruling, that the P.S. in Italy is made up of two forces practising the same duties, and i.e. the Corps of the P.S. Guards and the CC.RR. Both constitute the Civil Police, as understood by the Allies, with the only difference that the CC.RR. is a more military organisation. Both, infact, depend for employment on the Ministry of the Interior.

Both are Civil Police and any provision which might tend to determine an exceptionally different treatment on either side, would appear unjust and un-necessary.

Nevertheless, it is borne in mind that the armament of the Corps of the P.S. Guards was fixed, according to agreements made between the Commanding General CC.RR. and the Allied Command, at a meeting, where representatives of the GG.FF. - Army and Ministry of the Interior were present and where it was determined that the number of automatic arms to be assigned to the P.S. Guards was to be not less than 1 to 6 men.

According to the above proportion, this Ministry asked the Ministry of War for the assignment of 7500 automatic muskets, besides the completion of the requirements for individual arms - 23.350 pistols.

But, till now the Ministry of War, which has not yet supplied one pistol has only given 448 mitra.

This Ministry has therefore been obliged to affront, on its own, the serious situation determined by the absolute deficiency of automatic arms, providing in recovering 4000 mitra, which, revisioned, repaired and turned new, have been distributed to bodies made up of effective guards from the ordinary enrollment.

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Such a number of automatic arms, to which 507 heavy machine guns and 32 light ones have to be added, (also given by the Ministry of War), is greatly inferior to that which, as said before, should have been assigned to the Corps of the P.S. Guards and which would have been also inadequate owing to the exigencies of the services.

Infact, it is well known that the Corps of the P.S. Guards effects services of vigilance at the frontiers, at the ports, besides the duties of road police, having also taken on all the Traffic Police Control, organised by the Allied Military Govt. in northern Italy.

Finally it functions as railway police in Sicily and as escort on trains over the whole of Italy.

Automatic arms are indispensible for all these services as it means affronting elements in possession of such weapons.

With regard to armoured vehicles, the Corps of P.S. Guards has only 5 tanks and 20 armoured cars which have been withdrawn from the ex P.A.I. in execution of a disposition of law, in which all the material of the ex P.A.I; has been transferred to the Corps of the P.S. Guards.

Considering the above, advantage is taken, in order to point out the necessity that the number of automatic arms for the P.S. Guards be brought, at least to the limit agreed on in the above mentioned meeting, to be, if possible, later increased to a quantity adhering with the exigencies of the many and compliceted services entrusted to the Corps, duties which are none the less carried out by the other force of Civil Police and i.e. the CC.RR.

For the Minister
/s/ Ferrari.

Translation ac/

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

Roma, 14 Maggio 1946

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.
R O M A

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.

Divisione G.C.E. Sez. 3ª
Prot. N. 999. 9606. A.L. Gab. Cg.
12116

OGGETTO Armi automatiche per la Polizia Civile.

Si risponde alla lettera in data di ieri, A.L./14601/II/P.S., con cui codesta On.Commissione chiede di conoscere d'urgenza quale sia l'attuale dotazione di armi automatiche della P.S.-

Al riguardo occorre premettere e chiarire che, in base ai vigenti ordinamenti, la P.S. è costituita in Italia da due forze che hanno gli stessi compiti, e cioè: il Corpo delle Guardie di P.S. e l'Arma dei Carabinieri; l'uno e l'altro costituiscono la Polizia Civile, nel senso inteso dagli Alleati, con la sola differenza che i Carabinieri hanno una organizzazione più strettamente militare .- Entrambi, infatti, dipendono, per l'impiego dal Ministero dell'Interno.

Lo stesso carattere di Polizia Civile insito nell'una e nell'altra forza di cui trattasi farebbe sembrare ingiustificato ed inopportuno qualunque provvedimento che tendesse a stabilire per esse un armamento eccessivamente diverso.

