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20 June 1945.

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C. S. O.

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26 June 1945.

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Covering letter to the Post &
R.A. Manager, Review.*

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26 June 1945.

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The Chief Commissioner has enquired re folio 285. The answers are :-

- 1) The source in I.S.L.D., known as an Allied General. The original is at 283.
- 2) A copy will be sent to VIII Corps. 1000 11/17
- 3) The reports go direct to the Head of the Chancery, British Embassy and are always shown to Mr. McRide, who takes as few of those he thinks should be shown to the American Ambassador. In this case a copy will be sent to the American Ambassador. 1000 11/17

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Chief

Commissioner.

To see folio ²¹⁴ for information. A copy of this memo has been passed to the Land Forces Sub-Commission.

16 June 45.

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Commissioner.

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16 June 65.

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To:

Head of Chancery
British Embassy
ROME

Copy: A. Halford Esq.
Political Section
A.C. RME

From I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 30th June, 1945

The Christian Democrat leader in TRIESTE reports that C.I.N.A.I.
have sent demand to Rome that Milan should be seat of four major
ministries.

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Confidential

SUBJECT: Italian Civil Aristide.

FILE NO.

TO : A.V.M. Burke,
Air Force S/C.

20 June 1945.

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I think you sh^d see this topsecret
mat. Please return it to me after perusal.

[Signature]

(A. S. HOLFORD)
Asst. Political Adviser
Political Section

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Ref: 11/38

To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
ROME

Copy: A. Halford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C. ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 26th June, 1945

A British officer has obtained the attached report
from a subsource in Milan.

Paragraph 7 is from an F.S.S. contact.

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Confidential

SUBJECT: Italian Civil Aviation.

FILE NO.

20 June 1945

TO: A.V.M. Brooke,
Air Force S/C.

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[Signature]

(A. S. HALFORD)

Asst. Political Advisor
Political Section

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Mr. A. S. Halford
Assistant Political Advisor

Thank you. I am sending a copy to
the Chief Intelligence Officer, D. A. A. F., for information.

4 July 45.

L. P. Bowditch
ATTN
AFSC.

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Ref: 11/138

To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
Rome

Copy: A. Halford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.G., ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Home Area Allied Command

Date: 28th June, 1945

A British officer has obtained the attached report
from a source in Milan.

Paragraph 7 is from an F.S.S. contact.

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I.S.L.D.

ITALY

POLITICAL

ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATION

1. About six weeks ago Colonel IZZO (Serafinelli), Communist representative for aviation in the C.L.N. of MILAN, was officially instructed by CASPAROTTO, Minister of Aviation, to form the C.L.N. dell'Aviazione.
2. At the same time IZZO was unofficially told to examine the possibilities of laying the foundations of a "Co-operative Aeronautics", with the object of rebuilding Italian civil aviation.
3. IZZO with, as colleagues, Colonel HAZZA (Action Party) and Colonel SACCHI (Socialist Party) - both formerly of the Italian Air Force - set himself up in the premises of A.N.E.A., the former Italian Fascist airways company, which has been absorbed by the C.L.N. dell'Aviazione. The address is VIA UGO FOSCOLO 3, MILAN.
4. Colonel IZZO is responsible for the organization and the direction of the "Co-operative Aeronautics"; HAZZA is responsible for the technical direction of the company, while SACCHI is to recruit and train pilots.
5. Source, who is in close touch with IZZO whom he describes as being interested solely in his own advancement and only "relatively intelligent", states that the project has interested a number of Italian capitalists, notably CAPACCI, BORLATTI and TABOZZI, who are said to have promised unqualified support if they can be assured that the undertaking has the backing of one of the

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6. Source was informed by IZZO that the Communist Party had promised financial assistance for the project and that certain Americans had shown unofficial interest in the matter. IZZO suggested that source might sound the British on the question, to ascertain from which quarter the most favourable terms might be obtained.

7. An independent and usually reliable informant describes IZZO as a trustworthy individual, but MAZZA as being unintelligent and of little technical ability; SACCHI is said to have made considerable sums of money by dishonest administration of certain airfields, when serving in the Italian Air Force before the Armistice.

Ref: 542/296/EC.

7 July 45.

Subject: Political Reports.

To: SCAG, VERNEIA GIULIA.

Enclosed for your information is a report from a secret source.

I would be very glad if you would keep a careful eye on this and report any developments. It is most undesirable that AMF territory should be used as a base for anti-Tito elements.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 11/745 RMB

To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
Rome

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Copy: A. Halford, Esq.
Political Section
A.C. ROME

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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

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and is a base of*

Date: 30th June 1945.

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relations with Trieste
are somewhat high during*

attached is a report received from TRIESTE on June 25th.

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YUGOSLAVIA

MILITARY POLITICAL

ACTIVITIES OF MIHAILOVICH

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1. A usually reliable source reports that a sub-source of his, who is an OSOPPO agent in the TARGENTO area claimed to have seen in an OSHA intelligence bulletin a statement that MIHAILOVICH is organizing armed OETHIX forces in BOSNIA west Serbia and Montenegro. The same bulletin reported similar bands active in Slovenia.

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- These activities in Slovenia have been confirmed by TRUCULENT who states that there is a small force of anti-Tito Yugo Slav Corps in the TARNOVA area (mountain area east of Gorizia.)

Note. OSHA (10ZNA) Yugo Slav National Security organization. Directed more against keeping order in the Party than in the country generally.

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Subject: Political Reports.

To: SCAG, VERMONT, CHILIA.

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Attached please find report from a secret source,
forwarded for your information.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 542/290/EC.

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7 July 45.

Subject: Political Reports.

To: SCAD, XIII Corps.

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Attached please find copy of a report from a Most
Secret source, forwarded for your information.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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NUM 2415

To: Head of Chancery.
Copy to A. Balford Esq.,

Ref: 1151
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NY letter 11/701 of June 15th.

1. We now have the following information from Trieste to amplify that given in the telegrams attached and the above-mentioned letter. It comes from the same sources and is dated June 10th.

a) The civilians left behind by the Hugo Slave are disposed as follows:

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|---|-------------|
| 1) In civil administration offices | 1,000 plus |
| 2) In the Guardia del Popolo the Yugo Slav sponsored police | 3,500 |
| 3) In the VIGILI DEL FUOCO | 500 |
| 4) In the SINDACATI UNICA | 500 |
| 5) In the forces of employment not represented in the SINDACATI UNICA | 500 |
| 6) Shola time agents and propagandists | 1,000 plus. |

These figures are necessarily provisional and approximate but are confirmed by the estimates of different sources. It has moreover been established that 5,000 civilian suits were purchased in Trieste by the Yugoslav authorities in late May and early June.

b) The majority are Italian Communists and Italian-speaking Slovenes who have served with the Yugoslav Partisans or with the GARIBOLDINI. Some Slovenes and Yugoslavs who can speak no Italian are among them. A number of individuals believed to belong to OSNA and many recognised as former members of the political branch of the Yugoslav army, have been placed in civil administration offices.

c) It is the intention of ASG to disband the GUARDIA DEL POPOLO, but it is anticipated that only the 1,000 to which they admit will present themselves for the ceremony of dismissal while the others will remain in the background and join the ranks of categories (3) and (6) in sub-para (a) above.

d) The general programme to be executed by these groups is believed to be as follows:

- 1) The dissemination of Communist and anti-Allied propaganda and the spreading of rumours.
- 2) The organisation of Communist demonstrations.

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- 1) The dissemination of Communist and anti-allied propaganda and the spreading of rumours.
- 2) The organisation of Communist demonstrations.
- 3) Intimidation of non-Communist pro-Italian and anti-Yugoslav elements.
- 4) Physical sabotage of public utilities.
- 5) Destruction of Allied officials in particular any native police force recruited by AMG.
- 6) Organisation of strikes.
- 7) Preparation of a coup d'etat whereby Communists seize control of the town and declare for federation with Yugoslavia.

e) Points (1) (2) (3) and (5) in this programme can already be observed being put into practice the evident policy in (1) and (2) being to throw the emphasis on Italian Communism and Russian support and to exclude specifically Yugoslav emblems and interests. Under (4) no episodes have as yet been reported. Under (6) two sources report the existence of a general strike.

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Reports - they can be dated as early as the middle of July as a tentative date for (7). It has, however, been a recurrent feature in Yugoslav propaganda in this area during the past month to cite a specific date for some future event which has in practice not been found to occur.

1) The machinery by which the execution of the general programme is executed and controlled is not yet clear. In broad outline it may be said that direction is in the hands of key officials among categories (1) and (5) given in paragraph 2, while execution is the task of the remainder. A formidable number of addresses where regular meetings take place between representatives of the different elements concerned have been identified. Two in particular are believed to be significant for day to day co-ordination of policy:

- 1) the house of a Communist priest in CATTINARA where daily meetings are reported to take place between USPA representatives and Yugoslav civil administration officials.
- 2) The GUARDIA DEL POPOLO barracks where meetings are consistently reported to take place between representatives of the SIMBAČARI UPRISAI the Slovene Ministry of the Interior and individuals reported by the two sources neither with conclusive proof as belonging to the OGPU or NKVD.

2) It has not been possible to identify the chief personalities in the directing hierarchy but the following are suspected of being among their number:

1) FRANK ETNOJA

Member of the O.P. 1st Secretary of the Italian-Slovene Council of Liberation.

2) GUSTVINCICH

Vice-president of the original crisis. Given no official appointment when the Committee was re-organised. Member of MOVIMENTO COMUNISTA.

3) Col. BOGOMOLOV

Head of the Russian Military Mission at VILLA DEL REYOSO. Member of Executive Committee of Slovene Communist Party.

4) Dott. LASIC

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 - 4) Dott. LASIC
A well educated individual, who describes himself as present in Trieste in a consultative capacity to the Yugoslav Civil Administration. LASIC is not believed to be his real name. Married to an Englishwoman. Before the war had some such appointment as Secretary to the Yugoslav delegation to the League of Nations.
 - 5) Comrade TMO
Prominent figure in SINDACATO UNICO.

