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AC. PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT.
Highway Equipment Office.
Florence, Tel. 1525.

TO : 84 C.R.E. Works, Florence.
SUBJECT : Ponte a Buriano Quarry.
REF : AD/7.
DATE : 26 August 1945.

1. To comply with your request I visited yesterday the Ponte a Buriano quarry together with Ing. Agostini, who is the representative of the Genio Civile, for operation of Highway Equipment.

2. Operation of all equipment in the quarry is the responsibility of Signor ALFIO CUNGI; he is paid by U.S.V.S., since July 25th when the Indicatore plant was turned over. He is a capable man and I deem that he is doing a satisfactory work, as foreman of the whole civilian crew. He has a good mechanic EUGENIO BURRONI while Sig. GIOVANNI BANI is supposed to give some help as an interpreter with the Military personnel and to control the trucks which are hauling materials. He is the Italo-american civilian who was put on this job by a British Corporal of the 276 Wks, Sec. on August 10th; and Genio Civile was supposed to pay him from August 14th on. The Genio Civile is actually paying him but I don't think his activity very valuable in the future.

The contractor ANTONIO MORETTI is only in charge of supplying unskilled laborers and pay them for Genio Civile.

3. On August 25th, the mechanics carried out such modifications of the Primary crusher as requested by the D.C.R.E. and Capt Croft: the moveable jaw plate was tightened and the output of the Primary unit is at present satisfactory, maybe even of a too small size in my opinion; but the stress for both crushers does not seem too high and the amount of fuel needed is now quite normal.

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4. The output is now about 70 cu.mts.per day : it could be increased if the shovel be used for a longer time than it is used at present (only 3½ or 4 hours per day), because they say that the Military personnel is now ready to work only 1½ hours in the morning (10.00 to 11.30) and 2 hrs. in the afternoon (2.00 to 4.00). And when the shovel is idle, the dumpers are idle too and also the crushers cannot be properly supplied with stone.

5. The 2 mixers, loaned by you to Genio Civile, are in good shape and working. A third one (IT/IG/1226) is idle, because it broke down (the magneto has to be changed) while some belting was used for one of the other two mixers.

Respectfully submitted

For Highway Equipment Officer

E.A. Milani

E.A. MILANI
CAPT. G.A.R.I.
FIELD ASSISTANT

c.c.

Mr. F.O. GRIFFITH, Highway Equipment Officer, A.C.P.W.&U. ROME.
Ing. GIUNTA, Chief Eng. U.S.V.S., Florence.
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AC.PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT.
Highway Equipment Office.
Florence, Tel.1525.

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TO : MR.F.O.GRIFFITH, Highway Equipment Officer
AC.P.W.&U. ROME.

SUBJECT : Equipment operations.

REF : AD/7.

DATE : 24 August 1945.

1. Two concrete mixers have been requested in the Bologna Area for the reconstruction of the Cassalecchio bridge (L. 8447) on Route 64 and Ponte Lungo bridge (L.3751) on Route 9.

2. Would you, please, issue orders so that two of the six concrete mixers, which are idle in Florence, be shipped to Bologna and loaned to contractors for the above mentioned jobs.

E. Milani

E.A.MILANI
CAPT.G.A.R.I.
FIELD ASSISTANT.

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AC. PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT
 Highway Equipment Office
 Florence, Tel. 1525.

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TO : Impresa Felorsi, Via delle Terme, 15,
 SIENA.

SUBJECT : Loan of one Tiltadozer and one Shovel.

REF : AD/7

DATE : 31 July 1945.

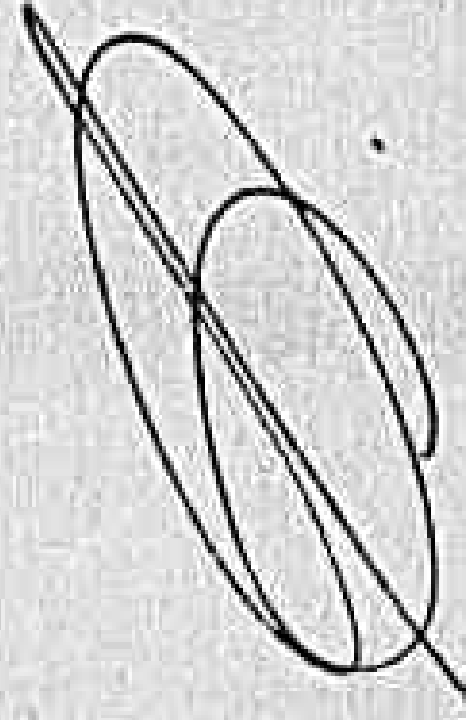
1. According to instructions of this Office the U.S.V.S. Florence has loaned to you the a/m equipment with its operators, since June 25th for the tiltadozer, crawler, and July 12th for the shovel.

