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Subject: Sig. ARNELLETTI, Ugo.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C.  
(M. M. I. A.)  
XCMZ.  
DFT/116.  
Sept 15.

To: 5 Territorial H.Q., UDINE.

Attached is a copy of a report received by this H.Q. from the Chief Italian Liaison Officer, A.C.S. - U.S.F.E.T. on Sig. ARNELLETTI, Ugo.

*It is understood that this information is required by Gen ARNELLETTI.*

*Mt*  
Major General  
M. M. I. A.

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COL. R. F. S. - JENNAZZA  
Chief Italian Liaison Officer  
A. C. S. - U. S. F. E. T.  
A. P. O. - 757 - U. S. Army

September 19, 1945

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FILE: 369/0

Subject: Sig. Ugo ARMELLINI

TO: Land Forces Sub. Com. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

Reference: INT/116, 3 July 1945.

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Accluded hereon is the answer  
to your request, as result of our tracing con-  
cerning Mr. Ugo Armellini.

For the Chief Italian Liaison Officer  
(Remo Paolini - 2nd Lieut.).

*Remo Paolini, 2nd Lt*

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GE CIPX 383.7(4.31)-(6170)  
Report on Ugo AMPELLINI

12 September 1945

1. CIPX ACS, G-1 12.9.45  
G-5 Att:  
Col. Pietro  
Vernazza

Reference is made to your enquiry of 9.7.45 concerning  
Mr. Ugo Amellini.

A report has now been received that he arrived at the  
Lachau concentration camp on 14 July, 1944, that his  
prison number was 80083, and that he died there on  
6 October 1944.

For The Chiefs, CIPX:

L. S. CRAMER  
Lt. Col., AUS  
Executive, CIPX

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*File INT/116*  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**FROM:** *ICIA*  
**TO:** *DIR OF FBI*

**DATE:** *12/10/53*

**RE: [REDACTED]**

**SUBJECT: [REDACTED]**

**RE: [REDACTED] (BUFILE X) [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FOR ALL PERSONS N.E.P. & A.D. 45 (.) FOR INFORMATION**

**[REDACTED] [REDACTED]**  
**[REDACTED]**

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AFHQ Liaison Officer  
I.A.I. - ROME  
Tel. 478.897

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*Seen A.*

No. 1664

*ABC 6/8*

1 August 1945.

SUBJECT : I.A.I. - Recognition of Service.

TO : G-2(CI), AFHQ

G (C)

1. The imminent break-up of certain sections and units of I.A.I., which have ceased to be in a position to render essential service to our own Intelligence agencies, marks the close of a long period of cooperation on the part of certain Italian officers with AFHQ and 15 Army Group, and the various units working under those headquarters.
2. In particular the Zuretti (3<sup>rd</sup> Section) which will cease to exist on 2 Aug. 45 has given excellent service to our war effort, especially in its connection with '3' Force and ICU. Major CAVE and his successor Major COVENTRY who are no longer in this command, always spoke highly of the value of their work to Allied headquarters.  
For some time no Allied officer has maintained direct liaison with this section and it is therefore felt that the services which it has rendered in our past operations may now be unrecorded, particularly as all previous contacts with 15 Army Group have now been broken.  
Lt. Col. REVETRIA, the Commanding Officer of the Zuretti (3<sup>rd</sup> Section), is one of the most loyal and able Italian officers who has cooperated with the Allies over a long period and Lt. Col. DUCROS, commanding the Censorship Section (4<sup>th</sup> Section) was of particular service in coordinating Italian and Allied Censorship and instrumental also in organizing Security in the Italian C.I.L., a service which was much appreciated at the time by 15 Army Group.  
It is believed that both these officers and the Sections commanded by them contributed in no small measure towards the success of our Intelligence activities in Italy.
3. It is not known by this office whether the changes within I.A.I. will affect the position of Col. AGRIFOGLIO, its commanding officer, but it would appear that his office

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will also become defunct as will that of his second-in-command, Lt. Col. DE FRANCESCO.

- 4. In view of the above and in order that these officers may feel that their efforts on behalf of Allied Intelligence have not passed unobserved, it is the belief of this office that a written appreciation from your headquarters would serve the useful purpose of demonstrating Allied good-will and recognition of service and at the same time help to preserve the excellent relations with that part of I.A.I. which will continue to work under Allied Command.