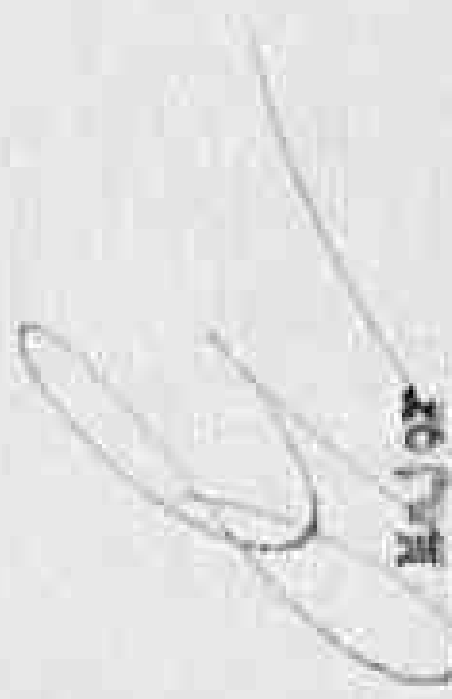
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2. All this information has now been confirmed by another source who is a former Gestapo agent now working for the Yugo Slavs in the GUARDIA DEL POPOLO. He is stated to have lost his nerve and is now in contact with the chief of the Trieste C.I.M.
3. This source gives the following additional information:
 - a) Two thousand members of the GUARDIA DEL POPOLO did not attend the disbandment ceremony, and are still in Trieste organized in cells of fifteen to twenty persons. Source has given the names and addresses of members of one cell all of whom are Yugo Slavs. He hopes to be able to give complete list.
 - b) Source states that sabotage programme is about to start. The targets are to be public utilities, bridges and Allied motor transport.
 - c) Source affirms that Yugo Slavs intended to attack Allied Police in BARCOLA suburb of Trieste on the night of June 25th, but that operation was cancelled at a late hour.
4. This former Gestapo source has also confirmed the information given in report attached to our letter No. 11/74A of June 29th.

Major
I.C.I.D.

- b) Source states that sabotage programme is about to start. The targets are to be public utilities, bridges and Allied motor transport.
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JUL 6 1945

To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
ROME

Copy: A. Balford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C.. ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 28th June, 1945

The attached report has been received from TRIESTE,
dated 24th June, 1945.

Major
I.S.L.D.

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ITALY
POLITICAL

1. DON FIGARO MARZANI, the leader of the Tyrolean Christian Democrat Party, who was recently in Genoa and Milan states that negotiations are in progress between the Christian Democrats and the Action Party in Alta Italia to effect the fusion of the parties.
2. He maintains that the Communists and Socialists, who are aware of these negotiations, have also begun discussions with a view to forming a second bloc.
3. He states that members of inscribed Parties in Milan are as follows:

Communists	6,000
Socialists	5,000
Christian Democrats	4,000
Action Party	about 2,000
4. He also stated that in Venice up to three quarters of the total number of workers would vote for the Christian Democrats in any election.

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Ref: 11/744

To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
ROME

1745 JUL 6 1945

Copy: A. Helford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C., ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 29th June, 1945

Attached is a report on the general strike in Trieste
on June 25th.

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ITALY

POLITICAL

GENERAL STRIKE AT TRIESTE

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1. The following report on TRIESTE has been supplied by a source who is a member of the Action Party and formerly in the C.L.N., from a sub-source a journalist engaged in research for the Christian Democrat Party in TRIESTE. These sources are untried, but most of the details they have given have been confirmed by TRUCULENT.
2. The general strike in TRIESTE on June 20th was organized by the H.Q. of the Liberation Front in Ljubljana in conjunction with the Slovens Regional Committee at AIDUSSINA, through the local medium of the SINDACATI UNICI which are controlled by Yugoslav nominees and are not representative of the workers.
3. An interesting fact is that local Italian communists were only instructed to strike late on the previous night, while Slav elements were warned the previous morning.
4. Different reasons for the strike are given by the different groups of workers. Some groups were informed that the object of the strike was to secure wage increases while others were told that it was a protest against the disbanding of the GUARDIA DEL FUCILO.
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6. Banks did not obey orders to strike.
7. In general the strike was not popular with workers, though the local press claimed a popular and spontaneous rising. Further strikes are reported to be imminent.

Both sources report that the Yugoslavs are planning an armed uprising against the Allied Government for the first fortnight of July. The first source gives July 10th as the intended date.

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Reported to Saco by Capt
has signed 1208 of 5 Sub - see file 672/193/EE

By
to
T.M.R.

E.C.

1. What is source?
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to SCAD XIII?

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Ref: 542/285/EO.

5th July 45.

Subject: Political Reports.

To: Regional Commissioner,
VERMONT Region.

Attached please find summary of Yugoslav activities
based on reports received from most secret sources. This is
forwarded for your information.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Copy passed to ec.

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28 June 45.

1. The following is a general summary of Yugoslav activities in Priuli based on specific local reports from a number of sources.
2. Yugoslavs have established groups of agents in post towns and villages within the area bounded east by the Isonzo, north by a rough line TREVISO, CORTICO, AVERZIO and west by a line AVERZIO, MONFICO, PORDENONE.
3. Personnel of groups is chiefly Italian Communists and Italian speaking Slovenes. In areas near Austrian frontier they are attempting recruit Austrian sympathizers. There is a large proportion of women in all groups. These women are very largely controlled through priests.
4. Immediate tasks of these groups are :-
 - 1) Dissemination of communist and anti-Allied propaganda.
 - 2) Provision of intelligence about Allies.
 - 3) Obstruction of Allied Military Government.
 - 4) Promotion of discontent and organization of strikes.
 - 5) Organization of communist demonstrations.
 - 6) Intimidation of non-communist elements and stifling of anti-communist political action.
5. Ultimate intention is to organize a series of coups d'etat whereby communist committees seize control of all towns in the area and elect for autonomy, e.g. autonomous unit of Udine and area, autonomous unit of Pordenone and area, etc.
6. Local autonomous unit will then be combined in an autonomous Federal state of Priuli which will declare itself independent of Italy and make a treaty for further collaboration with the Yugoslavs.
7. Keynote of all propaganda is that Italy is still fascist and has attempted and is prepared to abandon Priuli; Priuli is a Yugoslav sphere of influence and Yugoslav interest in this area is fully backed by Russia.
8. Specific statement has been made in several speeches during the last few days that on June 26th the Allies are to withdraw forty kilometres west of the Isonzo and the Yugoslavs and Russians will re-occupy the area. A feature of Yugoslav propaganda last month has been the citing of specific dates for carrying out events which have in fact never taken place, and has presumably been cited merely to give the audience an illusion of urgency.
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10. There is ample evidence that Garibaldini are dumping arms, and report from one source states that National HQ has issued instructions to

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11. Reports from several sources state that Andres, Supreme Commander for all Garibaldi units, is the Chief Yugoslav and Communist agent for Friuli.

12. Although the rank and file are seriously disillusioned by treatment by the Yugoslavs, their communist sympathies have not been necessarily killed.

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13. In general sources consider that communist propaganda is being received with sympathy in Ulm, Prilli and Gernia where the food situation is bad with considerably unemployment and large numbers of discontented workers and prisoners returning from Austria and Germany.

14. In lower Prilli the food supply and employment conditions are making much progress.

Planning authorities are now working on a plan to increase the food supply in the area to 100,000 tons per year. This plan is being discussed with the local authorities and the local population.

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From: I.S.L.D.
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Date: 23th June, 1945

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Attached is a report on Yugoslav activities in
FRIULI, dated 20th June, 1945.

Copies sent American Ambassador
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POLITICAL

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1. The following is a general summary of Yugoslav activities in FRIULI based on specific local reports from a number of sources.
2. Yugoslavs have established groups of agents in most towns and villages within the area bounded east by the Isonzo, north by a rough line TARVISIO, SARPICO, AMPEZZO and west by a line AMPEZZO, MANIAGO, PORDENONE.
3. Personnel of groups is chiefly Italian Communists and Italian speaking Slovenes. In areas near Austrian frontier they are attempting recruit Austrian sympathizers. There is a large proportion of women in all groups. These women are very largely controlled through priests.
4. Immediate tasks of these groups are:
 - (1) Dissemination of communist and anti allied propaganda;
 - (2) Provision of intelligence about Allies;
 - (3) Obstruction of Allied Military Government.
 - (4) Promotion of discontent and organization of strikes.
 - (5) Organization of communist demonstrations.
 - (6) Intimidation of non-communist elements and stifling of anti-communist political action.
5. Ultimate intention is to organize a series of coups d'etat whereby communist committees seize control of all towns in the area and elect for autonomy. e.g. autonomous unit of Udine and area, autonomous unit of

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6. Local autonomous unit will then be combined in an autonomous Federal state of Friuli which will declare itself independent of Italy and make a treaty for further collaboration with the Yugoslavs.

7. Keynote of all propaganda is that Italy is still Fascist and has attempted and is prepared to abandon FRIULI; FRIULI is a Yugoslav sphere of influence and Yugoslav interest in this area is fully backed by RUSSIA.

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8. Specific statement has been made in several speeches during the last few days that on June 26th the Allies are to withdraw forty kilometres west of the Isonzo and the Yugoslavs and Russians will re-occupy the area. A feature of Yugoslav propaganda last month has been the citing of specific dates for carrying out events which have in fact never taken place, and has presumably been cited merely to give the audience an illusion of urgency.
9. Role of GARIBOLDINI in programme is not yet clear, but former Garibaldini officers are active members of groups reported above.
10. There is ample evidence that GARIBOLDINI are dumping arms, and report from one source states that NARISONI H.Q. has issued instructions to lower formations for automatic weapons to be hidden in the mountains. Source was informed the reason was that revolution at a later stage might be necessary.
11. Reports from several sources state that ANTONI, Supreme Commander for all Garibaldini units, is the Chief Yugoslav and Communist agent for PRIULI.
12. Although the rank and file are seriously disillusioned by treatment by the Yugoslavs, their communist sympathies have not been necessarily killed.

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11. Reports from several sources state that ANDREA, Supreme Commander for all Garibaldini units, is the Chief Yugoslav and Communist agent for FAIOLI.

12. Although the rank and file are seriously disillusioned by treatment by the Yugoslavs, their communist sympathies have not been necessarily killed.

13. In general sources consider that communist propaganda is being received with sympathy in ULMA, FAIOLI and GARLIA where the food situation is bad with considerable unemployment and large numbers of discontented workers and prisoners returning from Austria and Germany.

14. In lower FAIOLI the food supply and employment conditions are making much progress.

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2 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Political Reports.

TO : S.C.A.G., Fifth Army.
S.C.A.G., IV Corps.
Regional Commissioner, FIDELITY Region.