2. No particular arrangements were made in advance in order to make them after having considered the kind of work to be done and the results of using such equipment.

3. It is at present necessary that such arrangements be made as quickly as possible to comply with the policy of this Office.

4. It is requested, therefore, that you report immediately to this Office to discuss the whole matter and submit to Ing. GIUNTA a contract for the loan of the equipment.

For Highway Equipment Officer



E.A. MILANI.
 CAPT. G.A.R.I.
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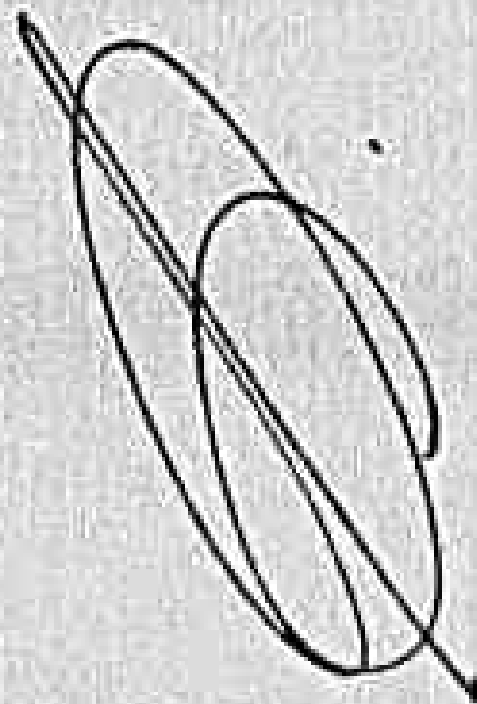
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MR. F.O. GRIFFITH

Highway Equipment Officer, AC. P.W.&U. ROME.

U.S.V.S.- Florence.-

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TRADUZIONE.

1. In seguito ad istruzioni di questo Ufficio, l'U.S.V.S. di Firenze ha noleggiato a codesta Ditta il macchinario in oggetto con i propri operatori, a partire dal 25 Giugno per il trattore e dal 12 Luglio per l'esecutore.
2. Non sono stati presi preventivi accordi, per stabilirli invece dopo aver considerato il genere di lavoro da farsi e i risultati dell'impiego di tale macchinario.
3. E ora necessario che tali accordi siano presi al più presto possibile in conformità alle direttive di questo Ufficio.
4. Si prega pertanto codesta Ditta di presentarsi subito a questo Ufficio per discutere tutta la questione e per sottoporre all'Ing. GIUNTA un contratto per il noleggio del Macchinario.-

AC. PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT.
 Highway Equipment Office
 Florence, Tel. 1525.

TO : Lt. COL. P. CLARK, jr., Asst Chief of Staff
 G-5, MONTECATINI.
 Redeployment training Area - A.P.O. 464 -

SUBJECT : Montecatini quarry.

REF : AD/7

DATE : 8 AUGUST 1945.

1. Ref. Maj. Moore's investigation on above mentioned subject dated 30 July 1945.

2. I discussed this matter with Ing. GIUNTA, Chief Engr. U.S.V.S., Florence, who took over operation of that quarry from the 345th U.S. Engrs' on June 8th 1945.

3. The S.P.E.S. was still supposed to pay the laborers in the quarry, since no estimate had been approved then for operation of that plant and a contract was in progress with the S.P.E.S. for road maintenance, on which some money could be made available for this purpose.

4. A new estimate has been recently approved by AC for the expenditure of a 2 months' operation of the quarry and a contract will be let to Contractor Ing. DAMI, according to approval of AC, for this job.

For Highway Equipment Officer

E.A. Milani
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 CAPT. G.A.R.I.
 FIELD ASSISTANT

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c.c. *[Signature]*
 Mr. F. GRIFFITH, Highway Equipment Officer
 AC. P.W.&U. Rome.
 Ing. GIUNTA - Chief Engr. U.S.V.S., Florence
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AC.PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT.
Highway Equipment Office.
Florence; Tel. 1525.

TO : Ing. GIUNTA, Chief Engr. U.S.V.S. Florence.
SUBJECT : Operation of Quarries.
REF : AD/7.
DATE : 13 AUGUST 1945.

1. Ref. memor to Ing. CROCETTA dated 27 July 1945 about location of crushing units and quarries to be operated in the future.

2. From Ing. CROCETTA himself, according to Mr. GRIFFITH's instructions, I understood in Rome that only 3 crushing plants, (Primary and Secondary) or at the most 4, will be left for operation in your Compartimento.

