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DEFASCISTIZATION, NATIONAL BODIES, OVRA
NOV. 1943 - APR. 1946

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Let me give you some information. The first document is a 57
Can you be very sure to help the delivery of it - 18 40 am
I would be able to see the documents from 1944

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28 DEC 1944

Mr. Off. Sec.
We have asked Mr. Radford of PWB to send you the
three copies. (See 899.2 - 19 Dec 44 attached)

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Can you please ascertain from PWB if there is any particular
reason for the document at 7:15 will mention event and if
reason for the document at 7:15 will mention event and if

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26 DEC 1944

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Can you please ascertain from this if there is any possibility
reason for the document at 719 and possible events and if
whether they have any relation to its being destroyed to the
Do you see any relation to the information in the documents
being passed to the High Court for Defection

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28 DEC 1944

To: Mr. Off Sec.

10.

I understand it is not in document it self which is denied but
the source - which P.W.B. are unwilling to disclose. The
see no objection to a copy of the list being given to
to Mr. for Defection, but you wish have to say what it
was a captured document or some other explanation. Personally
I don't know like giving them a list of names without
name supporting information or evidence, but there seems to be no
alternation. You might also like to pass on the info in Mr. Radford's
attention. 4 or might also like to pass on the info of Dec 7 1944
10. Dec 7 1944

It was intended to give a copy of the list of names to the
to the members of the Defection. The and another copy to the
for information. It is noted however that the copy for the
list. This classification number and evidence would be removed from
to the other documents. After all the information was destroyed from
the station records. I transmit now that the names were given to
Confidential classification. Restricted - a information address another
only to communications for official purposes name the other classification
may this list be passed to the P.W.B. - 35 is named name of P.W.B. only
and also the other of the list

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16 JAN 1948

Ref: 899.2

TO : Civil Affairs Section, AC.

FROM : Political Section

Reference this Section's memorandum 899.2 of December 24th.

2. Attached for your retention are two further copies of the list of names based on the report of the Ministers' Council "Internal", which have been furnished by Psychological Warfare Branch.

H. L. A. Hopkinson

H. L. A. HOPKINSON,
Acting Vice-President,
Political Section.

16th January 1948

Enclosures (2): copies of list
of names.

*1 sent to P. S. Sec.
16/1/48. H. L. A.*

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

Rome, 5 April 1946

NOTE

The Boards of Inspection of O.V.R.A. (Organisation for the supervision and repression of antifascism) were set up about 1927 for the purpose of carrying out a police activity for the repression of antifascism.

Each Board of Inspection had jurisdiction over a special area, so that the national territory was divided into 10 areas.

After the downfall of Fascism, on 25 July 1943, such Boards of Inspection were abolished and new local offices were set up in accordance with the new Italian political situation.

After 8 September 1943 in the territories still under the Nazi-fascist domination the Boards of Inspection continued to carry out their activity until the liberation, following instructions issued by the fascist republican party; they were called 'Special Public Safety Inspectorates'.

As the territories were liberated, said Inspectorates were dismantled and they were never set up again, not even under different denomination.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref DF/1.4/CA

13 Jan 45

Your Excellency

I am directed to enclose for your information two copies of a list which Allied officers have discovered of persons alleged to be on the payroll of CVPA as informers. From the size of the payments most appear to have been of quite insignificant importance, but the list is forwarded in case you may find any item of interest in it.

I am also directed to enclose a memorandum of an allegation made against De Rita Domenico, Director General of the Banco del Lavoro.

Believe me, Your Excellency,
Yours truly

[Signature]

S.W. WHITE Lt Col
for VP CA Section

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H E D'Alto Commissario per le Sanzioni
contro il Fascismo,
Palazzo del Viminale,
ROMA

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De Ritis Domenico - Director of the Banco del Lavoro

This man is stated to be now appearing before the Espionage Committee and it is possible that the Commission is not aware of the fact that he was regularly paid by the OWB as a secret political informer for over fourteen years, and that his name figures in the list of payments for the month of November 1943. During the period of his payment one of his duties was the surveillance of the Matteotti family.