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DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
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In base a tale proporzione, questo Ministero chiese a quel-

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DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

Roma, ____ 19__

Al ____

Direzione ____ Sez. ____
Prot. N.° ____ Allegati ____

Risposta al Foglio del ____
Div. ____ Sez. ____ N.° ____

OGGETTO ____

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Senonchè, sinora il Ministero della Guerra, che non ha fornito nemmeno una pistola, ha ceduto soltanto 448 mitra.-

Questo Ministero ha dovuto quindi fronteggiare per conto suo la grave situazione determinata dall'assoluta deficienza di armi automatiche, provvedendo a far recuperare circa 4000 mitra, che, revisionati, riparati e rimessi a nuovo, sono stati distribuiti a reparti costituiti esclusivamente da Guardie effettive provenienti dall'arruolamento ordinario.-

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DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

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Per tutti questi servizi sono indispensabili le armi automatiche, poichè si tratta di fronteggiare elementi in possesso di tali armi.-

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DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

Roma, ____ 19__

Divisione ____ Sez. ____
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Al ____

Risposta al Foglio del ____
Div. ____ Sez. ____ N.° ____

OGGETTO ____

Quanto ai mezzi corazzati, il Corpo delle Guardie P.S. è dotato di sole 5 autoblindo e di 20 carri armati che sono stati ritirati dalla ex P.A.I., in attuazione di una disposizione di legge, per cui tutto il materiale della ex P.A.I. è stato trasferito al Corpo delle Guardie di P.S.-

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Premesso quanto sopra, si coglie l'occasione per rappresentare a codesta On. Commissione la necessità che il numero delle armi automatiche delle Guardie di P.S. venga al più presto portato almeno al limite concordato nella suaccennata riunione, per essere elevato in seguito, possibilmente, ad una misura più aderente alle esigenze dei molteplici e complessi servizi affidati al Corpo, servizi che non sono da meno di quelli esplicati dall'altra forza di polizia civile e cioè dall'Arma dei Carabinieri.-

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AG/14601/11/PS

13 May 1946.

SUBJECT : Automatic Arms for Civil Police.

TO : Ministry of Interior
Director General of P.S.

1. With reference to the conversation Brigadier Carr, A.D. - Dott. Ferrari on above subject on 8th May 1946 :

2. Will you please forward to this P.S. as early as possible, a return giving the number of automatic arms, apart from pistols, armoured cars and tanks - if any, at present in the possession of the Public Security.

3. It would be appreciated if this application could be treated as very urgent.

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E.J. RYK Colonel
Acting Director

SJB/mc

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Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

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AG/14601/11/PS

13 May 46.

SUBJECT : Arms GG.PP.

TO : Commanding General GG.PP.

1. With reference to conversation Brigadier Gubr - General Oxilia re Automatic Arms for GG.PP.

2. Can you please supply to this HQ at the earliest possible moment the number of Automatic Arms, other than pistols, at present held by the GG.PP.

3. It would be greatly appreciated if this request could be treated as very urgent.

E.J. Dye 73:5

E.J. DYE Colonel.
Acting Director.

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SUBJECT: Issue of Automatic CARBINES to Finance Guards and Public Security Agents.

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LAND FORCES SUB-COMM, AC. (MMIA)

SD/109/1

23 Apr 46

TO : HQ ALLIED COMMISSION

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To Public Security Agents - 6,622

This has been refused by this Mission on the grounds that authority was only given to release these weapons to the Italian Military Forces.

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(b) In view of the fact that the Armistice terms limit the size of the Army and CC.RR. to a maximum figure is it not contravening the spirit of these terms if Civil Police Forces are armed with weapons that would tend to make them the equivalent of Military or CC. RR. forces.

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The opinion of this Mission is that the issue of automatic weapons to Civil Police Forces is undesirable.

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(sgd) M.W. IKEE
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for Major General,
H. M. I. A.

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Ref: 3627/EC

3 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Issue of Automatic Carbines to Finance Guards and P.S. Agents.

TO : Director, Land Forces Sub-Commission (AMIA).