3. After investigations and discussions with Genio Civile and contractors, the policy for operation of the crushers was established by the Highway Equipment Officer as follows, according to a report dated 1st August 1945 submitted to Ing. Tizzano by our Liaison Officer:

a) A certain number of proper quarries, where to operate the crushers, will be selected in the area, so that each quarry will supply about 100 kms of State roads with an yearly output of 20 cu.mts. of stone per km.

b) Each crushing plant will be operated in 4 quarries for about three months per year and will, therefore, supply about 400 kms. of roads.

c) One contractor will operate, on a contract basis, all the quarries, where each crushing unit will be moved throughout one year and be responsible for its maintenance.

4. It is, therefore, requested that a definite plan be prepared of the quarries which might be used in

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your Compartimento, in order to submit it to the Highway Equipment Officer for approval together with the names of the contractors proposed for this job.

For Highway Equipment Officer

c.c.

Mr. D.O. GRIFFITH

Highway Equipment Officer

AC. F.W.S.U. ROME.

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E.A. MILANI

CAPT. G.A.R.I.

FIELD ASSISTANT.

TRADUZIONE.

1. Con riferimento al promemoria all'Ing. CROCETTA in data 27/7/45 intorno all'ubicazione dei frantoi e delle cave da adoperare nel futuro.

2.) Dello stesso Ing. CROCETTA, secondo le istruzioni di Mr. Griffith, ho appreso a Roma che solo tre impianti di frantumazione (Primerio e Secondario), od al massimo quattro, saranno lasciati per l'impiego nel Vostro Compartimento.

3. Dopo indagini e discussioni con il Genio Civile ed impresari, il sistema di gestione dei frantoi è stato stabilito dall'Highway Equipment Officer come segue, in conformità alla relazione in data 1/8/45 trasmessa all'Ing. TIZZANO del nostro Ufficio di collegamento:

a) Un certo numero di adatte cave, dove far funzionare i frantoi, verrà prescelto nella regione, in modo che ogni cava possa provvedere a circa 100 km. di Strade Statali, con una produzione annua di più di 20 mc. per km.

b) Ogni impianto di frantoi verrà impiegato in 4 cave per circa tre mesi all'anno e potrà perciò provvedere a circa 400 km. di strade.

c) Una sola Impresa gestirà, in forza di un contratto, tutte le cave dove ogni stesso frantoio verrà spostato durante l'anno e sarà responsabile della sua manutenzione.

4. Si prega pertanto di provvedere alla compilazione di un piano ben definito di distribuzione delle cave nel Vostro Compartimento dove si possano usare i frantoi, allo scopo di trasmettere il piano stesso all'Highway Equipment Officer per l'approvazione insieme con i nominativi dell'Imprese proposte per tale lavoro.

Mr. Griffith - *Ed*

Roma, 17 May 1945

*File -*REPORT: Situation Graders*AD/7/32*

The graders arrived at Roma Ostiense and there the mechanics of Immobiliare took care of them.

Among the lot one had been damaged (rubber pipes cut). According with the mechanics most had dead batteries, but nobody stated that anyone was missing. = All the tanks were full of oil. =

Later the graders that were supposed to be guarded have been transferred at the Farnesina Yard by the drivers sent by "Immobiliare".

There, in accordance with the statement of the foreman MARTA, ~~an~~ some people took the diesel oil off the tanks of the graders, using a truck to transport it.

Checking the batteries, it has been recently discovered that 16 batteries were missing on Saturday 6 May 1945 =

Then a new check made by Eng. Rubino brought the total of batteries missing to n° 18. =

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To: Mr. Griffith.
 from: E. Rubino
 Subject: Report.

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In annua è stato ultimato
 il lavoro di carico alla Tagliare.

Prevedendo il materiale si sono
 attivati le seguenti macchine:

Grader: batterie
 cuscini
 + 1 camera d'aria
 Spare parts
 tools
 all packing list

Scavatori: 2 braccia buona digressa
 4 " " per
 Spare parts - 1340
 tools
 + 1 c. d'acciaio