De Ritis, during the greater part of the fourteen years was only a simple employee of the Credito Italiano and his nomination first as Vice Director, and then as Director General of the Banco di Lavoro aroused several criticisms in Roman circles, the Banco di Lavoro being a typically Fascist organization.

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Ref: 896.2

24 December 1944

SUBJECT: OVRA Informers.

TO : Civil Affairs Section, A.C.

1. Attached is a list of secret informers of the OVRA which have been furnished by P.W.D.
2. Additional mimeographed copies will be forwarded to you shortly.

H. L. A. Hopkinson

H. L. A. HOPKINSON
Acting Vice President, Political Section

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LIST 17 VIA D'ARCO ON THE MAPS OF THE ITALIAN ARMY. DALL'IPZS. 1943-1944. 141
 Nomeni Piani Mancini 11 Confidenti della Polizia Politica

UNICO DELLA RACCOMANDA D'ARCO IL VIGILANTE 1943-1944

1) Andrei	Gino	Borgo St. Jacopo, 16	Varese	1.73
2) Balentieri	Mino	Via G. Aselli, 8	Milano	1.775
3) Bazzi	Giovanna	Via Magenta, 10	Varese	1.73
4) Bonati	Alfredo	Via Mino Sica, 6	Genova	1.75
5) Botticelli	Emilio	Via Vittoria Colonna 43	Milano	1.75
6) De Antoni	Brichetti	Josef - Via Stradella, 5	Milano	1.73
7) Euret	Giuliano	Via Vigoni 3	Milano	1.73
8) Cagnani	Adelmo	Viale Alfredo Oriani	Forlì	1.73
9) Calabretta	Jole	Perun Posta	Venezia	1.73
10) Cantaloni	Marco	Viale Bonella 2	Trento	1.73
11) Caretta	Niccardo	Via Umberto 13	Curello	1.73
12) Careri	Gino	Piazzale della Vittoria, 11	Bolzano	1.75
13) Cattaneo	Giulio	Via Goffredo Mansi 19	Milano	1.73
14) Ceccarelli	De Dee	Via Gustavo Medana 28	Milano	1.73
15) Gianni Augustino	Giuseppe	Via Silvio Pellico 1	Pinerolo	1.73
16) Cirillo	Emanno	Casella Postale 1113	Genova	1.73
17) Colasanti	Corso Concordia 8	Fermo Posta	Trieste	1.73
18) Scala Maria	Corso Concordia 8	Via G. Benigno 39	Milano	1.75
19) Curti	Giuseppe	Viale Bligny 39	Genova	1.73
20) D'Agostino	Carlo	Via Colonicola 30	Milano	1.73
21) De Medici	Attilio	Via Palestro 35 A	Copo	1.73
22) De Sanctis	Giuseppe	Via Plinio 6	Padova	1.73
23) Di Lorenzo	Vittorio	Immacolata 3. Michele, 17	Milano	1.75
24) Disertori	Attilio	Via Carlo Cattaneo 1	Verona	1.75
25) Dubois	Adolfo	Via degli Ulivi (Genova)	Varese	1.75
26) Ferreri	Alberto	Fermo Posta	Uscio	1.75
27) Fistermacher	Elvira	Fermo Posta	Genova	1.75
28) Gattardi	Francesco	Via Andrea del Castagno, 10	Verona	1.75
29) Guarniero	Giovanni	Via Martino Anzi, 14	Copo	1.75
30) Geraja	Adelina	Via Marco S. Marco-Porta Ora-Venezia	Genova	1.73
31) Marino	Claudio	Via della Piuscola 41	Pinerolo	1.73
32) Mengolini	Nicola	Via Francesco Scave 15	Milano	1.75
33) Novelli	Giuseppe	Corso Pinerolo 7/4	Genova	1.73
34) Peroni	Alessandro	Via Settembrini 5	Milano	1.75
35) Pilla	Arrigo	Via Sordani 13	Genova	1.73
36) Pizzanaglio	Arturo	Via Piusola 8/3	Padova	1.73
37) Pozzi			Genova	1.73
38) Pozzi			Genova	1.73
39) Rischetti			Genova	1.73