In para 2 of your letter SD/109/1 dated 23 Apr 46 the Public Security Agents are described as "a private army of the Minister of the Interior". The Agenti di Publica Sicurrezza are an integral part of the police organisation of the Italian Government as described by Lt.Col. Mighell in his memo of 23 April, and to describe them as a private army of the Minister of the Interior is not only inaccurate but, in an official document, most impolitic. Will you please have the offending words excised from your letter and the copies.

Brigadier, 73.
Executive Commissioner.

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5th March 1946

14613/3

Subject: Manufacture - Small arms.

TO : Ministry of War

Reference your 15606/1935 of 15 February 1946.

1. Approval is given for the manufacture of the following maximum quantity of small arms :-

Pistols cal. 9mm mod. 34 70,000

The above represents the estimated minimum requirements for CC.RR. including Royal Finance Guard and Public Security Agents and is to enable you to equip these forces with modern firearms of uniform design.

2. You are required to notify this Headquarters the firms with which contracts for manufacture will be placed and to notify the precautionary measures which will be taken to ensure that the output of such manufacturing concerns is exclusively under the control of the War Ministry.

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R.A. CURTIES Lt Col
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: GHQ (ref EST/81/3 dated 23 Jan 1946)
AC for Executive Commissioner (ref 5012/143/EC dated 22 Nov 45)
" " Air Forces Sub Commission
" " Naval Sub Commission
" " Public Safety Sub Commission (ref AC/14613/3/PS of 26 Feb 46)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

AC/14613/3/PS

Tel : 489081-365

26 February 1946

SUBJECT : Manufacture of Arms

TO : Land Forces S/C (MMIA)
(Att: Lt.Col. R.A.Curties)

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1. Reference is made to your Q.609 dated 19 Feb. 1946.

2. The position as to Agents of Public Security and Finance Guards is as follows :

Strength	Pistols Required
Agents of P.S. 42,405	25,000
Finance Guards 31,629	23,000
Total	48,000

3. The Italian Government has by recent decree increased the strength of Agents of P.S. by 15000. All these men require a pistol. The original force of 27000 was 10,000 pistols short.

4. The strength of Finance Guards has risen by 15.000 in the past year. The request for 23.000 pistols is therefore considered reasonable.

JOHN F. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JA/D
Director

FJW/pl

Ministero delle Finanze

COMANDO GENERALE R.G. DI FINANZA

- Uff.Gen.Ada.-Sez.Aff.Militari -

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Prot. N.° I9434 *Allegati* ____

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Risposta al Foglio del

Div. ____ *Sez.* ____ *N.°* ____

Al LA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Pubblica Sicurezza
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OGGETTO Armi e munizioni per la R.G.di Finanza.-

In relazione alla richiesta telefonica in data 24 corrente mese si comunicano i seguenti dati:

I°)-Forza organica del Corpo (sottuff/li e truppa)... n. 3I.529.-
Actual strength 31.239

2°)-Armi richieste al Ministero della Guerra ed ancora da avere: 23.518

- Mitragliatrici Breda 37 cal.8 ..... n. 300
- Fucili mitragliatori Breda 30 cal.6,5 ..... " 2500
- Moschetti automatici Beretta cal.9 ..... " 6200
- Moschetti mod.I89I ..... " 2500
- Pistole automatiche Beretta cal.9 ..... " 23000
- Bombe a mano ..... " I0000.-

3°)-Munizioni richieste al Ministero della Guerra ed ancora da avere:

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Actual strength 31.229 730

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(G.Mancinelli)

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Organic Strength - 31.629.

Arms Requested to the Min. War.

Mitragliatrici Breda	-	300
Fucili Mitragliatori	-	2.500.
Moschetti Aut. Beretta	-	6 200.
Moschetti Ordinari	-	2.500
Pistole "	-	23.000.
Hand Grenades	-	14.100
		44.500

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Agents Present strength 42,405

Recruiting over next 6 months 15,000

57,405

Of 42,405 — how many are without pistols.

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Present strength 42,405
(includes 15000 recruits)

Normal Establishment 32,000
hoped to reduce to that
figure in course of time.

Deficiency approx 25,000 pistols.

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Subject : Manufacture of Arms.