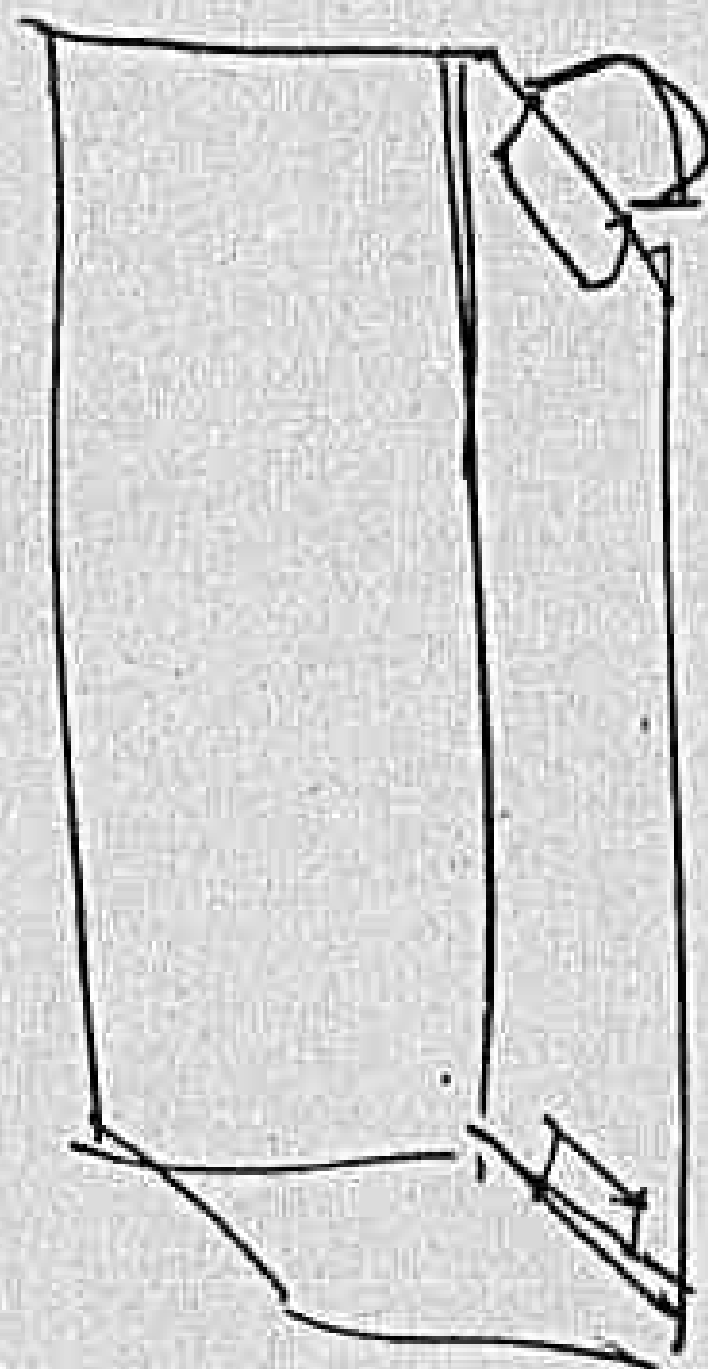
Confusion; + Battery
Tools
Spare parts
packing list.

Di questo mi ho informato:

- 1) M. For RENE che ha provveduto
al montaggio del macchinario
e che hanno declinato ogni responsabilità
- 2) il cap. Walsh
- 3) il Ten. Griffin
- 4) L'istituto Commerciale estero di Anversa.

Tutti hanno dichiarato per esperienza
sabilità.

Nella riunione stasera ho fatto le
copie per quello che manca
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AC PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT
FLORENCE Tel. 1522,1523, 1524 - Ext.37

AD/7/28/

Ref : AD/7 50/7

Date 26 June 1945

SUBJECT : Equipment Operation

TO : Mr. F.O. GRIFFITH, Highway Equipment Officer
Rome.

Ref. to what I reported to you yesterday by telephone, it is necessary that the Italian Ministry of Public Works give proper instructions to the Genio Civile in this matter of Highway Equipment.

I talked last night with Dott. Ing. Casalini Ispettore Generale of the Compartimento of the Genio Civile, and his assistant Dott. Ing. Zambelli, Ispettore of the Genio Civile about this and they, too, don't seem to have received any clear instructions from the Ministry. Since the A.M.G. Region has closed and is moving out I deem it better that such instructions be given to them for Ing. Giunta by the Ministry and not by the Regional Engineer. That will be easier, too, if handled directly between your Office and the Italian Ministry.

I must draw your attention to the fact that they don't seem to have understood that they are not helping us in our job, but we are helping them in theirs.-

Lack of proper instructions from the Ministry may produce lack of understanding here, what will be easily avoided if such instructions be given at once clearly and definitely.-

I am going along with Ing. Giunta quite well; you know that he is a capable and efficient man, but I can't blame him if the real policy of this whole matter of equipment issues and operation is not clear to him yet, since he only received a copy of Col. Thompson's letter 078/3/PWU, dated 5 April 45 and, as far as I know, no further instructions from his Ispettore Compartimentale or Ministry.-

I have mentioned this matter myself to Ing. Reggiani this morning by telephone.

C.C.
DOTT. Ing. Casalini
Ispettore Generale
Genio Civile, Florence
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E.A. Milani
E.A. MILANI 1339
Capt. G.A.R.I.

FIELD ASSISTANT HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT OFF .

TRADUZIONE.

Riguardo a quanto Vi ho riferito ieri per telefono, è necessario che il Ministero dei LL.PP. impartisca opportune istruzioni al Genio Civile in questa materia del macchinario stradale.