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15)	Ciani Augusto	Via Silvio Pellico	Firenze	1.75
16)	Cirillo Giuseppe	Casella Pontale 111	Genova	1.75
17)	Colasanti Ermanno	Forno Posta	Trieste	1.75
18)	Scala Maria Is. Gerolamo	Corso Concordia 5	Milano	1.75
19)	Curti Giuseppe	Via S. Benigno 59 rosso	Genova	1.75
20)	D'Agostino Giuseppe	Viale Siliery 19	Milano	1.75
21)	De Medici Carlo	Via Colonicola 30	Como	1.75
22)	De Sanctis Attilio	Via Palestro 14 A	Padova	1.75
23)	Di Lorenzo Giuseppe	Via Plinio 6	Milano	1.75
24)	Disertori Vittorio	Lungadige S. Michele, 17	Verona	1.75
25)	Dubois Attilio	Via Carlo Cattaneo 3	Varese	1.75
26)	Ferrari Adolfo	Via degli Ulivi (Genova)	Genova	1.75
27)	Fistervacher Alberto	Forno Posta	Genova	1.75
28)	Totardi Elvira	Forno Posta	Verona	1.75
29)	Guerrero Margherita	Via Andrea del Castagno, 10	Firenze	1.75
30)	Mareffe Francesco	Via Martino Anzi, 24	Como	1.75
31)	Marino Giovanni	Liberto S. Marco-Ponte Dei-Veneria	Firenze	1.75
32)	Mengolini Giulio	Via Giovanni Pascoli	Firenze	1.75
33)	Novelli Adelina	Via della Piascola 41	Firenze	1.75
34)	Peroni Claudio	Via Francesco Scave 25	Milano	1.75
35)	Pilla Nicola	Corso Firenze 7/4	Genova	1.75
36)	Pizzamiglio Giuseppe	Via Settembrini 5	Milano	1.75
37)	Pozzi Alessandro	5. (Trenic/Rovato) per Sorrate	1.75	
38)	Pozzi Arrigo	Via Quarto 15	Padova	1.75
39)	Scicchetti Arturo	Via Piascola 5/3	Genova	1.75
40)	Vizza Attilio	Viale Laura Cicori Visconti 6-Milano	1.75	
41)	Sacchi Pietro	Via Asarotti 40	Genova	1.75
42)	Salini Lina	Via S. Benabuci 4	Padova	1.75
43)	Scialpi Alfredo	Viale IX Settembre 32	Trieste	1.75
44)	Soncelli Aldo	Viale Abruzzi 17	Milano	1.75
45)	Tamburini Bossi Luisa	Via Bernardo Castello 2	Genova	1.75
46)	Tosello Cino	Via Duvorio 6	Genova	1.75
47)	Vairi Carlo	Via 20 Ottobre 54	Firenze	1.75
48)	Viola Enzo	Via Melzo 12	Milano	1.75

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49)	Alicino Michele	Viale Manzoni 26	Roma	" 1,50
50)	Allotta Angelo	Via Luca Signorelli 11/14	Roma	" 1,50
51)	Angelotti Giorgio	Via Michele di Lando 10	Roma	" 1,50
52)	Antoci Epifanio	Via Emanuele Filiberto 233	Roma	" 1,50
53)	Benedetti Polidoro	Passeggiata di Ripetta 26	Roma	" 1,50
54)	Bertocco Natale	Via Pietro da Cortona 1/11	Roma	" 1,50
55)	Bresciani Italo	Via Pier Luigi Palestina 6	Roma	" 1,50
56)	Bronzini Carlo	Via Torre Argentine 13	Roma	" 1,50
57)	Calindri Manlio	Fermo Posta	Roma	" 1,50
58)	Calzolari Ferruccio	Via Tacito 10	Roma	" 1,50
59)	Casbiase Gino	Piazza Adriana 15	Roma	" 1,50
60)	Cassani Gino	Via Calatafimi 10/B	Roma	" 1,50
61)	Cavicchia Clelio	Via dei serpenti 22	Roma	" 1,50
62)	Ceci Temistocle	Via Rixio 91	Roma	" 1,50
63)	Cialli Mezzarosa	Via degli Scipioni 121	Roma	" 1,50
64)	Chierchia Mario	Via Conte Verde 41	Roma	" 1,50
65)	Cole ved. Stagnetti Giuseppina -	Via Tuscolana 162	Roma	" 1,50
66)	Colepinto Giuseppe	Via Giuseppe Merceilli 21	Roma	" 1,50
67)	Costantini Isabella	Via Silla 36	Roma	" 1,50
68)	D'Agnano Tommaso	Piazza Campo Marzio 5	Roma	" 1,50
69)	D'Ambrosio Bianca	Via Vincenzo Trois 26	Roma	" 1,50
70)	D'Aspre Arturo	Via Cutilia 39	Roma	" 1,50
71)	De Gottreu Bianca Maria-Via	Germanico 166	Roma	" 1,50
72)	Del Chiaro Michele	Viale Regina Margherita 204	Roma	" 1,50
73)	De Rita Domenico	Viale Regina Giovanna Bulgaria 24-Roma	"	1,50
74)	Grasso Edoardo Adolfo	Via Nazionale 261	Roma	" 1,50