Copy to : M.M.I.A. ✓

*R. Stulpe-Wright*

Capt.  
AFHQ LIAISON  
(IAI).

*Noted S2/S.*

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*A please see Done*

G.S.

*Noted I suggest may Selby should inform  
War Min of Captain Wright's opinion*

*W.P.  
4 Aug*

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Subject: 862 Intelligence Unit (Nucleo I)

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.  
(M. M. I. A.)

30/18/2.

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To: A.P.H.C.

Copy to: 13 Corps.

1. In accordance with your AG 091.711/G2I-0 of 4 June 45 the U.S. of 862 Intelligence Unit (Cat 3 NG-III Service Ops) was reduced to 115 officers and 101 GIs (see 30/105 of 30 June refer).
2. In view of the fact this unit was formed for civil liaison service with NINETH Army it is considered that there is no further necessity for its continuance as NINETH Army has been disbanded. It is therefore strongly recommended that the 862 Intelligence Unit (Nucleo I) be disbanded forthwith.
3. Request decision please.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Major General  
MIA.

Copy to: DDE/116. ✓

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Major General L. Browning  
Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.  
(M. M. I. A.)  
RCDS.  
DPE/116.

(B)

31 July 1945.

Dear

1. With reference to your GBI/DO/180/45 of 29 July my Intelligence Officer has been through the names of the Service personnel listed in your letter and has checked up with our records and those of the Navy and Air Force Sub Commissions to ensure that the recipients of the letters of appreciation signed by you are approved personnel.

2. All the Service personnel are approved but, as we have no record of any description which concerns the civilians listed, I am not in a position to give an opinion on their account but presume that I.S.L.D. have already vouched for them.

Yours

*L.A.*

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Major General T.S. Airey, C.B.E.  
Allied Forces Headquarters, C.M.F.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2  
APO 512 U.S. ARMY  
Major General T. S. ALLEN CBE.

GHI/DO/180/45

29 July 1945

*by dem Langley*

1. I have been asked by IED to sign letters of appreciation to the Italians mentioned below who, they say, have performed valuable and courageous services to the Allied cause.

Before sending the signed letters back to IED I should like to ask you if you would run through the names to ensure that the proposed recipients do not include persons who might, for some reason, be in your bad books and who, if given a testimonial, would be an embarrassment to M.M.I.A.

2. Their names are:-

- ✓ Lt Erasmo VENTURINI, Royal Italian Air Force
- ✓ Captain Giovanni TOLLERI, Italian Army
- W.O.L. Giuseppe ARBIZZANI, Royal Italian Navy 016
- W.O. Giuseppe VALENTI, Royal Italian Navy
- ✓ Captain Andrea DADONE, Royal Italian Air Force
- Cadet Carlo Alessandro MILAN, Royal Italian Navy
- ✓ Lieut. Giovanni MARINCO, Italian Army
- Signor Vicenzo CIULLIANI
- " Giuseppe FENAROLI
- " Gino BARRANO
- " Renato SERVI
- " Bruno BONOMELLI
- " Paride BONOMELLI
- Don: Costante BERSELLI

3. I understand that the Field Marshal recently sent appreciative letters to other individuals whose work, however, was of a rather different order from the people mentioned above.

I should be very grateful if one of your chaps could go through the names and let me know as soon as possible if they are all right in your eyes.

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1. I should like to ask you if you would run through the names to ensure that the proposed recipients do not include persons who might, for some reason, be in your bad books and who, if given a testimonial, would be an embarrassment to M.M.I.A.

2. Their names are:-

- ✓ Lt Erasmo VENTURINI, Royal Italian Air Force
- ✓ Captain Giovanni TULLIPI, Italian Army
- W.O.L. Giuseppe ARBIZZANI, Royal Italian Navy 018
- W.O. Giuseppe VALENTI, Royal Italian Navy
- ✓ Captain Andrea DADONE, Royal Italian Air Force
- Cadet Carlo Alessandro MILAN, Royal Italian Navy
- ✓ Lieut. Giovanni MARCONO, Italian Army
- Signor Vincenzo GIULIANI
- " Giuseppe FINAROLI
- " Gino BARBANO
- " Renato SERVI
- " Bruno BONOMELLI
- " Paride BOICHIELLI
- Don Costante BERNELLI

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I should be very grateful if one of your chaps could go through the names and let me know as soon as possible if they are all right by you.