Ho parlato ieri sera di questo con il Dr. Ing. Casalini, Ispettore Generale del Genio Civile per questo Compartimento, e con il suo assistente Dr. Ing. Zambelli, Ispettore del Genio Civile; e sembra che neppure essi abbiano ricevuto dal Ministero chiare istruzioni. Poichè la Regione A.M.G. ha chiuso e sta per partire, ritengo preferibile che tali istruzioni per l'Ing. Giunta vengano date loro dal Ministero piuttosto che dall'Ingegneria Regionale A.M.G. - Ciò sarà anche più facile se trattato direttamente tra il vostro Ufficio ed il Ministero Italiano.

Devo attirare la Vostra attenzione sul fatto che non sembra abbiano compreso che non essi stanno aiutando noi nel nostro lavoro ma bensì noi stiamo assistendo loro.

Manca di adeguate istruzioni del Ministero potrebbe produrre mancanza di comprensione qui, il che sarà facilmente evitato, se tali istruzioni siano impartite subito con chiarezza ed in maniera definitiva.

L'Ing. Giunta ed io andiamo avanti insieme molto bene; Voi sapete che è persona molto capace ed efficiente, e non posso biasimarlo se la reale posizione di tutta questa materia della distribuzione ed operazione del macchinario non gli è ancora chiara, dato che egli ha solo ricevuto copia delle istruzioni del Col. Thompson (Lettera 078/3/PWU del 5 Aprile 1945) e per quanto mi risulta, non altre ulteriori istruzioni dal suo Ispettore Compartimentale o dal Ministero.-

Ho fatto cenno io stesso di quanto sopra all'Ing. Reggiani questa mattina per telefono.

AC PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT
FLORENCE, TEL. 1523 - Ext. 37.

Ref : AD/7

Date : 30 June 1945

SUBJECT : Bucyrus-Erie shovel.

TO : Ing. Giunta, Chief Engr. U.S.V.S. Florence.

1. Ref. the application dated 29 June 1945 of the contractor Falorsi asking you to loan him also the 1/2 cu.yd Bucyrus-Erie shovel for use on his RR work near Asciano, I asked Mr. Griffith's advise on this matter and he wants you to know that he is willing to let him borrow this shovel, which is not used at present.-

Will you, please, arrange, therefore, the loan of the above mentioned shovel to Falorsi under the same conditions as for the D-4 Tiltadozer tractor.

To comply with Mr. Griffith's instructions, the operators for this shovel will be supplied by the firm Bucci, who has them already handy according to arrangements.

For Highway Equipment Officer

E.A. Milani
E.A. MILANI
CAPT. G.A.R.I.
FIELD ASSISTANT.

TRADUZIONE.

1. Con riferimento alla domanda in data 29.6.45 dell'Impresa Falorsi che Vi richiede il noleggio anche dell'escavatore Bucyrus-Erie per impiegarlo nei propri lavori ferroviari presso Asciano, ho chiesto al riguardo il parere di Mr. Griffith che mi prega di farVi noto che egli desidera che l'escavatore, attualmente non usato, sia fornito in prestito a tale Impresa.

Vi prego perciò di disporre il noleggio del suddetto escavatore all'Impresa Falorsi alle stesse condizioni come per il trattore D-4 Tiltadozer. 1337

In conformità alle istruzioni di Mr. Griffith i meccanici conduttori di questo escavatore saranno forniti dalla Ditta Bucci, che li ha ormai a disposizione secondo stabilito.

C.O.

Mr. Griffith, Highway Equipment Officer, Rome.
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AC. PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT *Handwritten signature*
 Florence, Tel. 1523 - Ext. 37

TO : Ing. Giunta, Chief Engineer USVS, Florence.
 SUBJECT : Equipment operations.
 REF : AD/7
 DATE : 19 June 1945

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1. To enable you to get in time the fuel to operate your equipment, it is necessary that a statement be prepared for each type of machineries showing how much fuel is needed per Km of run or hour or day of operation.
2. I must insist on urging your office to organize mechanics and workmen in the workshop so that all cases of the recently arrived equipment be safely opened and the machineries checked and stored, if not used.
3. At least the Plant numbers must be painted on each item of equipment, which has been issued to you, so that it be easily found and controlled.
4. In each quarry which you have actually taken over, a certain amount of spares, accessories, tools and repair parts have been turned over to you or will be in the immediate future. According to Mr. GRIFFITH's instructions, dated 11 June 45, such materials must be inventoried and checked against packing lists. It is, therefore, necessary that they be all stored in Florence, where they must be immediately transported from the quarries, and lacked in a separate store-house, where it may be possible to control them, one by one; and keep them and the whole set of them, when ready, in order and without any possibility of mixing them up.
5. Also this weekend

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 5. Also this weekend I didn't get any reports from your office, as requested in my letter dated 7 June 1945. Will you please, see that I'll receive it in time next Sunday morning.