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59)	Cambise	Gino	Piazza Adriana 15	Roma	"	1,50
60)	Cassoni	Gino	Via Calatafimi 10/B	Roma	"	1,50
61)	Caviochia	Clevio	Via dei serpenti 22	Roma	"	1,50
62)	Ceci	Temistocle	Via Bixio 91	Roma	"	1,50
63)	Cielli	Mezzaroma	Via degli Scipioni 121	Roma	"	1,50
64)	Chierchia	Mario	Via Conte Verde 41	Roma	"	1,50
65)	Cola ved.	Stagnetti	Giuseppina - Via Tuscolana 162	Roma	"	1,50
66)	Colapinto	Giuseppe	Via Giuseppe Mercalli 21	Roma	"	1,50
67)	Costantini	Isabella	Via Silla 26	Roma	"	1,50
68)	D'Agnes	Tomaso	Piazza Campo Marzio 5	Roma	"	1,50
69)	D'Ambrosio	Bianca	Via Vincenzo Trois 25	Roma	"	1,50
70)	D'Aspre	Arturo	Via Cutilla 38	Roma	"	1,50
71)	De Gottreu	Bianca	Maria-Via Garibaldi 166	Roma	"	1,50
72)	Del Chiaro	Michela	Viale Regina Margherita 204	Roma	"	1,50
73)	De Rita	Domenico	Viale Regina Giovanna Bulgaria 24-Roma	"	1,50	
74)	Drago	Edoardo	Adolfo	Roma	"	1,50
75)	Fabi	Ernesto	Via d' Ascanio 13	Roma	"	1,50
76)	Filippi	Luigi	Via Emilio Fae di Bruno 4	Roma	"	1,50
77)	Finizio	Mario	Corso Trieste 143	Roma	"	1,50
78)	Giaccaucci	Sirio	Piazza Lecce 11	Roma	"	1,50
79)	Giannini	Lelia	Corso Trieste 171	Roma	"	3,72
80)	Giordano	Domizio	Via Vittoria 40	Roma	"	1,50