Best wishes.

Yours  
*Frederic Lacey*

*I R. Vet  
A.B. 3rd/1st*

Major General L. BROWNING, C.B., C.B.E., M.C.,  
Island Forces Sub-Commission A.C.,  
(M.M.I.A.) Rome.

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*Have vetted all Service Posts  
They are OK. J.R. Selby Maj.*



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To G.S.O.I.

I.A.I. and S.P. Units.

Disbandment or Reduction since 22 Mar 45.

<u>UNIT.</u>	<u>REDUCTION ALL RANKS.</u>
Industrial Inspection Section (disbanded)	41
Censorship perss:	17
810 Service Squan: (disbanded)	68
809 Inor to 1 Spec Force: (disbanded by 31 July)	24
Zurethe Sec: (disbanded by Aug 1)	75
Tech Sec (incl 135 W/T Sec) (halved by 1 Aug)	78
Int. Liaison Unit 8 Army reduced by	334

Total 1037

Total I.A.I. and S.P. personnel reduction from 22 Mar to 1 Aug

1037 All Ranks

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FROM : NSIA  
TO : SECRETARY OF WAR  
REF : SD 2833

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REF OUR LETTER SD/18/2 DATED 20 JUL (.) AND  
EFFECTIVE DATE ADVISED IN PARA 2 TO 1 AND

~~PRECEDENCE ROUTINE~~

~~AUTHENTICATED~~

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SUBJECT: Disbandment Order 429  
Part 3 A(1) III-III IWT Units

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MALA)

SD/18/2

20 July 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

"ZURETTI" SECTION I.A.I.  
TECHNICAL SECTION (INC 135 SPECIAL WIRELESS  
COY) I.A.I.

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Reference your letter 55591/S dated 23 June 45.

1. The functions performed by the above mentioned units have been carefully examined and it is considered that the units are not now required.
2. The "Zuretti" Section IAI will be disbanded and the WE of Technical Section (inc 135 Special Wireless Coy) IAI will be reduced by one half, both with effect from 2 August 45. *perfolia 10*
3. Personnel will be available to you as reinforcements within the III-III category.
4. AFHQ letter AG.091.711/073 CBI-O dated 7 July 45 refers.

*L.M. F. ...*  
Major General, AFHQ

20 July 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

"ZURETTI" SECTION I.A.I.  
TECHNICAL SECTION (INC 135 SPECIAL WIRELESS  
COY) I.A.I. 3a

Reference your letter 5591/S dated 23 June 45.

1. The functions performed by the above mentioned units have been carefully examined and it is considered that the units are not now required. 5613
2. The "Zuretti" Section IAI will be disbanded and the WE of Technical Section (inc 135 Special Wireless Coy)IAI, will be reduced by one half, both with effect from 2 August 45. purposes 10
3. Personnel will be available to you as reinforcements within the ITI-ITI category.
4. AFHQ letter AG.091.711/073 GAI-0 dated 7 July 45 refers.

*L. M. F. ...*  
Major General I.A.I.

COPY to: AFHQ for 33 Org  
AFHQ Liaison Officer I.A.I. - ROME

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1st Ind to Ltr Land Forces, Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)  
Rome, dtd 1 June 45, subj: "Italian Army Intelligence  
Units."

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RVB/gg

AG 091.711/073 OBI-0

1st Ind

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, APO 512 14 June 1945.

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394.  
FOR: Land Forces Sub Commission, (MMIA)

1. Detailed study has been given to the question of discontinuing  
Italian Army intelligence units referred in basic communication.

2. a. National Administration Troops (Category 1A)

(1) Central office - coordinating and directing office SMG  
under general direction of Ministers of War.

It is believed that this unit should not be discontinued.

(2) Zurette Section - Collects and collates information.  
Printing secret documents and training manuals.

It is believed that this unit should not be discontinued.  
However, before final decision is made further information  
concerning this unit is desired.