1. The attached reports from a Secret source are forwarded to you for information.
2. The source explains that in order to protect informants great caution is necessary in taking any action on these reports.
3. All references are given in relation to ITALY and May 1/200,000 series.

1/3/45 T. J. BOT
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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To: Head of Chancery
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Copy: A. Halford, Esq.,
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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 27th June, 1945

Attached is a report on an Italo-Swiss industrial project,
dated 15th June, 1945.

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ITALY

ECONOMIC

ITALO-SWISS INDUSTRIAL PROJECT

1. The Italian and Swiss Governments have for some time been negotiating with a view to the construction of pipe-lines from GENOA to SWITZERLAND for the transport of petrol and oil.
2. Certain individuals, notably the Marchese MEDICI DEL VASCELLO, representing Italian private interests, have also been negotiating with representatives of private Swiss interests with regard to a similar scheme.
3. It is said that the Governments concerned, foreseeing the difficulties involved, may decide to abandon the project in favour of the interests mentioned in paragraph 2 above, of which the plans appear to be taking concrete shape.

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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 27th June, 1945

1. The attached report has been supplied by RIVER from sub-sources sent into various parts of PIEMONTE at the end of May to obtain information of this type.
2. RIVER emphasises that in order to protect his informants great caution is necessary in taking any action on this report.
3. All pinpoints are given in relations to ITALY Road Map 1/200,000 series.
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ITALY

POLITICAL / MILITARY

HIDDEN ARMS DUMPS IN PIGNONE

1. ASCI-ALISSANDRIA AREA

A. CASTEL ALFARO - SERRA DI FERRA (sheet 7 J.2620)

An Action Party formation commanded by a certain RENATO is said to have buried in this area 400 steel guns with ammunition, packed in cases with sandust. (Note: we are unable to pinpoint CASTEL ALFARO.)

B. Communist units have hidden arms in the villages of FORCO-GRANNO (sheet 7 J.4213) and SCURZOLONGO, and at MONTESAGNO (sheet 7 J.5318), either in or near the castle belonging to the CALVI family.

2. CUNEO AREA

A. The Action Party have arms hidden in various farm houses in the area TARANTASCA (sheet 10 K.8766) - MULLA - L'VALDIGI - VOTTIGNASCO (sheet 7 N.9173), and particularly in the vicinity of S. CRISTINA. These arms consist of 3 heavy M.G.s, 20 stens, 3 Thompsons, 15 cases of ammunition, 10 cases of hand grenades and a considerable, but unspecified, number of rifles and revolvers. (Note: we have been unable to trace S. CRISTINA, which may consist of a few farm buildings only - probably in the area East of BUSCA and West of National Road 20.

B. On 2nd June, 1945, 15 farm carts filled with arms and ammunition, formerly belonging to the LITTORIO and MONTENAPOLI Divisions and now in the hands of the Communists, passed through ROSSANA coming from PIASCO and bound for LA GRANGE.

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(sheet 7 J.4433) and SUREZOLERO, and at MONTESADO (sheet 7 J.5315), either in or near the castle belonging to the GAFFI family.

2. CURRO AREA

A. The Action Party have arms hidden in various farm houses in the area TARANTASCA (sheet 10 N.8756) - MELISA - LUNALDINI - VOTTONASCO (sheet 7 N.9173), and particularly in the vicinity of S. CRISTINA. These arms consist of 3 heavy M.G.s, 50 stons, 3 Thompsons, 15 cases of ammunition, 10 cases of hand grenades and a considerable, but unspecified, number of rifles and revolvers. (Note: We have been unable to trace S. CRISTINA, which may consist of a few farm buildings only - probably in the area East of BUSCA and West of National Road 20.

B. On 2nd June, 1943, 15 farm carts filled with arms and ammunition, formerly belonging to the LITTONIO and MONTESADA Divisions and now in the hands of the Communists, passed through BOSSARA coming from PLASCO and bound for LE GRANGE, on the slopes of MOUNT ST. BERNARD. (Note: LE GRANGE is apparently a small hamlet with a population of under 50 persons, situated approximately 1 km. North West of ARGENTERA (sheet 10 N.3553).

3. SUSA

The PEYRELO Brigade (GARIBOLDI Division), consisting of 150 men, has been partially demobilized, the remainder being engaged on authorized Police duties. The former leader of this unit, a young Tuscan, named LEBRO, is reported to have arranged for the hiding, in the area, of a large proportion of the arms previously held by the Brigade.

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h. VAL MAIZA AND VAL VARALPA

Action Party units and Commandets of the VAL MAIZA and VAL VARALPA have independently constituted in this area dumps of arms consisting of weapons taken from the LITORIO and MONTIWOZA Divisions. One such dump, composed of munitions from the depot at COMPLEJOS DI SALUTO, is at ROSSACA.

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Date: 27th June, 1945

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The attached report has been received from RIVER.

There is no evidence to show whether the formations mentioned in this report are, in fact, directed or approved by the Parties concerned.

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POLITICAL / MILITARY

ARMED FORMATIONS STILL MOBILISED IN PIEMONTE

1. In SAN GIORGIO CANAVESE, OZOGNA, RONCO and the surrounding districts there are groups of the MATTEOTTI Brigade commanded by a certain PIERO and armed with light and heavy weapons including bazookas. They make no attempt to disguise their intention not to disarm. PIERO himself is among Partisan leaders accused by the local population of having stolen considerable sums of money.
2. Two informants state independently that in the LANGHE area Communist Partisans are making every effort to hide arms and maintain themselves as mobilised units. Small dumps of weapons belonging to these elements are reported hidden in cemeteries in the area, especially in VAL UZZONE and at MONESIGLIO, GORTENO and ALBARO. These formations at present total between 600 and 800 men, but they hold sufficient stocks of arms, including automatic weapons, for between 12,000 and 1,400. These men never gather or move in groups of more than eight individuals. They appear well supplied with money and buy weapons whenever the opportunity offers. They talk of an eventual definite withdrawal to the mountains to await developments.

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A.C., ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 27th June, 1945

The attached notes on various political personalities in
North West Italy have been received from a member of the RIVER Group.

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ITALY

POLITICAL

NOTES ON VARIOUS POLITICAL PERSONALITIES IN NORTH WEST ITALY

A. ASTI

1. AVV. TESTA: Is head of the Socialist Party. The considerable local influence he enjoys is enhanced by his being an active Catholic.

2. AVV. FLAYOZZI: Is head of the Communist Party and mayor of ASTI. At one time he was secretary of the Clerical Party. He is intelligent and has considerable influence in ASTI.

3. AVV. BARACCO: Is head of the Christian Democrat Party and a member of the C.L.N. His personal influence, however, is small.

4. AVV. AMORINO: Is secretary of the Christian Democrat Party.

5. Dott BARBERO: Now a liberal, Dott. BARBERO was formerly a supporter of the Christian Democrats, by whom he is still greatly respected. At one time he was a Fascist Squadrista. He is a member of the ASTI C.L.N. Is a level-headed personality.

6. ROCCA: Is a leading Communist and the head of the 9th GABRIELDI Div. Formerly a mason, he is an uneducated person of violent temperament and extremist views. His following is confined to the more turbulent elements of the population. ROCCA is engaged to the daughter of a certain GUGLIMINETTI, who is estimated to be worth approximately eight

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7. SCOTTI: Is head of the Peasants Party - a new party with no clearly defined programme or tendencies. SCOTTI has a small following of his own but has little ability.

8. PRUDENTI: Is secretary of the Peasants Party, a violent left-wing extremist with a very bad personal reputation.

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2. COSTA BERNIERI: Is Editor of the CORRIERE ASTIGIANO. He is energetic, a member of the local C.L.N. and a fervent Communist, who enjoys considerable influence both in his own party and in other political circles.

B. ALESSANDRIA

1. AVV. VEGGI RENATO: Is head of the Communist Party and a member of the C.L.N. VEGGI was formerly a Fascist.

2. ROSSI CARLO: Is head of the Socialist Party and a member of the C.L.N. He is a baker by trade and enjoys a good personal reputation.

3. AVV. BRUSCA GIUSEPPE: Is head of the Christian Democrat Party and a member of the C.L.N.A.I.

4. MM. PIOVANO LIVIO: Is Prefect of ALESSANDRIA and head of the Action Party. He was a Deputy in 1922.

5. AVV. BADO: Is head of the Liberal Party but in actual fact is completely under the influence of the brothers MARIO and EDMONDO FERRARI.

6. TORRE: Is the mayor of ALESSANDRIA and a Socialist.
A Jewish banker.

2. ROSSI CARLO: Is head of the Socialist Party and a member of the C.L.N. He is a baker by trade and enjoys a good personal reputation.

3. AVV. BRUSCA GIUSEPPE: Is head of the Christian Democrat Party and a member of the C.L.N.A.I.

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5. AVV. EADO: Is head of the Liberal Party but in actual fact is completely under the influence of the brothers MARIO and EDMONDO FERRARI.

6. FORRE: Is the mayor of ALESSANDRIA and a Socialist. A Jewish banker.

7. BRUSA MARIA: Is deputy-mayor and a Christian Democrat. She is a worker employed by BORSALINO, capable and energetic.

NOTE: Source estimates the strength of the political parties in the provinces of ALESSANDRIA as follows:

(a) The BORSALINO factory and various boot and shoe factories:
80% Communists and Socialists - 20% Christian Democrats and Liberals.

(b) The complete province, excluding the factories (a) above:

40% Christian Democrats - 30% Communists, Socialists and Action Party (very few of last) - 30% Liberals.

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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 27th June, 1945

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to IV Corps?

The attached report on hidden dumps of arms has been
received from SAND, dated 15th June, 1945.

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HIDDEN DUMPS OF ARMS

A source considered reliable gives the following details of two reported hidden dumps of arms.

1. Elements of the 183rd GARIBOLDI (Partisan) Brigade have hidden weapons in the walls of a former air raid shelter in VIA BERGAMO, SARONNO. The operation is said to have been directed by a certain GERIANI AMBROGIO of SARONNO and to have taken place sometime before 12th June.
2. At the CAPRONI workshops at TALINDO area, formerly in the air raid shelter, have now been hidden in the forwarding warehouses ("magazzino spedizioni"). These arms are reported to consist of several cases of machine guns and approximately 100 cases of S.A. ammunition and 7 cases of hand-grenades.

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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 26th June, 1945

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The attached report on Milan Police Forces has
been received from SARD, dated 19th June, 1945.