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810)	Gori	Derdinando	Via degli Zingari 55	Roma	L. 1,50
82)	Govoni	Gian Carlo	Via G. Pisanelli 40	Roma	" 1,50
83)	Gregoretto	Ugo	Via Flaminia 336	Roma	" 1,50
84)	Luciana	Carretta in Grimaldi	- Via Esposito 37	Roma	" 1,50
85)	Lanari	Enes	Via Cesare Correnti 3/7	Roma	" 1,50
86)	Latted	Reoul	Via Reggio Calabria 7	Roma	" 1,50
87)	Link	Police	Via del Monte delle Gioie 34	Roma	" 1,50
88)	Maggiotto	Gloria	Viale Corso 81	Roma	" 1,50
89)	Mancuso	Manlio	Piazza Creti 11	Roma	" 1,50
90)	Menardi	Leo	Via Ipponio 8	Roma	" 1,50
91)	Mezzabotta	Aldo	Via Pier della Francesca 32/20	Roma	" 1,50
92)	Mezzatesta	Antonio	Via delle Giuliana 38	Roma	" 1,50
93)	Mioni	Giuseppe	Mezzini 55 Viale/Mazzatorta	Roma	" 1,50
94)	Montuschi	Anfredo	Viale Angelico 36/b	Roma	" 1,50
95)	Niccolis	Ernesto	Via Germanico 124	Roma	" 1,50
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89)	Mancuso Manlio	Viale Corso 81	Roma	"	1,50
90)	Menardi Leo	Piazza Crati 11	Roma	"	1,50
91)	Mezzabotta Aldo	Via Ipponio 8	Roma	"	1,50
92)	Mezzatesta Antonio	Via Pier delle Francesca 32/20	Roma	"	1,50
93)	Miozzi Giuseppe	Via della Giuliana 38 Mazzini 55 Viale/Mazzini 55/5a	Roma	"	1,50
94)	Montuschi Anfredo	Viale Angelico 36/b	Roma	"	1,50
95)	Nicosia Ernesto	Via Germanico 184	Roma	"	1,50
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93) Micchi Giuseppe - Viale Mazzini 55 Roma
 94) Montuschi Alfredo - Viale Angelico 36/b "
 95) Miccisi Ernesto - Via Germanico 184 "
 96) Crigoni Lina Ved. Manfredi - Via Monte Pertica 11 Roma
 97) Pezzoni Nelson - Via Piemonte 63 Roma
 98) Pezzullo Giuseppe - Via Carlo della Rocca, cas. Popolari Roma
 99) Pirani Edoardo - Via Tolaino 43 Roma
 100) Recanò Pietro - Via Boezio 92 "
 101) Riceschi Antonio - Via Comioti 68 "
 102) Ricci Caterina - Via Ciro Menotti 24 "
 103) Rossi Clotoldo - Via Modena 5 "
 104) Sabetino Federico - Via Monte della Farina 56 "
 105) Scucchia Angelo - Via Goito 29 "
 106) Sasine Jeanne Andrée - Via Salaria 400 "
 107) Sergio Carla - Via Uffici del Vicario 33 "
 108) Silvestri Ubaldo - Lungotevere Flaminio 70 "
 109) Tagliaferri Ada - Via Vitruvio 8 "
 110) Tavolato Italo - Via Pasquale Stanislao Mancini Roma
 111) Terrone Giuseppe - Viale delle Provincie 116 "
 112) Troise Giuseppe - Via S. Martino ai Monti 66 "
 113) Tuzzi Giulio - Via Livorno 14 "
 114) Verde Raffaele - Via Lombardia 40/9 "
 115) Verdile Domenico - Viale Manzoni 26 "
 116) Villa Achille - Via Antonio Gellonio "
 117) Zeni Turbiglio Giorgia - Via XX Settembre 1 "

- 103) Rossi Clotoldo - Via Modena 5 "
- 104) Sebastino Federico - Via Monte della Perina 56 "
- 105) Scucchia Angelo - Via Goito 28 "
- 106) Smaime Jeanne Andrée - Via Salaria 400 "
- 107) Sergio Carla - Via Ufficio el Vicario 33 "
- 108) Silvestri Ubaldo - Lungotevere Flaminio 70 "
- 109) Tagliaferri Ada - Via Vitruvio 8 "
- 110) Tavolato Italo - Via Pasquale Stanislao Mancini Rome "
- 111) Terrone Giuseppe - Viale delle Province 118 "
- 112) Troise Giuseppe - Via S. Martino ai Monti 66 "
- 113) Tuzzi Giulio - Via Livorno 14 "
- 114) Verde Raffaele - Via Lombardia 40/9 "
- 115) Verdile Domenico - Viale Manzoni 26 "
- 116) Villa Achille - Via Antonio Gallonio "
- 117) Zeni Turbiglio Giorgia - Via XX Settembre 1 "

CONFIDENTI PAGATI PER IL MESE DI MAGGIO 1944, SOLTANTO PERCHÉ GLI
ALTRI FURONO O LICENZIATI O PARTITI PER IL NORD.