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Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
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19 February 46

To : H.Q. Allied Commission
for Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. A request has been received from the Ministry of War for authority to manufacture quantity 70.000 9mm Type 34 Pistols, which include approx 45.000 for the Finance Guard and Public Safety Agents.

2. As this H.Q. is not conversant with the requirements of the Finance Guard and Public Safety Agents, before deciding whether authority should be given for the manufacture of these weapons, your views on this subject would be appreciated.

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DRAFT.

AIDE MEMOIRE.

REORGANIZATION OF THE ITALIAN POLICE FORCES.

1. It is believed that the Italian Government agree with the Allied opinion that the Italian Police Forces require considerable reorganisation. The extent and type of reorganisation required is, however, debatable and may present difficult and delicate problems.

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The Police, in actual fact, should be the servants and friends and not the masters and enemies of the people.

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In this connection is is understood that steps are now being taken to remove the Metropolitani which is a section of the Civil Police operating in Rome, Milan, Naples and Palermo from the control of the Director of Public Safety to that of the Communs.

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The Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission, with the assistance of Allied Police ~~Forces~~, concentrated on the re-clothing, requipment and re-arming of the Carabinieri with the result that to-day this Force has become reasonably efficient as a combatant force. They are now equipped with armoured cars and automatic weapons. The Carabinieri are military in character and are armed as such although performing civil police duties.

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6. Any comprehensive reorganization many technical and detailed matters would require study. Some of the main problems to be solved, together with recommendations for consideration are given in the following paragraphs:-

(a) The merging of the main police forces under one central authority together with the elimination of over armament and of the duplication of effort may be an extremely difficult and delicate problem. The Carabinieri are an essentially military body, they are naturally very

co-ordinated and uniform training in modern police methods and

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jealous of their traditions and might not view with favour their complete absorbtion into the Corps of Public Safety Agents.

On the other hand it would be equally inadvisable for the Public Safety Agents to be absorbed into the Carabonieri and for the whole force to become completely military in character. An efficient police force can never emerge from a force which is organised wholly on military lines and in which the human touch, so essential in successful police work, is completly lacking.

It is suggested for your consideration that in order to keep their identity as far as possible the Carabonieri might remain dependent on the Ministry of War for food, clothing and equipment, but for all other purposes control should be vested in the Director General of Public Safety Ministry of Interior. It would be essential, however, that political bias should be completely eliminated from both Corps.,

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(c) As regards the pay of the Police Forces, it is appreciated that this is a matter which is affected by the wage scales of statal and para-statal employees in general. In principle, however, it is essential that the Police Forces receive a scale of pay which should remove temptations of bribery and corruption.

7. In the past the question of/an Allied Police Mission to advise on and assist in the re-organization of the Italian Police Forces has been discussed with various members of the Italian Government in power at the time.

It is suggested that re-consideration might be given at this stage to an invitation being extended to the Allied authorities for such a Mission.

Among other advantages which might accrue from such a step is/the prospect that the re-organization of the Police Forces would be considered in an atmosphere free from political bias and it is hoped might lead to the setting up of an impartial and efficient police organization.

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DRAFT. SECRET

SUBJECT: Police Agencies - Arms.

TO : AFHQ. G-5 Section.

1. With reference to your Signal F70256 dated 9 August 1946.

2. Your G-5:940.05 of 9 July 1946 states quite categorically that this matter is to be considered entirely as one for the Italian Government. Under these circumstances no recommendation appeared to be called for from this Commission.

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2. It is the opinion of this Commission that a reserve of automatic arms might be kept by the Corps of Public Safety Agents for use only in emergencies, and that the numbers already held are sufficient for this purpose. It is considered that no adequate reasons have been given by the Italian Government to justify their requests for additional automatic arms and armoured cars.

I consider that the President of the Council of Ministers should be so informed and that their request would be reconsidered if and when the Italian Government states its policy. As regards the future organisation and armament of the Police (including CC.RR) as a whole and appropriately gives an estimate of their overall requirements in aspect of additional war material required for the Police.

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