(3) Tech Section - (includes 135 Special Wireless Coy). Sup-  
plies special W/T personnel to ITI and allied units.  
Training cipher personnel and I (a) Staffs (Rft Op).

Before final decision is made as to discontinuation of this  
unit, further information is desired. Where is this unit  
located? With whom do they work? To whom do they listen?

(4) Personnel Section - Personnel and General.

This unit should not be discontinued.

(5) MT Units (include internal administration) Tpt units of  
Hq IAI.

This unit should not be discontinued.

(6) Administration Section - Administration.

This unit should not be discontinued.

b. Internal Security Troops (ITI - ITI) Category 5(c).

Vertical list of numbers on the left side of the page, possibly a routing slip or index.

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1st Ind AFHQ, file AG 091.711/073 GBI-O,  
dtd 14 June 45. (Cont'd)

- (1) 808 CS Bn (Counter-intelligence, Counter-espionage, Counter-sabotage, subversive activities).

This unit should not be discontinued.

- (2) Intelligence Censorship Unit, Executive Operation ITI Civil Censorship and ITI Army Censorship in back areas.

This unit should not be discontinued but may be reduced in strength to 40 officers and 35 other ranks - totalling 75.

- (3) Pool of Military Censors, Military Press Censors.

This unit should not be discontinued.

- (4) Industrial Inspection Section IAI. Inspection of Industries in liberated territory.

This unit has completed its work and may be discontinued.

- (5) 4 Section Hq IAI, Preparation of codes and ciphers for ITI units.

This unit should not be discontinued.

- (6) Unallotted.

All unallotted personnel and vacancies may be discontinued at it is not expected that they will be utilized.

- (7) III British Service Troops (Br ITI) Category 3.

810 Service Squadron IAI - Offensive Counter-intelligence.  
This unit should not be discontinued.

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- (8) 863 Increment to CSDIC - Specialized interrogation of PW and agents.

This unit should not be discontinued.

- ✓ (9) 809 Increment to IAI to I - Special Force (Calderini Sec Op 2 & 3).

Training saboteurs; comms with EOI, dropping of agents in EOI W/T ops in EOI.

This unit may be discontinued at any time after 8 July 1945.

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• 1st Ind AFHQ, file AG 091.711/073 GRI-0  
dtd 14 June 45. (Cont'd)

*SP 3089*  
*id.*

(10) 862 Intelligence Units (Nucleo "I") Italian INT ID's  
for 8 Army (Civil Liaison).

Headquarters Eighth Army have been wired for recom-  
mendations as to discontinuation of this unit and advice  
will be forwarded as soon as answer is received.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

*Robert V. Benham*  
ROBERT V. BENHAM  
Captain, ACD  
Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl  
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Subject: Italian Army Intelligence Units

Land Forces  
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)  
Rome  
SD/18/2  
June 1945

*Julio 38  
ab. refer*

To : AFHQ

*See F. 37*

1. The Italian Army Intelligence units (formerly SIM) were organized and maintained for the specific purpose of assisting the Allied War effort. Now that this purpose has been served, it is suggested that there is no further reason for maintaining these units, which are in fact secret police. Moreover, while the personnel has rendered valuable service to the Allies, the elimination of this agency from the Italian scene should tend to improve Allied-Italian relations, as the average Italian has only a hatred for the secret police units, which have been simply an outgrowth of the necessity of the previous regime to perpetuate itself by spying, intimidation and force.
2. The elimination of these units would reduce the ITI-ITI ceiling by 1890 and the BR-ITI commitment by 1233, thereby effecting a saving of rations in equal numbers.
3. It is believed that no further proper use is available for the 1890 ITI-ITI personnel, and the ITI-ITI ceiling should be reduced by this number.
4. The units affected are shown in detail in Appx "A" attached.
5. Request decision.

