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Please accept this motivation from the publisher for the late publication:

In the attached letter, the editor of the journal *Italian Studies in Southern Africa/Studi d'Italianistica nell'Africa Australe* indicates that Vol 37 No 1 of 2024 was only published in 2025.

The co-authored article “*I Neri Bianchi: Representations of Italian Prisoners of War Troubling Racial Identity*” appears in that edition and is being submitted as a 2025 research return.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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