For Highway Equipment Officer

E. A. Milani
E.A. MILANI,
Capt. G.A.R.I.

Copy to: -

Mr. GRIFFITH, Highway Equipment Officer, Rome.
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AC PUBLIC WORKS ASPHALT

Florence, Tel. 1523-Ext. 37.

To : Mr. F. O. GRIFFITH, Highway Equipment Officer, Rome.

Subject: Compressors.

Ref : AD/6

Date : 2 June 45.

Ref. your letter dated 21 May 45, para 2.

1. I will try to locate the two 105 cu.ft. compressors which have been at Montelupo. No informations were available at the Ciano, S. Giuliano and Montecatini quarries.

2. The second compressor at Montecatini is a Le Roi (of the same model of the other, for which you already have proper records): WD No. 4709991, Engine No. 213541240.

3. Engine No. of the WD No. 4710032 compressor at S. Giuliano is 270546705.

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E.A. MILANI, Capt.
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Florence, Tel. 1523 - Ext. 37 -

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TO : Ing. Giunta, Chief Engineer USVS, Florence

SUBJECT : Equipment Operations and Storage.

REF : AD/7

DATE : 7 JUNE 45 -

In order to avoid any misunderstandings and improve the present situation, I deem it useful to outline to you the following directions:

According to letters AD/7 dated 1st of May 45 from Mr. Griffith, you have to take over immediately operation of the equipment, for which you have already signed the Memorandum receipts: for the equipment (one Primary and one Secondary crusher and one compressor) at Cortona quarry and for other six compressors, memorandum receipts will be submitted to you as soon as possible.

The equipment which was or will be transferred to Florence, will be issued to you according to Mr. Griffith's instructions and will be stored by you in your store-house and yard.

Spare parts and tools for all equipments will be collected and stored in your other store-house and issued to you, after having checked it and prepared the inventories.

The equipment which was or will be shipped to Florence, will be received and stored by you; all cases or boxes will be opened by your personnel and the equipment issued to you, or transferred elsewhere, according to instructions.

It is therefore necessary that you give to Geometra Dabbene and Signor Armichieri particular instructions to enable them to fulfill their respective tasks with some personal initiative and to organize their work more satisfactorily.

I don't want to interfere with the organization of your offices, but I feel that Geom. Dabbene is not yet completely aware of what must be done, as quickly as possible, to operate all equipments or at least doesn't show initiative enough to this and that Signor Armichieri needs more help to do his part of this job. He is working very hard, but cannot do too many things at the same time.

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I don't want to interfere with the organization of your offices, but I feel that Geom. Dabene is not yet completely aware of what must be done, as quickly as possible, to operate all equipments or at least doesn't show initiative enough to this and that Signor Armichiani needs more help to do his part of this job. He is working very hard, but cannot do too many things at the same time.

You have at present at your disposal one jeep, one light truck, three 3-Tonners and one tractor-truck with trailer. These vehicles have been assigned to you for the operation of this equipment. It is necessary that all these vehicles be used for this particular job, first of all, according to its necessities.

Please give orders so that Geom. Dabene and Sig. Armichiani may use them, according to your instructions and under your control, as 1st priority; any time you deem that they don't need them or you will give them some other transport, you will let somebody else use these vehicles for different purposes.

I have given to both of them the instructions, which I received from Mr. Griffith; it is now their task to submit to you for approval their schemes to work them out and their needs, while all difficulties, which they may anticipate, will be reported to this office as soon as possible without waiting until such difficulties have actually arisen.

Will you please submit to this office every Sunday morning a weekly report in two copies covering the activity in the preceding week of your office in this matter of highway equipment.

Please have painted, as soon as possible, on each item of equipment which has been issued to you our Plant Number as indicated in the Memorandum Receipt, like the numbers already painted on the 3 Tonnors and trailer.

For Highway Equipment Officer

G. A. Milani

E. A. MILANI, Capt
G. A. R. I.

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I pezzi di ricambio ed attrezzi per tutti i macchinari devono essere trasportati e raccolti nell'altro magazzino presso la Casa Cantoniera e saranno trasferiti al suo ufficio dopo essere stati controllati e inventariati.

Il macchinario, che è stato o sarà spedito a Firenze, sarà ricevuto e rigovernato dal suo ufficio; tutte le casse o gabbie saranno aperte dal suo personale ed il macchinario assegnato al suo ufficio o trasferito altrove secondo le istruzioni.