*See F. 39 5600  
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*d. Browning*

Major General  
Land Forces  
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

cc: file SD/94

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Appx "A" to MMIA letter dated 1 June 45

	W.E. STRENGTH		TOTAL
	Offrs	ORs	
<b>I. Italian Adm Troops (Category 1(a))</b>			
1. Central Office - coordinating and directing office SMG under general direction of Minister for War.			30
2. Zurette Section Collects and collates information. Printing secret documents and Trg manuals.			75
3. Tech Sec (incl 135 Special Wireless Coy) Supplies Spec W/T personnel to ITI and Allied units. Trg cipher personnel and I(a) staffs (Rft Gp)			156
			78
4. Personnel Section Personnel and General			11
5. MT Units (Incl internal adm) Tpt units of HQ I.A.I.			110
6. Adm Section Adm			8
			<u>390</u>
<b>II. Internal Security Troops (ITI-ITI) Category 5(c)</b>			
7. 808 CS Bn (see Note A) Counter Int, counter-espionage, counter-sabotage, subversive activities.	69	931	1000
8. Int Censorship Unit (see Note B) Executive operation, ITI Civil Censorship and ITI Army censorship in back areas	80	80	160
9. Pool of Military Censors (see Note B) Military press censors.	45	15	60
10. Industrial Inspection Section IAI (see Note C) Inspection of Industries in liberated territory.	20	21	41
11. 4 Section HQ IAI (Not under Allied Comd for ops) Preparation of Codes and ciphers for ITI units.	13	30	43
12. Unallotted		196	196
	<u>227</u>	<u>1273</u>	<u>1500</u>

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Appx "A" to MMIA letter dated 1 June 45(cont'd)

III. British Service Troops (BR-ITI) Category 3	W.E. STRENGTH		TOTAL
	Offrs	ORs	
13. 810 Service Squadron IAI Offensive counter Intelligence.	11	57	68 <i>disbanded 31 July</i>
14. 863 Increment to CSDIC Specialized interrogation of PW and agents.	16	145	161
15. 809 Increment to IAI to 1 Special Force (Calderini Secs Gp 2 & 3) Trg saboteurs; comms with EOI, dropping of agents in EOI, W/T Ops in EOI.	72	382	454 <i>7 July</i>
16. 862 Intelligence Units (Nucleo "I") Italian Int LOs for 8 Army (Civil Liaison)	250	300	550 <i>216</i>
	<u>349</u>	<u>884</u>	<u>1233</u>

Note A see minutes of MMIA WEC No 7 of 31 May, Serial 31  
 Note B see MMIA letter INT/113 of 19 May  
 Note C see MMIA signal SD 2721 of 30 May

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SUBJECT: Sig. Ugo ARMELLINI

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C. (MMIA)

INT/116

3 July 45

TO : ITALIAN LIAISON GP, SHAEF

1. The attached correspondence on Sig. Ugo ARMELLINI is forwarded to you in order that investigations may be made as to his present whereabouts and condition.
2. Will you please let this HQ know if you have been able to trace Sig. ARMELLINI as his brother, Gen. ARMELLINI, now commanding 5 Territorial HQ at UDINE, is most anxious to have news.
3. A prompt reply would be much appreciated.

*W. H. Selby*  
 Major General  
 MMIA  
*for*

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TRANSLATION.

On May 19, 1944, Mr. Ugo ARMELLINI, residing at POCENIA (UDINE) was arrested and committed to the UDINE jail. He was accused of helping British prisoners and the fact that he is the brother of a Badoglio General and "traitor" was held against him.

Despite his bad health (he was disabled during the last war) he was deported to DACHAU on July 11th. At the beginning of October the S.S. HQ at UDINE officially announced the death of ARMELLINI on October 6, 1944.

Two returnees from DACHAU who recently came back to their home-towns, report the following:-

(a) That one Severino CESARATTO, son of the Late Francesco, from VIVARO (UDINE) tells of having spoken to ARMELLINI on an unspecified day in November 1944.

(b) That one DONEGUZZI, called SCIUSTA, from MORSANO al TAGLIAMENTO, tells of having spoken to ARMELLINI on March 22, 23, and 24, 1945.

*Correspond*  
Even though the two returnees do not know each other, their stories ~~are~~ in their details to such an extent as not to leave any doubt concerning the identity of the person involved.

One should, therefore, infer that the announcement of ARMELLINI's death was due to mistaken identity and that ARMELLINI was alive on March 24, 1945, i.e. one month from the liberation of DACHAU by American Troops.