- 1) Allotta Angelo - Roma
- 2) Benveduti Polidoro - "
- 3) Baldaacci Giovanni - "

4) Calzolari Ferruccio - Roma
5) Cambise Gino - "
6) Costantini Isabella - "
7) Cole Giuseppina, ved. Stagnetti - Roma
8) Calindri Mario - "
9) D'Agnesio Tommaso - "
10) D'Ambrosio Bianca - "
11) Finizio Mario - "
12) Giacomucci Sirio - "
13) Giordano Domizio - "
14) Govoni Gian Carlo - "
15) Link Felix - "
16) Mezzabotta Aldo - "
17) Montuschi Alfredo - "
18) Pirani Edoardo - "
19) Redonè Pietro - "
20) Ricci Caterina - "
21) Sabatino Federico - "
22) Scucchia Angelo - "
23) Tevioletto Italo - "
24) Verdile Domenico - "
25) Serri Angelo - "
26) Baglione Raoul - "
27) Petruccianni Matilde - "
28) Troise Giuseppe - "

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| 14) | Govoni | Gian Carlo | " |
| 15) | Link | Felix | " |
| 16) | Mezzabotte | Aldo | " |
| 17) | Montuschi | Alfredo | " |
| 18) | Pirani | Esposito | " |
| 19) | Medanè | Pietro | " |
| 20) | Ricci | Caterina | " |
| 21) | Sabetino | Federico | " |
| 22) | Scocchia | Angelo | " |
| 23) | Tavolato | Italo | " |
| 24) | Verdile | Domenico | " |
| 25) | Seri | Angelo | " |
| 26) | Baglione | Raoul | " |
| 27) | Petruciani | Matilde | " |
| 28) | Troise | Giuseppe | " |
| 29) | Fisternaecher | Alberto | " |
| 30) | Piperino | Guido | " |
| 31) | Terracini | Vittorio | " |
| 32) | Tagliareri | Luigi | " |
| 33) | Villa | Achille | " |
| 34) | Schifano | Domenico | " |
| 35) | Virgillito | Paolo | " |
| 36) | Gozzi | Enrico | " |

37) Bernasconi Giuseppe - Roma e la sua squadra

38) Antoci Epifano - "

39) Sig/rè Mosker Giuseppina - "

40) Finizio Mario - "
(Montelatici Ernesto
Checcucci Oreste
Giacomelli Loris
Bonoli Alfredo Guido
Calavite Magda)

41) Console G/le Picchi Tullio e la sua squadra - Roma

42) Lattad Paul - Roma

43) Mauro Niccolò - " (fisso mensile anticipato)

44) Ing. Zannoni Gino - "

45) Nicosia Ernesto - "

46) Angelotti Giorgio - "

47) Drago Adolfo - "

48) Fistermecher Alberto - "

49) Comm. Rosati Mario - " (su ordine del Nord)

50) M/llo CC. RR. Cornacchione Filippo - Roma (su ordine del Gabinetto)

51) Helmut Hütter- Lavorava in Austria per notizie politiche sino allo scoppio della guerra mondiale

52) Ferrari Umberto - lavorava in Belgio per notizie politiche fino allo scoppio della guerra mondiale, (Via Vescovedo 1 - Reggio Emilia).

53) Brancolini Dante - lavorava in Marocco - Rabat, per notizie politiche. Ultimamente trasferitosi nella Zona Internazionale. Con lo scoppio della guerra non si sa più nulla di lui.

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- 45) Nicosia Ernesto - "
- 46) Angelotti Giorgio - "
- 47) Drago Adolfo - "
- 48) Piestermecher Alberto - "
- 49) Comm. Resetti Mario - " (su ordine del Nord)
- 50) M/lio CC. MR. Cornacchione Filippo - Roma (su ordine del Gabinetto)
- 51) Helmut Hütter- Lavorava in Austria per notizie politiche sino allo scoppio della guerra mondiale
- 52) Ferrari Umberto - lavorava in Belgio per notizie politiche fino allo scoppio della guerra mondiale, (Via Vescovado 1 - Reggio Emilia).
- 53) Brancollini Dante - lavorava in Marocco - Rabat, per notizie politiche. Ultimamente trasferitosi nella Zona Internazionale. Con lo scoppio della guerra non si sa più nulla di lui.

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Ref: 899.2

19 December 1944

SUBJECT: List of Payments to Secret Informers of OVRA.

TO : Mr. Radford
P.W.B.