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POLITICAL

MILAN POLICE FORCES

1. The Province of MILAN comprises, for the purposes of police control, an area bounded by but excluding VARESE, SIRMIONE, PAVIA and NOVARA.
2. The Police Forces available to the Italian Authorities for controlling this zone are approximately as follows:-
 - A. Under the control of the Prefect of MILAN:-
 - (1) 1,500 - 2,000 Carabinieri,
 - (11) 400 - 600 Financed Guards
 - B. Under the control of the Prefect of MILAN:-
 - (1) 200 Vigili Urbani - used mainly as traffic police and considered of little value in the maintenance of order.
 - (11) 3,000 (eventual total) Sicurezza Pubblica.
3. The Sicurezza Pubblica is a new, armed formation in the course of voluntary recruitment from among the Partisans. Local Italian authorities originally agreed that the force should consist of an equal number of recruits drawn from each of the parties, comprising the C.I.S.A.I. but to date 90 per cent. of the volunteers have proved to be Communists. Right Wing Parties have not supplied sufficient recruits to cover the numbers allotted to them.

(1) 1,500 - 2,000 Carabinieri,

(11) 400 - 600 Pinacore Squadra

8. Under the control of the Questore of Milan:-

(1) 300 Vigili Urbani - used mainly as traffic

police and considered of little value in the maintenance of order.

(11) 3,000 (eventual total) Sforzesca Mobilization.

3. The Sforzesca Mobilization is a new, armed formation in the course of voluntary recruitment from among the Partisans. Local Italian authorities originally agreed that the force should consist of an equal number of recruits drawn from each of the Parties, comprising the C.L.N.A.I. but to date 90 per cent. of the volunteers have proved to be Communists. Right Wing Partisans have not supplied sufficient recruits to cover the numbers allotted to them.

4. Foreseeing the necessity of eventually accepting recruits wherever offered in order to bring this force up to establishment, the Questore recently decided to take steps to prevent the Sforzesca Mobilization thus becoming a potential Party unit. He has, therefore, introduced into this body, as part of the Liberal quota, partisans from the Right wing autonomous formations, which were never a part of the C.L.N.A.I. He expects *figuralis* increment to ensure an even political balance within the force. So far there has been no protest at this manoeuvre.

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Date: 2nd June, 1945

for G. E. C. E.
MAJOR
I. B. B. B.

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Barnes
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1. The existence of a disguised mine shaft is reported in the suburb BASOVIZZA, 5 miles S.E. of TRIESTE, in which the Yugoslavs have thrown 200 bodies. The majority of them Italian civilians, but 120 German prisoners among them.
2. Source stated that some were shot before being thrown in, but some were thrown in alive.
3. Investigations begun by military authorities as soon as the Yugoslavs withdrew from the area confirm the presence of human bodies in the shaft.
4. Owing to the depth of the shaft and the condition of the bodies it is impossible at this stage to say how many can be exhumed.
5. Reports from the Bishop of Trieste and other sources allege there are many other similar pits throughout IS-RIA, but all these are in territory occupied by the Yugoslavs.

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To: Head of Chancery
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Copy: A. H. Ford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C. RMB

From: I.S.L.D.
Home Area Allied Command

Date: 22nd June, 1945

The attached report, dated 17.6.45, has been received
from H.H. Ford, Head of British clandestine C.I.A. Information
Service.

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I.S.L.D.
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Col. Bowman
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POLITICAL

1. C.I.N. Venezia Giulia intends shortly to break away from C.I.N. Alta Italia and to form a new organization called ENTE AUTONOMO.
2. The new organization will incorporate the local C.I.N. for PULA, TRIESTE, GORIZIA, UDINE and other towns in the area.
3. The C.I.N. for FRIULI is not included as C.I.N. leaders have decided it is impracticable to oppose Yugoslav claims to the town.
4. Policy is based on agreement reached at a meeting of December 31st, 1944. (for full text see NY 11/709, paragraph 3).
5. Main points are:
- 1) Autonomy for Venezia Giulia retaining constitutional link with Italy
 - 2) Juridical cultural and economic equality for Italians and Slovenes.
 - 3) TRIESTE to be a free port.
6. The following are leaders:
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| President: | Professor FURLANI, Action Party. Anticipated |
| | he will shortly be replaced by Doctor |

3. The C.D.M. for FIMB is not included as U.S.A. leaders have decided it is impracticable to oppose Yugoslav claims to the town.

4. Policy is based on agreement reached at a meeting of December 3th, 1944. (for full text see my 11/709, paragraph 2).

5. Main points are:

- 1) Autonomy for Venetia Giulia retaining constitutional link with Italy
- 2) Juridical cultural and economic equality for Italians and Slovenes.
- 3) THIESS to be a free port.

6. The following are leaders:

President:	Professor ROMANI, Action Party. Anticipated he will shortly be replaced by Doctor COSATTINI, Sindaco of Udine
Vice President:	FONDA, non-party. Commander of CORPO VOLONTARI
Socialist representative:	BRANDANTI
Action Party	
representatives:	CARLO FURLONG and MIAHI, latter probably most influential individual in organisation
Liberal Party	
representative:	MARROA
Christian Democrat	
representative:	FANTOLI

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Communist Party representative: JURAGA

7. Announcement of new organization and policy to be made within
a week.

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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 21st June, 1945

Attached is a report on the COMMITTEE OF LIBERATION ARMY/ALLIA
DALLA FORZATA CIVILIA, produced by Capt. Arnold MIAVI.

Comment by a British officer:

MIAVI is leader of the clandestine C.L.N. in TRIESTE, and a long-
standing member of the Committee is representative of the action Party.

He was one of the principal organisers of the military action
by the C.L.N. against the Germans which began on 30th April.

This summary of C.L.N. activities, is therefore, not disinterested,
but it is somewhat less tendentious and more authoritative than any other
report covering the same period obtained from C.L.N. sources. So far
as it has been possible to check them, the basic facts contained in it
are accurate.

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POLITICAL

COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE DELLA FAMIGLIA GIULIA. 25 July 1943

to 25 April, 1945

1. Foundation of the C.L.N.V.O.

The C.L.N.V.O. had its origin in the diverse activities of the anti-fascist parties which operated secretly before 25th July 1943 and its increasing freedom from that date up to 8th September of the same year.

2. At a meeting held on the morning of 5th September the representatives of the Italian Communist Party, the Action Party, the Christian Democrat Party, the Italian Liberal Party and the Italian Socialist Party joined forces and formed a committee, and offered to the Commander of the Italian Garrison, Gen. RASOVI, the support of the people of Trieste in hindering the Germans from occupying the city. At that time the committee was not aware that Gen. RASOVI was a traitor.

3. From 9th September the five parties worked together in harmony in the Italian Liberation Committee until their representatives were all arrested and deported to Germany. MUSOLINI (Action Party) and DISCHI (Communist Party) died in the concentration camp of DACHAU; the others - TREVASCO (Christian Democrat Party), MUSCHER (Socialist Party) and GAMBUSIO (Liberal party) - did not return.

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The Position of the Communist Party

4. The C.D.P. was immediately re-assembled with new representatives of all parties and continued its work until a second series of arrests and deportations made it interrupt all activities. FALLOIS (Communist Party) was shot. FALLOIS (Action Party) was sent to Dachau and FALLOIS (Christian Democrat Party) to Buchenwald.

5. When the C.D.P. resumed its activity, internal difficulties arose because the Communist Party delayed contacting its representative in the

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in the Committee. In the autumn of 1944 it became evident that the Communist Party had fallen under the control of the C.F.

(Overhodline Fronts) - a Slav association of a nationalist brand that flew the Communist flag of internationalism to deceive the lower classes and bend them to its own aims.

6. An Italo-Yugoslav formula for collaboration in Venezia Giulia was reached between the U.I.S. and the C.F. in September 1944, but it remained ineffective because the Slavs did not participate in practice. In October Pina GUSTICH, who had at length been nominated as the Communist member, proposed that a representative of the C.F. should be elected to the U.I.S. The members of the other parties preferred to maintain the existing agreement for Italo-Yugoslav co-operation and held three meetings so as to put this agreement into effect. The Slav delegates did not, however, present themselves.

7. On 17th October 1944 the Italian Communist Party (Independent section of Trieste) made an appeal to all anti-fascists, and in particular to its own associates, to join the Slav IX Corps, categorically saying that the territorial question had already been decided by the Allies and that the only political action required by genuine anti-fascists was to assist Yugoslavians, to which this

remained ineffective because the Slavs did not participate in
negotiations. In October 1944, the Slavs, who had at length been
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the U.S. should be elected to the C.L.N. The members of the other
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genuine anti-fascists was to assist Yugoslavia, to which this
territory had been assigned. It was thus revealed that the local
Communist movement had become only the "vanguard" of the C.F. and
an instrument of the Yugoslav policy of annexation.

The Anti-Fascist Italian Party Agreement

8. On 24th December 1944 the members of all the anti-fascist Italian
Parties, except the Communist Party, concluded the following agreement
which was immediately approved by the representatives of the C.L.N.
for Northern Italy:

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* The Italian representatives of the Action Party, of the Christian Democrat Party and of the Liberal Party, as members of the C.I.N. which is organizing the struggle against the Nazis and Fascists in Venezia Giulia, have met in Trieste on 9th November 1944 to discuss national, political and economic problems relating to this region. They have unanimously reached the following agreement:-

- 1) The above parties consider sacred and inalienable the union with Italy obtained in these territories with the greatest sacrifices of heroic blood. The justice of this union was acknowledged by the German Government in the first world war which concluded the cycle of our war of regeneration. For this reason they consider that the incorporation of Venezia Giulia in Italy was a question decided in the interests of the European community as a whole.
- 2) The same parties, having set themselves to remove every obstacle to collaboration between Italians and Yugoslavs, support a policy designed to remove any cause for irredentist movement, either Slav or Italian. Such a policy, based on justice and impartiality and without violating the rights of internationality, should be the true and concrete realization of the Four Freedoms proclaimed by the Atlantic Charter.
- 3) As the national problems of Venezia Giulia and the economic problem of the future of Trieste and Fiume find their

sacrifices of heroic blood. The justice of this union was acknowledged by the Western democracies in the first world war which concluded the cycle of our era of regeneration. For this reason they considered that the incorporation of Venezia Giulia in Italy was a question decided in the interests of the European community as a whole.