No word has been received from ARMELLINI so far.

The 8th Army, who was approached in the matter, has already begun to trace him. It is requested that the search be carefully continued at the various camps or hospitals to which the DACHAU deportees were routed, as well as at the other camps, since it is entirely possible that between March 24th and April 25th ARMELLINI may have been transferred from DACHAU to another camp.

According to one Carlo TOMIUTTI, questioned now (June 28th) ~~ARMELLINI~~, was seen at DACHAU on May 26th, when he was suffering from nephritis, and was committed to an American Hospital.

Translation

On May 19, 1944 Mr. Ugo Aruellini, residing at Poesina (Vdine) was arrested and committed to the Vdine jail. He was accused of helping British prisoners and the fact that he is the brother of a Badoglio general and "traitor" was held against him.

Despite his bad health (he was disabled during the last war) he was deported to Dachau on July 11<sup>TH</sup>.

At the beginning of October the S.S. H.Q. at Vdine officially announced the death of Aruellini on October 6, 1944.

Two returnees from Dachau who recently came back to their home towns, report the following:

- 1) that one Severino Cesaretto son of the late Francesco, from Vdine (Vdine) tells of having spoken to Aruellini on an unspecified day in November 1944.
- 2) that one Donaguzzi, called Scinista, from Morsano al Tagliamento, tells of having spoken to Aruellini on March 22, 23, and 24, 1945.

Even though the two returnees do not know each other, their stories jibe in their details to such an extent as not to leave any doubt concerning the identity of the person involved.

One should, therefore, infer that the announcement of Aruellini's death was due to mistaken identity and that Aruellini was alive on March 24, 1945, i.e. one month from the liberation of Dachau by American troops.

No word has been received from Aruellini so far.

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The 8<sup>TH</sup> Army, who was approached in the matter, has already begun to trace him. It is requested that the search be carefully continued at the various camps or hospitals to which the Dachau detainees were routed, as well as at the other camps as well, since it is entirely possible that between March 24<sup>TH</sup> and April 25<sup>TH</sup> Annellini may have been transferred from Dachau to another camp.

According to one Carlo TONIVTTI, questioned now (June 28<sup>TH</sup>) Annellini was seen at Dachau on May 26<sup>TH</sup>, when he was suffering from nephritis, and was committed to an American hospital.

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SUBJECT : Italian Intelligence Units.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (MMIA)

INT/116

28 June 45

TO : ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Ref your AG.091.711/073 GBL-O of 14 June.

1. This H.Q. requested the War Ministry to forward detailed information on the Zurette Section and Technical Section (Cat.1 (A) ITI-ITI)

2. Attached is a translation of the Ministry of War letter outlining in detail the functions and location of the u/n Units.

*R. Selby*  
Major General  
MMIA

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TRANSLATION

FROM: S.M.R.E.

REF: 55591/S

TO: M.H.I.A.

DATE: 23.6.45.

SUBJECT: Intelligence Branch of the Army.

Re your LWT/116 dated 18th. inst.

- 1) - Functions, employment, and location, of the 3rd. Section (X "Zuretti") of "I" Branch.

The "Zuretti" section has <sup>two functions</sup> ~~aduei~~ object as follows:-

- a) - to keep the central Italian military and civilian authorities (Cabinet - Foreign Office - Ministry of Industry and Commerce etc.) informed of the up to date situation insofar as it may be of interest to each of them;
- b) - to cooperate with the Allied Authorities (G2 - O.S.S. - A.C.) in all matters in which such a collaboration can be useful or necessary to them.

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This particularly refers to:-

- 1) - Internal situation: research and compilation of data as well as compiling of reports according to a scheme, as shown by ~~questionnaire~~ <sup>enclosure 1</sup> (a copy of a compiled report is

I) - functions, employment, and maintenance of the "I" section (A. Zuretti)

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This particularly refers to:-

- 1) - Internal situation: research and compilation of data as well as compiling of reports according to a scheme, as shown by questionnaire ~~enclosure 1~~ (a copy of a compiled report is also attached ~~enclosure 2~~). Distribution is normally as follows: Cabinet, various Ministries concerned, as well as G2, O.S.S., Allied L.O. of the CSDIC for onward distribution to Allied units concerned.
- 2) - Research and compiling of documents regarding the past military, political, and economical, situation particularly insofar as it affects the republican armed forces. Distribution as above.
- 3) - Research and compiling of information regarding relations

between Italy and her frontier states, especially as regards the defence of Italian interests. Information is distributed more or less in the same way as indicated in No.1.