E' pertanto necessario che Ella impartisca speciali istruzioni al Geom. Dabbene e al Sig. Armichiari per metterli in grado di adempiere ai loro rispettivi compiti esplicando una certa iniziativa personale e di organizzare il loro lavoro in modo più soddisfacente.

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Non desidero di interferire nell'organizzazione dei suoi uffici, ma ho l'impressione che il Geom. Dabbene non sia ancora reso completamente conto di quello che deve essere fatto, al più presto possibile, per far funzionare tutti i macchinari o che almeno non dimostri abbastanza iniziativa a tale scopo e che il Sig. Armichiani abbisogni di maggiore aiuto per fare la sua parte di questo lavoro. Egli lavora molto intensamente, ma non può fare troppe cose allo stesso tempo.

Ella ha sua disposizione attualmente una jeep, un camioncino, 3 autocarri da 3 Ton. e un trattore con rimorchio. Questi veicoli le sono stati assegnati per il funzionamento del macchinario in questione. Occorre che tutti questi veicoli siano usati, prima di tutto, per questo lavoro, secondo le sue necessità.

La prego di impartire ordine affinché il Geom. Dabbene e il Sig. Armichiani li possano adoperare, secondo le sue istruzioni e sotto il suo controllo, con assoluta precedenza; ogni qualvolta Ella ritenga che non occorran a loro oppure provveda ad assegnar loro altri mezzi di trasporto, Ella autorizzerà altre persone ad impiegare tali veicoli per scopi differenti.

Ho trasmesso ad entrambi le istruzioni che ho ricevuto da Mr. Griffith; è ora loro compito di sottoporre a lei per l'approvazione le loro proposte e per l'attuazione ed i loro bisogni, mentre tutte le difficoltà presumibili dovranno essere segnalate a questo ufficio appena possibile, senza aspettare che tali difficoltà si siano effettivamente ormai presentate.

La prego di trasmettere a questo ufficio, ogni domenica mattina, una relazione settimanale, in due copie, sull'attività del suo ufficio nelle precedenti settimane per quanto riguarda il macchinario stradale di cui si tratta.

La prego inoltre di far dipingere, al più presto possibile, sopra ogni singolo macchinario che le è stato trasferito, il nostro Numero di Impianto (Plant Number); come indicato nel rispettivo memorandum receipt, analogamente ai numeri già dipinti sui tre autocarri e sul rimorchio.

A.C. PUBLIC WORKS
ASPHALT
Florence, Tel. 1523 - Ext. 37

TO : Capt. Mc Quarrie, 1216 Road Construction Coy.
SUBJECT : Muraglione Quarry.
REF : AD/7 /18
DATE : 1 June 1945

1. The equipment in the s/m quarry has been transferred to the Italian Government and issued to Engr Giunta, Chief Engineer U.S.V.S., Florence; memorandum receipts have been filled and signed.

2. I understand that orders have been already issued to you by FBS to let the Genio Civile (USVS) operate this quarry with their own personnel, who have been already instructed by your staff.

3. It is, therefore, requested that you let the Genio Civile take over and arrange to deliver to their representatives the equipment and all tools and spare parts, which you may have, so that there be no interruption in the functioning of the quarry and supply of materials.

For Highway Equipment Officer


E.A. MILANI
Capt. G.A.R.I.

Copy to :

- Highway Equipment Officer, Rome.
- Ing. Giunta, U.S.V.S., Florence.
- File.

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A.C. PUBLIC WORKS
ASPHALT
Florence, Tel. 1523 -- Ext. 37.

AD/7/17

TO : Capt. Lemkin, 345 U.S. Engrs, Montecatini.
SUBJECT : Montecatini Quarry.
REF : AD/7/17
DATE : 31 May 1945

1. The equipment in ~~the~~ the a/m quarry ~~has~~ has been transferred to the Italian Government and issued to Engr Giunta, Chief Engineer U.S.V.S., Florence; memorandum receipts have been filled and signed.

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ASPHALT
Florence, Tel. 1523 - Ext. 37.

AD/4/16

TO : Capt. Dabney, 226th U.S. Engrs. Pistoia.
SUBJECT : Porretta & Collins Quarries.
REF : AD/7/16
DATE : 31 May 1945

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- File.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
Air-Port Highways
Foggia-Pari Prov.
Tel:- Orange 67
Ref:- 26/3.

TO:- Sgt. ROGERS.

Arrangements have been made with
Lt. Jefferson of your outfit to have released to
Contractor BRANDUZZI a hut which you recently were
using for storage.

In case of your needing additional
information - contact Lt. Jefferson or S/Sgt Zulli.

S/Sgt Zulli can be contacted by
telephoning Orange 67 or Godfrey.

Prefettura Vecchia,
Foggia.
28-4-45.

Coleman L. HASIE, ³
Major,
Highways Engineer.