2) The same parties, having set themselves to remove every obstacle to collaboration between Italians and Yugoslavs, support a policy designed to remove any cause for irredentist sentiment, either Slav or Italian. Such a policy, based on justice and impartiality and without violating the rights of either nationality, should be the first and concrete realization of the four freedoms proclaimed by the Atlantic Charter.

3) As the national problems of Venezia Giulia and the economic problem of the future of Trieste and Plava find their definitive solution only in self-government, the above-mentioned parties support a policy of the greatest measure of autonomy for Venezia Giulia in accordance with cooperative principles and the political and economic needs of the area.

4) The above parties will support:-

- a) The independent administration of Venezia Giulia and of its Council, that is administration by the Giulian people directly concerned, naturally always respecting the national principles of **1833**;

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- b) The absolute juridical, cultural and economic equality of Italian, Slovene and Croatian citizens, whose cultural and linguistic peculiarities must be safeguarded by the right to use their own language, to found their own schools and to maintain their cultural, religious, sporting and economic associations.
- c) The peaceful co-operation of both ethnological groups in an order in which minority problems will not exist and in which none of them will consider itself equal and not inferior to the other.

5) The above parties will maintain as their particular duty the development of the economic and financial potential of Trieste, the natural centre of the Giulian region, whose efficiency is the essential condition of life and prosperity, not only for the population of the city, but also for that of the whole region, which is deficient in natural resources. The same parties will assist the transformation of Trieste into a real free port, that is a free outlet for all countries and governed by a Port Corporation, in which the municipality, the public and the economic corporations concerned shall all participate. In this Port Corporation the shipping companies, industrial and commercial firms, both national and foreign, will have an

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free port, that is a free outlet for all countries and governed
by a Port Corporation, in which the municipality, the public
and the economic corporations concerned will all participate.
In this Port Corporation the shipping companies, industrial and
commercial firms, both national and foreign, will have an
essential part. Through such a Port Corporation each
concerned will obtain warrants for free navigation and
industrial and commercial activities in Trieste. In this way,
in civilized democratic Italy, the commerce of all
nations will find hospitality and freedom, and the postwar
settlement of Central Europe will be assisted.

signed

Kreols klani (action Party)	Don Alexandr Nikolayev (Christian Demo-
Ukraini (Liberal Party)	80001 (Socialist Party)
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Relations between the C.L.N., C.G., and the C.F.

9. In the meantime, the representative of the Communist Party in the C.L.N. took part in only one meeting and after that he was not seen for a long time. He had, however, many private exchanges of views with Spicola Miliati. At the instance of the Action Party and Christian Democrat Party, a meeting of all parties, including the Communist, was arranged, with the aim of making a final effort to remove obstacles to collaboration. The arrest of Miliati on 8th March, 1945, however, made this meeting impossible. Miliati and other members and collaborators of the Committee were imprisoned and underwent the most cruel tortures at the hands of the fascist police; Paolo Vitti of the Christian Democrat Party was shot, while the others were released after a week because the fascists gained the impression that they were losing ground. Don Mazzali, along with other political prisoners, was freed on 30th April, 1945 on the outbreak of the insurrection organized by the C.L.N.
10. At the end of March the C.L.N. was reorganized in its fourth form and resumed its activity in full: this time especially in the military sphere, in addition to the political. In view of the impending armed action for liberation. Unfortunately the Communists - now completely in the hands of the nationalist Slav C.F. - continued requests made by the C.L.N. to rejoin the Committee, in conformity with the instructions of the Communist Party in Italy.

11. In the meantime, negotiations were again held with the C.F. A delegate

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11. In the meantime, negotiations were again held with the O.F. A delegate of the latter met on 10th April two representatives of the C.L.S. and a formula for military and political collaboration was agreed to achieve liberation from the common enemy. The project for an Italo-Slav Committee of Liberation, composed of seven Italians and three Slav members, to operate in Trieste only was approved by the C.L.S. The C.L.S. took this step to achieve an agreement, even though the Slav percentage was not 3/10 but only 1/10 of the local population.

12. During the night of 13th April the O.F. and its dependent associations, among which was the Independent section of the Communist Party, now officially separated from the Italian Communist Party, held a full /

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sitting with the participation of two of the C.L.N.'s representatives as observers. The constitution of a mixed committee of eleven members was proposed, eight of which were to be Italians and three Yugoslavs, but with the proviso that five of the Italian members should be appointed by the G.P.

13. It is plain that agreement to the constitution of such a Committee would have involved acknowledgement of the annexation of Trieste to Yugoslavia. The C.L.N., therefore, refused the proposal, but so as not to break with the G.P. presented the following counter-proposal:-
 - a) Formation of a mixed Committee of seven Italians and three Slavs.
 - b) The Italian representation to consist of an Independent President, an Independent secretary and the five representatives of all the Parties, including the Communist.
 - c) The Slav representatives to have the places of Vice President and Vice Secretary in the Committee.

14. Both parties maintained their points of view until 24th April when GUSTICH, the representative of the Communist Party, asked to be admitted to a meeting of the C.L.N. as an intermediary. An agreement was reached on the basis that the number of members of the mixed Committee proposed by the C.L.N. should be raised to eleven, so as to increase by one member the Communist representation.

Origin of the GRAS

15. On 24th April the Communist Party presented a written answer to the C.L.N.

On April 24, 1948, the C.F. presented the following counter-proposals:-

- a) formation of a mixed Committee of seven Italians and three Slavs.
- b) The Italian representation to consist of an independent President, an independent secretary and the five representatives of all the Parties, including the Communist.
- c) The Slav representatives to have the places of Vice President and Vice Secretary in the Committee.

14. Both parties maintained their points of view until 24th April when GURICH, the representative of the Communist Party, asked to be admitted to a meeting of the C.I.M. as an intermediary. An agreement was reached on the basis that the number of members of the mixed Committee proposed by the C.I.M. should be reduced to eleven, so as to leave one member the Communist representation.

Origin of the SLAIS

15. On 28th April the Communist Party gave a written answer to the C.I.M. affirming, in harmony with the C.F. that it recognised no Committee except the Italian-Slav Anti-Fascist Executive Committee. This Committee, in which not even one Italian of Trieste took part, was formed "in extremis" with the sole purpose of promoting the Yugoslav claims. The representative of the Communist Party, now altogether committed to the Slavs, declared that only the Communist Party had the right to carry out political activity in FANZLA GIULIA.

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16. On 20th April, while the U.D.R. was completing preparations for the impending action by the patriots, the delegate of the 1st IX Corps (the armed formation of the A.R.) proposed the signing of an agreement regarding the whole of Venezia Giulia whereby a mixed territory committee should be formed on an equal basis. Despite all that had gone before, the U.D.R. to demonstrate its goodwill, accepted the proposition in principle. As soon, however, became obvious that the negotiations had no other aim than to delay the beginning of the insurrection prepared by the Italian Committee which has been planned to take place on the afternoon of 25th April and set at dawn on the following day so occurred in the event.

the U.S.S. to demonstrate its capability, accepted the projection principle.

It was, however, because obvious that the negotiations had no other aim than to delay the beginning of the investigations prepared by the

Italian Committee which had been planned to take place on the afternoon of 23rd April and not at dawn on the following day as occurred in the event.

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To: Head of Chancery
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ROME

Copy: A. Helford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C., ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 21st June, 1945

The attached report has been received through PERCULANT from ILLSBURG, member of Trieste clandestine C.L.M. and Head of C.L.M. Information Service, dated 3th June, 1945.

Comment by a British officer:

This document, in Italian and Slovene, was distributed to Yugoslav Army formations. It is believed to Brigade H.Q. level, in the third week of May. The Italian and Slovene texts correspond. It was proved impossible to abstract the original from S.Q. 13 Div. but copies of the texts were made at my request by an agent under ILLSBURG's control who is employed on clerical duties in S.Q. 13 Div.

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ITALY

POLITICAL

TEXT OF MEMORANDUM CIRCULATED BY YUGOSLAV GENERAL STAFF

TO SUBORDINATE HEADQUARTERS UNITS.

PARTISANS

Fascism which we have fought with all our strength in being reborn in another guise, and is seeking to wrest from us what we have won with our sweat and heroism. In the ranks of the British and New Zealanders there are Fascist reactionaries who are carrying out active propaganda so that the British and American Governments may be able to evict us from the city of Trieste, won with our blood after unconceivable sacrifices.

PARTISANS

Remember past times and our past struggles and undertake a total war against the grim forces of Fascism who are exacting the taxes of the allied soldiers. Combat their companions and their supporters, and render their lives difficult, as you once used to do to the Germans. The people MUST have its liberty, and until Fascism is completely destroyed our homes will still be in danger of being devastated by the war which the Fascists are trying to prolong.

PARTISANS

Listen to the voice of Greater Slovenia which is addressing you and follow

Fascist reactionaries who are carrying out active propaganda so that the British and American Governments may be able to evict us from the city of Trieste, won with our blood after unconceivable sacrifices.

PARTISANS

Remember past times and our past struggles and undertake a total war against the grim forces of Fascism who are among the ranks of the allied soldiers. Combat their companions and their supporters, and render their lives difficult, as you once used to do to the Germans. The people MUST have its liberty, and until Fascism is completely destroyed our homes will still be in danger of being devastated by the war which the Fascists are trying to prolong.

PARTISANS

Listen to the voice of Greater Slovenia which is addressing you and follow our Marshal Tito at the side of Great Russia for the conquest of the greatest good which is called COMMUNISM.

Long live Tito

Long live Stalin

Long live Russia

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SUBJECT: Political Report.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
PICHONNE Region.

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The attached report received from a Secret source is forwarded for your information.

For the Chief Commissioner:

E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SUBJECT: Political Report.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
VENKIE Region. 244

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E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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To: Head of Chancery
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ROME
Copy: A. Halford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C... ROME
From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command
Date: 21st June, 1945

The attached report, dated 1/7 June, 1945. has been
received from the same source as our 11/659.

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letter to Picini's Rep.*

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ITALY
POLITICAL
FRENCH ACTIVITIES IN N.E. ITALY

1. PROPAGANDA
AOSTA VALLEY

There is no organized system for the dissemination of De Gaulist propaganda in this area. An intense propaganda campaign is, however, being carried out by individuals; who are distributing pamphlets and papers for signature declaring preference for the French. Some of the latter have been signed against payment of 1,000 lire. French propaganda is gaining most success amongst the youth of the area and the farming community.