Reference to your letter of the 5th December regarding the list of payments to secret informers of OVRA in which you have received at your office. I am asked to say by the Civil Affairs Section that they would be grateful for anything you could do to dispatch the delivery of this list which is of some interest. They would be glad to have 3 copies.

H. L. d'A. HOPKINSON
Acting Vice President, Political Section

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PFB Unit No. 12

To: AG Political Commission
 Col. Thomson, AG
 From: Mr. MacFord
 Date: 5th December 1944

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A copy of the list of payments to secret informers of the OVRA has recently reached this office. The list refers to the month of November 1943, two months after the armistice. I am having this list copied and copies will be despatched to your offices at an early date.

Meanwhile I think it right to draw your attention to the following cases: De Ritis, Domenico, Director General in the Banco di Lavoro. I understand that this man is now appearing before the Epuration Committee, [presided over by Count Sforza], and I think that the Commission is not aware of the fact that he was regularly paid by the OVRA as a secret political informer for over fourteen years, and that his name figures in the list of payments for the month of November 1943. During the period of his payment one of his duties was the surveillance of the Matteotti family.

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8 SEP 1944

Ref: E.C./CA.

SUBJECT: O.V.R.A.

TO : E.C.'s Regions IV, V, VII, IX, Liguria, Piemonte, XI, and XII.
SCAP's Fifth and Eighth Army.

18 September 1944.

1. As formerly, all formations of O.V.R.A. will be disbanded, and their personnel suspended from duty. If Security Agencies require it or, if they are regarded as potentially dangerous in any particular case personnel should also be interned.
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3. It has been agreed with the Italian Government that disbanded O.V.R.A. personnel will be dealt with as follows :
 - (a) The Repatriation Commission responsible for the police forces will give priority to consideration of all ex-O.V.R.A. personnel;
 - (b) Those not purged may, if otherwise suitable be reinstated in the police forces but such personnel will be split up and distributed so as to break up personnel who have previously served together;
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Copy to: E.C.'s Regions I, VI and Southern.
Admin. Section.

for
Mr. S. LUSH,
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Notes of Meeting
between

H E Comm. FERRARI Dir. Gen. of Public Security and VP Admin on 24 August.

It was agreed:

- 1 That the case of all officers of OVRA should be considered by the Defining Commission as a matter of priority.
- 2 That this would apply also to officers in prison or at Padula whose detention was not required by the Army for security reasons, those cleared would be released.
- 3 That the rank and file who had been employed by OVRA should be considered by the same Commissions those not dismissed might continue in the service but should be distributed so as not to serve together.
- 4 That AGI will supply lists of informers against whom action might where appropriate be taken under the 3rd para of Art 3 or Art 8 of D.L. 159.

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MEMORANDUM - Q. 12A

To Acting Chief Commissioner.

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1 OVRA was created for the purpose of investigating the political activities of police personnel and was directly under the control of the Minister of the Interior. It commenced as one body but gradually developed a normal organization each zone being under an Inspector General of Public Security. The fullest and most careful report received (Region III) speaks of OVRA in these terms. "On the whole OVRA tried to keep its hands clean of any dirty work, except towards the end of its existence it did not even conduct its own interrogations. It did not effect its own arrests: trials were conducted before a Tribunale in Rome". Its personnel was drawn from officers, NCOs and men of the ordinary police and were all interchangeable between Questura and the Zones. They received considerable extra pay and there was naturally competition for the appointments which largely went to the best and keenest police. Slackness resulted in return to ordinary duty. The rank and file kept the records attended the telephone, received visitors, acted as doorkeepers chauffeurs jailors and made routine enquiries and investigations. All normal police duties, which they appear to be as willing to carry out for whoever commands them. They have worked for and to the satisfaction of the FSS, CIC, Provincial Safety Officers, RVP and the Badoglio Government. OVRA also employed informers most of whom were paid by results. These were not carried on the establishment though some received a fixed emolument. All were unknown to the ordinary rank and file. We have considerable lists of names in some districts.

2 Prior to the invasion the Badoglio Government purported to abolish OVRA as such but the personnel was transferred bodily to a newly formed "Special Inspectorate of Police" which was given the task of obtaining evidence against persons who had profited by Fascism. After the Armistice this Inspectorate was abolished except for some reason, in Sardinia. That has now also been abolished.