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Tel. 489081.
Ext. 339.

MEMORANDUM

FOC/sg

REFERENCE : 202/PWU.

22 April 1945

SUBJECT : Tires.

TO : H.H. Townsend, Civilian A.M.G.

1. Ing. Posso, is reporting to you for assistance in the selecting and issue of 129 salvaged tires for which he has the necessary requisitions.

2. You are directed to select 12-600x16 jeep tires from this issue for your asphalt kettles. Ing. Posso will wait for an assist in the charging of the tires for the civilian tires with which your kettles are now equipped and will bring the civilian tires, without tubes, to Rome.

3. The least possible time should be used in this tire change so as not to unduly delay Ing. Posso who is urgently needed in Rome.

V. S. THOMPSON,
Lieut-Colonel, R.C.E.,
Chief Pub.Wks.Div.

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C O P Y

LAJ/cc

Tel. 489081
Ext. 320HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission

26 March 45.

202/PWU.

SUBJECT: Construction Equipment.

TO : Public Relations Branch (att: Major Leacacos)

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Some of this equipment has been assembled and is already in use. The other equipment is being assembled and made ready for operation and will be put in use as soon as it is assembled.

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L.A. JENNY,
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FIELD OFFICE
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P W & U DIV
AC - PBS LIAISON

EF/sg

11 April 1945

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TO : Chief Public Works Division AC, APO 394.
(Attention: Lt.Colonel V.S.Thompson, PCE)

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4. This matter has been discussed with Lt.Col. M. Broyles, Chief Construction Branch, PBS, who informs me that the minimum requirements will be 10 complete sets, i.e. 10 Primary and 10 Secondary units with their accompanying air compressors.
5. It is my understanding that an additional shipment of rock crushing plants and air compressors is expected shortly.
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VI AVIATION ENGINEER AREA
ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO (PROV)
APO 528

JOG/sja.
7 April 1945.

EQUIPMENT MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER.....424)

TO: Commanding Officer, 1898th Engineer Aviation Battalion, APO 528.

1. Two (2) new motorized graders, the property of the Allied Commission, are to be delivered to the H&S Co., 1898th Engr Avn Bn motor pool this date. These graders have been made available for use on the roads in the Venosa - Spinazzola area. It will be necessary for you to furnish two (2) shift operators for these graders and also to service and maintain them. The use of the graders will be directed by Major Hasie, A.C. Road Engineer.

2. Major Hasie will contact you within the next day or so to lay out priorities of work for the above graders.

FOR THE AREA ENGINEER:

J. O. Gillespie
J. O. GILLESPIE,
Major, 21st Engr Avn Regt,
S-3 Officer,

cc to: Major Hasie, A.C.
S-4, VI AEA.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512.

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27 March 45.

SUBJECT : Requisition MGS-180-Eng. - Highway Maintenance Material.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.
(Attn: Supply & Resources Division).

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For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5 :

D. E. LATHROPE
1st Lt., CAC
Economics & Supply Division.

cc to : Public Works & Utilities
Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD)
APO 394

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27 March 1945

SUBJECT: Engineer Equipment

TO : Commanding Officer, Company "C", 2675th Regiment, Allied
Commission (Overhead), APO 394, US Army

1. Reference engineer property now being received at Company "C"
by Captain Zerra, for Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission.

2. It is requested that all allied papers on property mentioned
in paragraph 1, be forwarded to Regimental Supply Office with the least
practicable delay.

3. All dump trucks and jeeps, etc., in use by Public Works and
Utilities Sub-Commission will be shipped (paper transaction) to RSO
for reallocation to PW & U S/O.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARKIN:

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Lt Riccinni

HOWARD E. LEE
Captain, Inf
Asst Adjutant

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C O P YFX 34378
FEB 27/1449AD/3601
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ROUTINEAFHQ SIGNED MCNARNEY CITE NAENG, NAGDS
AGWAR WASHINGTON, INFO: ALCOM, PEMBARK, PERSIAN GULF COMMAND,
PENBASE.

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WAR DEPARTMENT letter, file AG 400.703 (25 January 1945)
OB - S - SPDDL,

Subject: report of excess supplies and equipment in PERSIAN GULF
COMMAND, dated 27 January 1945, paragraph 2 A (2) is referenced.
Item truck, asphalt, distributor, 800 gallons, each one; distributor,
asphalt, 1000 gallons, with accessories, mounted on REO truck, each
2, and compressor, air, 500 CFM, each 1, reported by PERSIAN GULF
COMMAND as not being available for shipment against our all
forward in FX 30677, cite NAENG, dated 20 February 1945.
Therefore it is requested supply action be reinstated on above
items.

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A/President
Chief Commissioner
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Mr. Griffith:

Above is for your information and record.

Capt - 7 Mar '44

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