2. VERBALENA AND ROJA VALLEYS

An intense French propaganda campaign is being carried on and the population, after receiving presents of money and food, have reacted strongly in favour of the French.

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Copy: A. Melford, Esq.
Political Section
A.C., ROME

From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 21st June, 1945

The attached report was obtained by a British officer
from a leading Friulian industrialist and financier of the OSOPO.

*Copies a hand full
in letter to
Venezia*

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ITALY

THE PRESENT ECONOMIC CRISIS AND UNEMPLOYMENT AS POLITICAL FACTORS IN

THE PRIULI

1. From the political and economic point of view the PRIULI may be

divided into two zones:-

a) CARSIA AND UPPER PRIULI

b) LOWER PRIULI

2. CARSIA AND UPPER PRIULI

Communist propaganda is received here with considerable sympathy. The reason for this being that a great part of the population has already been in contact with foreign workers' organizations composed of Socialists or Communists.

NOTE: The attached map shows the most active centres of Communist propaganda in the PRIULI.

3. LOWER PRIULI

The population of this zone, with the exception of a few over-populated centres such as PORTOCRUANO and S. GIUSEPPE DI SOGARO, is clerical and of conservative tendencies.

4. It consists of agricultural workers of the "mezzadria" type (peasants landowners who work on a 50/50 basis with the landowner) and of small landowners.

5. This is the most fertile part of the PRIULI and the one which has suffered

the reason for this being that a great part of the population has already been in contact with foreign workers' organizations composed of Socialists or Communists.

NOTE: The attached map shows the most active centres of Communist propaganda in the FAHUI.

3. LOWER FAHUI

The population of this zone, with the exception of a few over-populated centres such as SONTONGHANO and S. GI. VAMU DI SOGARO, is clerical and of conservative tendencies.

4. It consists of agricultural workers of the "Hemulop" type (poor landowners who work on a 50/50 basis with the landowner) and of small landowners.

5. This is the most fertile part of the FAHUI and the one which has suffered the least from food restrictions. Most of the landowners have participated in black market activities and have earned considerable sums of money.

6. It is evident that the majority of the population would stand to lose under a Communist system.

7. The following incident illustrates the hostility of the local agricultural workers. A group of Communists of the GARIBOLDI Div approached a certain landowner of SONTONGHANO, who was a member of the landowners working on his land, and asked him for an ox and a quantity of corn. The landowner told them that he regretted that he could only give them half an

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ex and half the amount of corn requested because, he explained, everything on his land was jointly owned with the peasants, and it was therefore entirely up to the peasants to give the remaining half of the supplies requested. The peasant landowners, who until then had expressed Communist ideas, refused to give their half, and ceased to wear the red scarf.

8. It is evident that the regions which had suffered most are CATHIA and UPERA THIEL.

9. Unemployment is steadily growing, owing to the impossibility of emigrating, and the steady flow of workers returning from Germany.

10. The situation in the cement works is unfortunately also the situation during the German occupation, when everybody was put to work. These unemployed are fertile ground for Communist propaganda, which the immediate re-employment of these people would be the most effective means of checking.

11. Means of re-employment

Source has spoken to MAJULAKOTI, one of the leading industrialists of the area (who was imprisoned by the Germans on the grounds of sabotaging the war effort), shortly after he had attended a meeting of industrialists held in UPTON on 14 June 1945. In the course of the meeting the local economic problems were discussed and the following suggestions made:-

- a) All industries should reopen and, if necessary, run at a loss, at least until the political situation has cleared, thus

9. Unemployment is steadily growing, owing to the impossibility of emigrating, and the steady flow of workers leaving East Germany.

10. The situation in the eastern zone is undoubtedly very bad. The situation during the German occupation, when we had to work, there were unemployed and fertile ground for Communist propaganda, which the immediate re-employment of these people could be the most effective means of checking.

11. Means of re-employment

Source is a speech to MAULAKOV, one of the leading industrialists of the zone (who was imprisoned by the Germans on the grounds of sabotaging the war effort), shortly after he had attended a meeting of industrialists held in Tübingen on 4th June 1945. In the course of the meeting the local economic problems were discussed and the following suggestions made:-

a) All industries should reopen and, if necessary, run at a loss, at least until the political situation has cleared, thus absorbing a certain proportion of the unemployed.

b) The Allies should help and encourage this attitude by supplying transport, evacuating troops billeted in factories etc..

NOTE: The example given by this industrialist is within British AIFV are at present occupied by certain troops. This establishment could employ 400 - 500 men, and other billeting accommodation is available close by.

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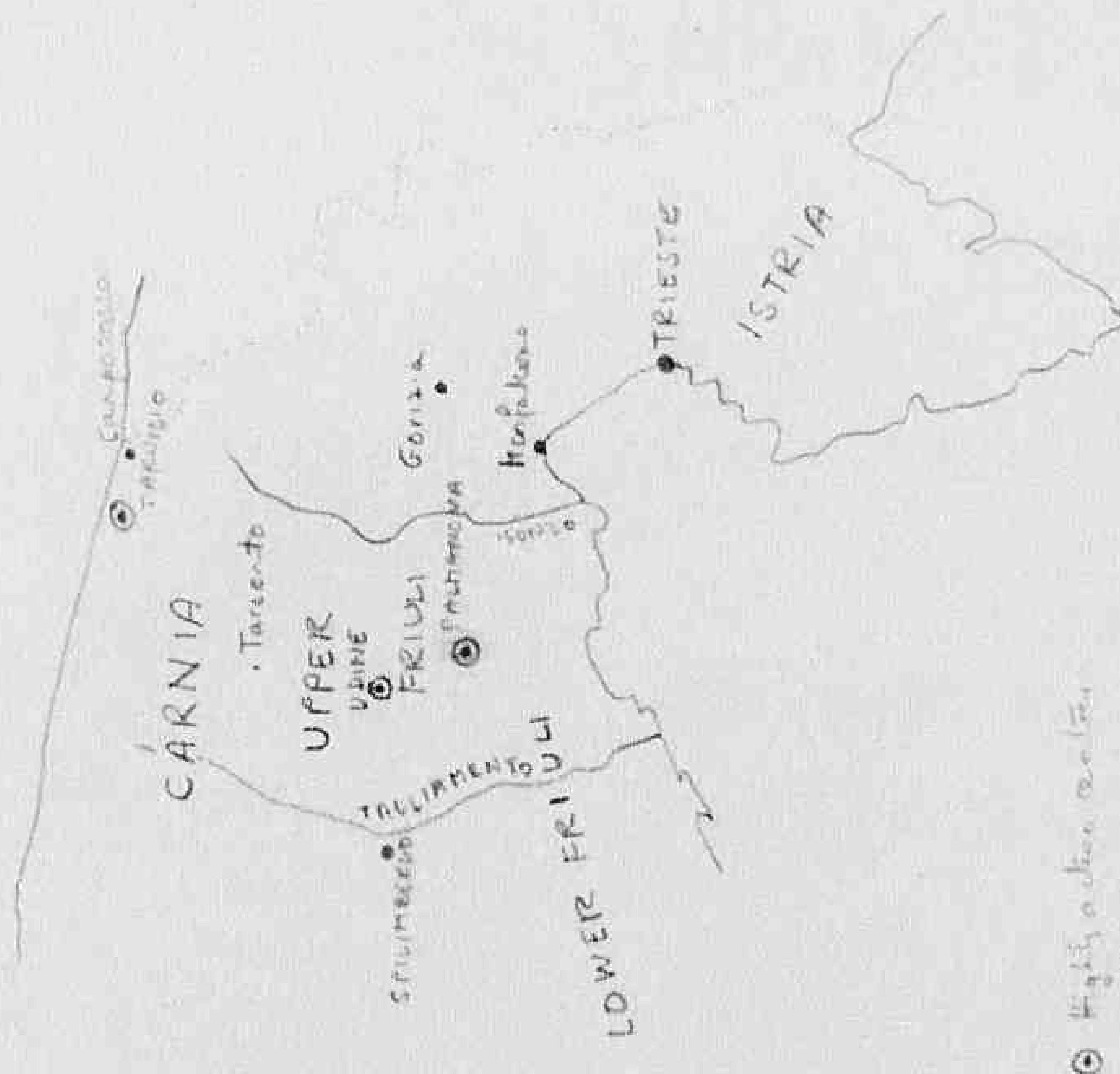
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12. Owing to lack of transport the exchange of goods between Lower and Upper PHUMI is negligible. If this continues the food situation in the latter area will become desperate, as they rely entirely on the agricultural produce of Lower PHUMI. In exchange for agricultural supplies GAROLA and Upper PHUMI would supply much needed timber for building purposes, fuel etc.. This would encourage the re-planting of samalas and the re-employment of a certain percentage of the population.
13. It is essential that the problems of the present situation should be given immediate attention if it is wished to avoid a repetition of the events which occurred after the 1914-1918 war. The spreading of harmful propaganda and resultant unwillingness in this area to accept the presence of the Allies.

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To: Head of Chancery
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Copy: A. Melford, Esq.,
Political Section
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JUN 26 1945

From: I.S.L.B.
Some Area Allied Command

Date: 19th June, 1945

The attached report has been received from TRUCHELT,
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Information Service.

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I.S.L.B. 1319*

ITALY

POLITICAL

MOVIMENTO SEPARATISTA GIULANO

1. A movement, not connected with C.I.N. called MOVIMENTO SEPARATISTA GIULANO is beginning activity.
2. It has produced a pamphlet on policy not yet distributed of which we will supply a copy in due course.
3. It demands autonomous THINGS and states that its aim is to live in "perfect collaboration with Italy, Yugoslavia and the Austrian Republic".
4. It appeals to the British and Americans for assistance in realizing this aim.
5. The sponsors of this movement are not known but they may be connected with the newspaper IL MIRABILITA. The movement is reported by another source as the project of a group of professional men in THINGS who are believed to be working along similar lines.

3. It demands autonomous THURIST and states that its aim is to live in perfect collaboration with Italy, Yugoslavia and the Austrian Republic.

4. It appeals to the British and Americans for assistance in realizing this aim.

5. The sponsors of this movement are not known but they may be connected with the newspaper IL KURAB-FISTA. The movement is reported by another source as the project of a group of professional men in THURIST who are believed to be working along similar lines.

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Subject: Political Reports.

To: SCAG, XIII Corps.

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The attached report, received from a Secret Source, is forwarded for your information.