3 The Armistice Terms provide -
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- I. OVRA has ceased to exist the principal officers have fled to the mainland most of the less important were screened and some were interned. Rank and file have been re-absorbed in the ordinary police.
- II. OVRA has ceased to exist, a number fled but quite a number of officers and men are now carrying on ordinary police duties.
- III. OVRA has ceased to exist, no reason to suppose the personnel might be dangerous, a few might be weeded out, the dangerous element is the informer class. A very full dossier exists.
- V. OVRA non-existent, personnel mostly fled. One senior officer was used by PCS and is now with CIC.
- VI. The Special Inspectorate of Police continued after we sent ACC officers to Sardinia, though no longer so called and the men have been scattered, they are still employed on security enquiries and supply among others ACC with inform-

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VII. OVPA formally disbanded some have fled, the RC does not seem satisfied that the "informer web" is broken he speaks of fascist cells as existing.

In all cases lists of names of officers and rank and file exist; probably similar lists of informers in other regions could be compiled if investigation were made.

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The Reports from Regions suggest that OVPA was largely a normally conducted intelligence branch of the police service. Its personnel can be divided into three classes; the senior officers; the junior personnel (including both junior officers and the rank and file); and the informers (regular and casual).

6 It is neither necessary nor desirable that the services of what in some ways was the cream of the police personnel should be lost. If the organization and spirit of OVPA is destroyed, the continued employment of the efficient routine worker is likely to be more advantageous than dangerous.

7 It is recommended therefore that the junior personnel

a should be screened and that any who appear to have lent themselves to excesses or other improper practices should be suspended and brought before the appropriate Defascising Tribunal.

b that the remainder should be allowed to remain in the police force but as individuals not all in the same branches or department

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- 8 The real brain and spirit of OVRA lay in the superior officers and the informers not in the routine workers. The senior officers have mostly fled, some have been interned.
- 9 It is recommended therefore that as to senior officers the cases of all senior OVRA officials shall be brought before the appropriate Defascising Tribunal.
- 10 The informers are the real poison which may linger in the Italian system. These are the people who are prepared to spy on their friends, tell tales and no doubt frequently colour their stories (or even invent) to increase their monetary or other reward. They will still be ready for any dirty work if they can make anything out of it. In some Regions we have extensive lists we can probably get similar lists in other regions. It is this web which in particular must be smashed. Their power can best be destroyed -
 - a by their being uncovered and
 - b by the force of public opinion which once formed should tend to prevent others from following in their footsteps.
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OVMA.

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- 3 The Badoglio Government recognises this in that though it has abolished OVMA as such it has created an Inspectorate of Police to which it has transferred the personnel of OVMA.
- 4 It seems a pity to lose the services of what was probably in some ways the cream of the police and if the organisation and spirit of OVMA is destroyed, the continued employment of the efficient routine workers is ~~now~~ likely to be more advantageous than dangerous.
- 5 One would think however that it would be far more desirable to scatter such men throughout the Police force than to transfer them bodily to a new department which can with some justice be said to be the old men with a new name. It is true that they have the experience but with specially selected experts it should not be difficult to train others.
- 6 There may of course be among the personnel some of extreme fascist outlook and some who have lent themselves to improper practices.
- 7 So far as the rank is concerned, it is recommended
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 - b That those re-employed should be scattered throughout the police and not employed in any one department.
 - c That pressure should be brought upon the Italian Government to re-staff the new Inspectorate of Police wherever it is composed largely of ex OVMA employees.
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 b It is a visible demonstration to the Italian people of the breaking of fascist power, ^{and the breaking of fascist} evidence of freedom and removal of a fear that these men may still be receiving information from their informers which may be remembered for future use. When they are interned their web is broken and their power destroyed.
 c This should be insisted on for these reasons even if RSG see no reasons for argument for reasons of security.

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12 It is considered desirable therefore that these persons should be publicly arraigned before an epuration tribunal even if there is insufficient evidence to secure a conviction. A verdict of NOT PROVEN can be given under Art 479 of the Penal Procedure Code. If an arraignment is not desirable they ^{should} be summoned for a public enquiry into their conduct. If the epuration decree does not permit of this it should be amended so as to allow of this.

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