/s/ E. T. Arden
Brigadier, *W. C. C.*
Executive Commissioner.

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MOVIMENTO SEPARATISTA GHILOSO.

1. A movement, not connected with GIN called MOVIMENTO SEPARATISTA GHILOSO is beginning activity.
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3. It demands autonomous TRIESTE and states that its aim is to live in "perfect collaboration with Italy, Yugoslavia and the Austrian Republic".
4. It appeals to the British and Americans for assistance in realizing this aim.
5. The sponsors of this movement are not known but they may be connected with the newspaper IL SEPARATISTA. The movement is reported by another source as the project of a group of professional men in TRIESTE who are believed to be working along similar lines.

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20 June 1945.

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TO : Regional Commissioner,
VIRALIA Region.

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E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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To: Head of Security
British Embassy
Rome

Copy: A. Halford, Esq.,
Political Section
J.G. RMC

From: I.S.L.D.
South Area Allied Command

Date: 21st June, 1945

Attached is a report on the general situation in
TRIESTE after the Yugoslav withdrawal.

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[Signature]
Major
I.S.L.D.

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Subject following is general situation Trieste after Yugoslav withdrawal. Source are:

1. Bishop of Trieste

2. Informant, sub-source Doctor TULLIO, member of Action Party and Gallicani, former secretary of Prefecture.

3. Evidence accumulating that Yugoslav before withdrawal made extensive preparation sabotage Allied Military Government.

4. Approximately 5,000 civilians left behind for this purpose in addition 1,000 troops still in city area and still showing no intention leaving.

5. Civilians organized as follows:

1. Personnel of civil administration offices
2. Guardia del Popolo, Yugoslav sponsored police
3. Vigili del Fuoco.

6. Civil administration personnel to direct policy and other 2 organizations to implement it. Fair number individuals believed belong to OZNA and political branch of Yugoslav Army among civil administration personnel and other 2 organizations largely composed of Yugoslav soldiers in civilian dress and Italian communists under Yugoslav direction

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7. Guardia del Popolo most formidable* obstacle to Allied Military Government. Estimated 1,000 strong. Large proportion of

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* Check source

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hooligan and some criminal elements. Undisciplined and no police training. In possession of considerable quantity arms and with access to numerous dumps in city. Specific locations passed to us as they are reported.

G. Programs of sabotage as follows:

1. Dissemination of Communist and anti-allied propaganda.
2. Organization of Communist demonstrations
3. Intimidation of non-Communist elements.
4. Physical sabotage of public utilities.
5. Obstruction of allied officials.
6. Organization of strikes
7. Coup d'etat by Communists in middle July

Last item from one source facilitating only.

H. Intention effect strike in harbor in late May increase beginning to-day. If this successful general strike in near future possibly tomorrow. Confirmed by Allied Military Government was increase just demanded by harbor master.

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1. Organization Communist Administration
2. Intimidation of non-Communist elements.
3. Possible removal of public relations
4. Intimidation of officials
5. Organization of strikes
6. Group directed by Communist in middle July

Last item from one source (unidentified only).

- 27 8. Intensive effort strike in summer in large scale increase beginning today. If this successful general strike in near future possibly tomorrow. Confirmed by official Italian Government since last week just completed by interview source.

1. Key note of all propaganda to be consistently Italian and Communist and Yugoslav activities to be discouraged. Funding already in fact required.

3. Local organization required in this new city house of Communist SUBJECT AT CLEVELAND has a daily meeting held between 1945 and Yugoslav civil administration officials and branches del popolo. Harshness source mentioned told stated a requirement of workers unions and Yugoslav believed source to S.S.V.U.

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To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
ROME

Copy: A. Hailford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C. Rome

From: I.S.L.O.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 14th June, 1945

ICOLA PATRIA MOVEMENT IN RHODE

1. According to Genie DEL ROSO, a landowner living in the UDINE area, and a representative with the movement, the ICOLA PATRIA Movement which supported a policy of autonomy for RHODE until absorbed down by the fascists in 1922, is now resuming its activities with the same programme.
2. One of the leaders of the movement is DEL RIANDO, the son of the man who edited LA PATRIA DEL RHODE for the former movement.
3. DEL ROSO states that the movement will not be opposed by the I.S.L.O. and that support will come from the landowners who see in autonomy for RHODE the only chance of avoiding heavy post-war taxation.

ICOMLA PATRIA MOVEMENT IN CHINA

1. According to Omer DEL TORO, a landowner living in the HUNAN area and a sympathizer with the movement, the ICOMLA PATRIA Movement which supported a policy of autonomy for CHINA until closed down by the fascists in 1932, is now resuming its activities with the same programme.
2. One of the leaders of the movement is DR. SIAROO, the son of the man who edited LA PATRIA and ZHIGUI for the former movement.
3. DEL TORO states that the Movement will not be opposed by the C.I.M. and that support will come from the landowners who see in autonomy for CHINA the only chance of avoiding heavy post war taxation.

Mr. Benton informed.

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To: Head of Consular
British Embassy
ROME

Copy: A. Halford, Maj.
Political Section
A.C. NMS

From: I.S.L.B.
Home Area Allied Command

Date: 14th June, 1945

The attached report has been received from a British
officer in Sicily.

Mr. Benton informed.

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ITALY

POLITICAL

Communist Activities in N.E. Italy

Venezia Region

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1. Reports from several OSOPPO and independent sources state that Communist demonstrations have been planned to take place in numerous localities in SANSIA and Upper FRIULI in the course of the present month.
2. Communist propaganda is received with sympathy in these areas owing to the following factors.
 - a) A considerable proportion of the population is already in touch with foreign worker associations.
 - b) Growing unemployment owing to idle factories, flow of workers returning from Germany and impossibility of move to other areas.
 - c) Bad food situation owing to absence of transport to take food from Lower FRIULI to these areas.
3. The most effective means of combatting Communist propaganda would be the provision by Allied Governments of transport and of facilities for factories to re-open.

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Copied: A. Halford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C., ROME

From: I.S.I.D.
Home Area Allied Command

Date: 14th June, 1945

The attached report has been received from THOMAS,
and source, ILLBOND, Head of British C.I.B. Information Service.

Mr. Benton informed

Major
I.S.I.D.

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ITALY

POLITICAL

TRIESTE C.I.M. PROPAGANDA IN VENEZIA GIULIA

1. On the Yugoslav withdrawal the C.I.M. intend to resume activity with the following propaganda policy:
- a) Trieste to become a free port
 - b) Plebiscite under Allied auspices on the future of Venezia Giulia
 - c) Autonomy for the area retaining constitutional link with Italy but with equal legal and cultural rights for the Slovenes.
2. Policy on Istria is not yet decided. A fair proportion of C.I.M. members favour abandoning claim to the area to placate the Yugoslavs and concentrating on the programme to retain Venezia Giulia.

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JUN 20 1945

To: Head of Embassy
British Embassy
RMA

Copy: A. Halford, Sec.,
Political Section
A.C., RMA

From: I.S.I.O.
Head of Allied Command

Date: 14th June, 1945

The attached report was obtained from RMAI, London
of 14th June 1945.

This is why
I am so anxious
to get exact
information
on what has been and
is now going on.

Major
I.S.I.O.

Mr. Benton informed.

[Signature]
.. June 17

POLITICAL

ITALY / YUGOSLAVIA

ARRESTS BY YUGOSLAVS IN TRIESTE

1. Arrests by Yugoslavs for the city and suburb areas of Trieste during the first week after the Allied entry is estimated at 7,000.
2. The figure for the period May 10th to June 5th is estimated at 15,000.
3. Executions for the whole province of Trieste during the period May 3rd to June 7th are estimated at 6,000.
4. Prisoners are kept in five locations in Trieste and in concentration camps at Biadene della Battaglia, Gorizia, Udine, Trieste, and Vipiteno.
5. Releases from arrest during the period May 1st to June 5th are estimated at 3,000.
6. A large proportion of Italian fascists are among prisoners released. There have been very few releases of Italian left wing sympathizers.
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Chief Commissioner

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ITALY

POLITICAL

11/17/1945

1. ROBERTO FANTINI stated that he has convinced the Party and almost the entire left wing, that the British Government is not the sole support of Bonomi and the only reason for the existence of tension.
2. He claims that all the left wing, whilst appreciating the need for closest possible collaboration with the British feels that the United States show clear comprehension of and sympathy for the Italian people's claim to be left alone to work out their own destiny.
3. FANTINI is obviously perturbed at what he terms the British forcing of a European nation into United States' sphere of influence by their refusal to show the same comprehension as the United States.
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6. PASTORI is extremely battling with other left wingers who are in the United States the realization of their hopes for an early election of the withdrawal of Allied forces. He is taking this action not because he does not want this, but because he believes it impossible for Italy to recover except in British care.

7. PASTORI expects no constructive aid from Russia and obviously thinks Russia's only interest in Italy is to use her as a bargaining factor with Britain and the United States.

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8. He states the presence of large numbers of Italian Americans in the United States is the reason for the purely temporary U.S. Government playing fairy godmother whilst the British Government feels the Italian people must bear full responsibility for the Fascist regime and show themselves capable of liquidating this debt. MUSOLINI feels this is a reasonable attitude and states the patriotic activities in the North, the Northern insurrection and the damage caused to Italian towns during the war in Italy, are first instalments but he regards the miserable showing of the south as a further debt to be paid off.

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Ref: 942/EC.

16 June 45.

Subject: Recruitment for Communist Party from Army.

To: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MIA).

Attached please find for your information a report from a secret source on recruitment for Communist party from the Italian Army.

E. Talbot

✓ Brigadier
Executive Commissioner.

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ITALY.

POLITICAL.

RECRUITING FOR THE COMMUNIST PARTY FROM THE ARMY.

1. A usually reliable source who has a contact in the Communist Party reports that the Communists are now approaching a number of N.C.Os in the Italian Army with the object of recruiting them for the party.
2. According to a statement made by one of the NCOs to source the Communists are offering all interested in their proposition the equivalent of their Army pay as an additional income against a promise of secrecy and clandestine registration on the part of the NCOs.

3 June 45.

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Ref: 524/RC.

16 June 45.

Subject: Italo-Cleveland Anti-Fascist Council.

To: SAC
XIII Corps.

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Attached for information is copy of a letter from a
secret organization, enclosing details of the above Council.

E. T. [Signature]

✓ Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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3 June 45.

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STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF DALLAS.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO.

A seguito della notizia di ieri sull'allargamento del Comitato esecutivo di Trieste, compianto allo scopo di renderlo meglio atto ad assolvere i compiti che gli spettano nella normalizzazione dell'avita cittadina, siamo oggi i nodi dei componenti, con l'individuazione della loro organizzazione nazionale e politica e della loro professione. La organizzazione del Comitato esecutivo di Trieste, per se stessa, la profonda democraticità di esso, in quanto vi sono in prevalenza gli italiani e in esso numero gli sloveni, ed esso organo di insieme lavoratori del braccio e della mente, come cittadini e industriali giovani e donne, senza distinzioni di tendenza politica. Un tale Comitato rappresenta certamente una città come la nostra e siamo certi di' esso sarà all'altezza dei suoi compiti nella fase di transizione che va dalla vecchia liberalizzazione alla completa normalizzazione, che ci auguriamo quanto più presto. A tale organismo rappresentativo popolare la cittadineria deve però dare tutto il suo appoggio, perché questo sia tutti perfettamente con ordine economico e disciplinato all'opera rinnovatrice, tanto più essa sarà rapida e sicura di risultati positivi.

Production:

dott. CRISTOFORO, medico condotto italiano;

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Vice President: Gustafsson *Gustaf*, professor at studies, president of the Communist Italian:

Vice President

Vine Production: Stain Free, peaches or other allowed;

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Elaboración: Unio NDI, modificada sobre la OP Alameda.

Notified:

Montali:
 Fogliare HNO₃, laggiorno all'acqua, partito
 socialista italiano; italiano;

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Both. Portugalia multiplex novata 07.11.1990.

President: Dott. Lucio Liguori, medico dermatologo italiano;

Vice President: Antonio Gennaro, professore di storia, partito comunista italiano;

Vice President: Mario Pini, economista di lavoro;

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ITALY

POLITICAL

16 JUN 1945

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To: Head of Chancery
British Embassy
ROME

Copy: A. Malford, Esq.,
Political Section
A.C. RMR

From: F.S.I.D.
South Area Allied Command

Date: 3rd June, 1945

W.D. 213

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3/6/45

Copy to Mr. Benton

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Major
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 istituzioni di tendenza politica. Delle Qualifiche sono ad esempio
 una lista dove in ordine di importanza sono elencati: del resto
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 amministrativa, che ci sorregge quanto la struttura, e che organizza
 relazioni di tipo di stato in istituzioni che sono sotto il suo controllo.
 Questo quanto alle istituzioni che sono sotto il controllo delle istituzioni, queste
 istituzioni, anche per via dei fatti e della struttura politica.

Presidenti: Dott. Jacinto Roberto, amico personale italiano, italiano;

Vice Presidenti: Dott. Roberto, presidente del partito
 comunista italiano;

Vice Presidenti: Stato, presidente di partito;

Presidenti: Dott. Roberto, presidente del partito
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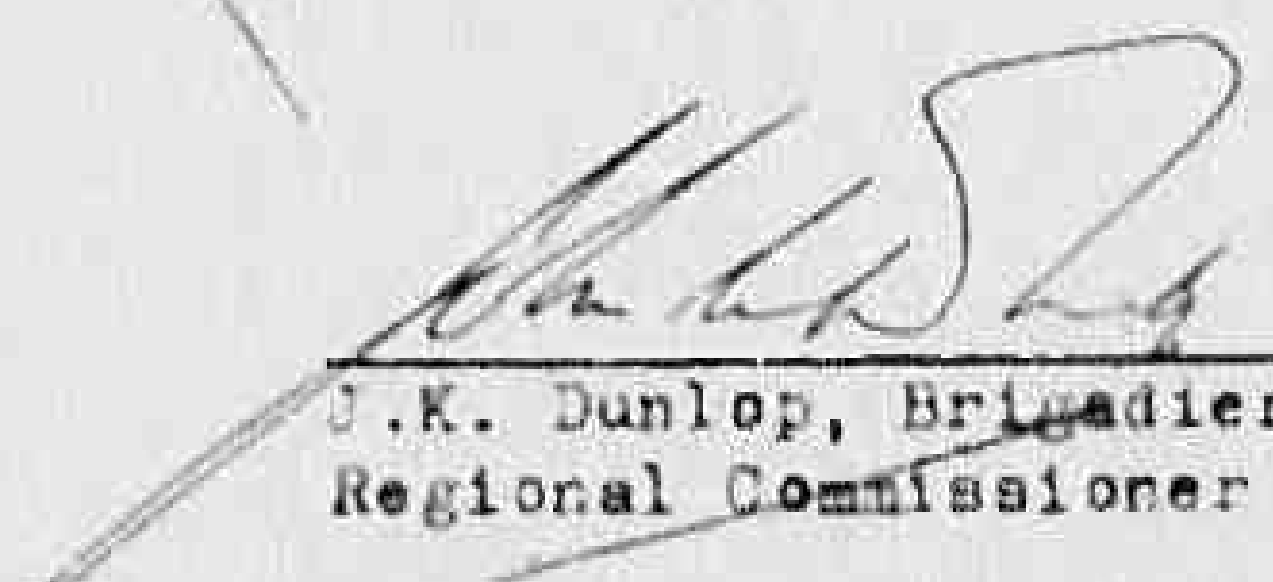
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Trieste, and 542/46/EC political report, all
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From: I. S.W.
Home Area Allied Command

Date: 11th June, 1945

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The attached report has been obtained from
a Director of LLOYD THISTING, dated 7.6.45.

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POLITICAL

1. The Yugoslav authorities yesterday requested CROATIA to transmit to the Union of Shipowners, Trieste, a scheme for all Trieste owned shipping to be used forthwith on coastal traffic under the auspices of a Committee nominated by the Yugoslavs.
2. The Committee is to consist of CROATIA, HARTWICK, a large shipping agent, and BARTIST on agent of small motor vessels. None owns any shipping now in port.
3. The Union of Shipowners asked the following questions to gain time:
 - 1) Under what flag are the ships supposed to sail
 - 2) Who would insure ships against loss or damage. The Trieste insurance market is not working.
 - 3) Who would pay for putting ships into commission. The shipowners are unable to pay themselves owing to blocked accounts.
 - 4) How much and in what currency would shipowners be paid for their services.
4. The total tonnage of merchant vessels in port is not now more than 30,000, but the Yugoslav aim is for ship owners to recall all

2. The Committee is to consist of BUSHNICH, MARTINICH, a large shipping agent, and BARTISCH in event of small motor vessels. None owns any shipping now in port.

3. The Union of Shipowners asked the following questions in reply:

- 1) Under what flag are the ships employed to sail
- 2) How would insure ships against loss or damage. The Trieste Insurance Market is not working.
- 3) How would pay for putting ships into commission. The shipowners are unable to pay themselves owing to blocked accounts.
- 4) How much and in what currency would shipowners be paid for their services.

4. The total tonnage of merchant vessels in port is not more than 50,000, but the Yugoslav aim is for ship owners to recall all ships in other ports and use them on this traffic.

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To: Head of Chancery
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Copy: A. Halford, Esq.,
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From: I.S.L.D.
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attached is a report on the situation in North West
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ITALY

POLITICAL

Situation in North West Italy

The following are the impressions of a British officer on the situation in North West Italy after approximately one month's

Allied occupation.

1. All political parties intend that their respective Partisan formations shall retain a large percentage of the arms now held.
2. On May 30th the Questore of Milan arrested a member of the MATTEOTTI Brigade in possession of approximately 100 rounds of arms and ammunition. The prisoner stated he had no intention of giving these up and produced a document signed by the local leader categorically ordering him not to do so.

3. It is certain that some Partisans have turned to the hills and hidden arms, notably elements of the MONTECARLO Division (Communist) and the MONTEFALCONE Division (strongly anti-Communist).

4. The latter of these weapons being brought into immediate use is remote but a crisis may arise in the future.

5. The immediate problem is essentially economic rather than political. There is a widespread feeling that the winter and the presence of Allied troops will be a disaster for the country and the economy of Allied Italy.

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4. The number of these weapons being brought into immediate use is remote but a crisis may arise in the future.
5. The immediate region is essentially economic rather than political. There is a sufficient of food for the winter and the presence of Allied troops and a probable guarantee against armed civil strife.
6. Internal political position is not felt by the large majority of the population but may easily be whipped up by parties if living conditions deteriorate rather than improve. Summary: Opposition to the SAFARI Government is central. It has and in the present is convinced that any other Italian Government is likely to be equally unsatisfactory at this stage and is not unwilling to put himself out in order to ensure the removal of SAFARI.

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7. Inception to paragraphs 5 and 6. Any pressure to re-establish the House of Savoy as a permanency. This might well provoke violent reaction by moderates in favour of any action taken by the extreme Left.

8. The power of the Communists at present lies less in their own strength than in strong differences of opinion among anti-Communists particularly on the question of the monarchy. A very few die-hard Royalists but even more undoubtedly exist for the monarchy among those who believe it is fundamentally the only force capable of rallying strong opposition to Communism.

9. Allied popularity, greatly assisted by the attitude towards Trieste, has been fairly maintained in LIGURIA but considerably diminished in PIEMONTE. The cause, in the case of the latter Province, is possibly anxiety regarding French activities in that area. The local A.S.G. there appears unpopular in all quarters on the grounds of alleged lack of understanding of local conditions.

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Coppy: A. Halford, Esq.,
Political Section
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From: I.S.L.D.
Rome Area Allied Command

Date: 3rd June, 1945

Attached is a report on Black Listing and Penetration
of Allied organisations by the Communist Party, dated 31st May, 1945.

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I.S.L.D.

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ITALY

POLITICAL

BLACK LISTING AND PENETRATION OF ALLIED
ORGANIZATIONS BY THE COMMUNIST PARTY

1. A source with good local contacts has ascertained that certain leaders of the COMMUNIST PARTY have received orders from the Russian Embassy to submit detailed reports on all individuals, whether civilians or military men, who are collaborating with the Allies, specifying whether they are working for the British or Americans. These reports must be furnished on all persons irrespective of their degree of importance.
2. At the same time the Directorate of the Party will compile a "Black List" containing the names of such persons, on whom a close watch should be maintained.
3. Communist agents have received orders to approach both civilians and military personnel employed in Allied offices, with the object of forming propaganda and intelligence cells. The assistance of typists, messengers, orderlies, and mess personnel, is especially sought.

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