- 4) - Study of all matters relating to Italians abroad.
- 5) - Research of information and especially of documents useful in the furtherance of the war against Japan, in strict cooperation with the Allies.
- 6) - Compiling and printing documents and photographs as well as blueprint reproduction for use by the branch, the I/CISDIC, and the Italian Military central authorities.

Present location of the "Zuretti" section: ROME.

Palazzo Baracchini 3rd. floor:

Chief of the section and secretarial office  
Returns group  
Economics group  
Research group

Ministry of War building 3rd. floor:

Photolithographic laboratory

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- Turin "
- Genoa "
- Bolzano "

11) - Technical section and 135th. Wireless Company:

- a) - The technical section is the directive organ of the 135th. Wireless Company and has over same disciplinary and training control. The section issues:
  - instructions for the installation and proper functioning of the radio telegraphic network.

- directives for the training of personnel and maintenance of wireless materials.

b) - The 135th. Wireless Company:

- supplies specialised personnel and material to the 808 C.S. Battalion for the proper functioning of the radio link between the different units of the battalion and between these and H.Q.

- is in charge of day and night radio-telegraph and radio-telephone interception of military and political news with which to compile the two daily radio news bulletins which are sent to the situation group of the 3rd. section to enable them to compile the bulletin, and to the highest central authority. (enclosure } news bulletins)

- recovering and repair of radio materials at one time belonging to the old SIM or to the Intelligence Service of the pseudo-republic.

- training and refresher courses of personnel to be used as reinforcements.

Military operations in Italy having come to an end, the requirements of the 1st. section and the special group (1) for the link with occupied territory has ceased to exist and, consequently, once the network for the 808 C.S. Battalion has been organised, the war establishment of the technical

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receptions and reports of radio messages by the 1st section

belonging to the old SIM or to the Intelligence Service of the pseudo-republic. **5509**

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c) - location: ROME

- Technical Section: Palazzo Maracchini 4th. Floor
- 135th. Wireless Company: Fort Braschi

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Gen.

(1) 1st. Section: 809th. increment to 1 Special force  
Special Group: 810th. Italian Service Squadron.

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SUBJECT: Italian Army Intelligence Units

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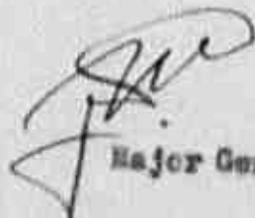
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TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. This HQ has been asked to supply detailed information on the functions, duties and locations of certain IAI and SF Units.
2. It is requested that you forward to this HQ information as outlined in para 1 above on :-
  - (a) Bureau Section (Cat 1(a) ITI-ITI)
  - (b) Technical Section, including the 135 Special Wireless Coy (Cat 1 (c) ITI-ITI).
3. Please treat this matter as urgent.

Internal: SD/18/2  
cgl.

  
Major General  
MIA

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ITALIAN ARMY INTELLIGENCE & SECURITY POLICE UNIT  
IMI/ E.O. 3800

6 April 1945

subject: travel orders

To: Land Forces S/C/ (M.M.I.A.) A.C. Rome

The following personnel are proceeding from Rome to Florence, as per travel order from IV Army Group, and as part of the Industrial Intelligence Teams:

- Capt. Macchi Giuseppe
- Lt. Guastalla Mario
- " Signora Mario
- " Cosulich Mario
- " Melotti Renato
- driver Pvt. Brichetti Luigi
- " " De Luca Antonio

M. Martinengo Lt. Col.  
Chief General Office  
I.A.I. & S.P.U.



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TOP SECRET

To: Colonel Earle Nichols,  
G-2 A.F.H.Q.

No. 1045

From: I. S. L. D. (Major Page),  
c/o S.A.A.C.

9 March 1945.

Subject: Colonel Agrifoglio

1. During the meeting at which you presided on 8 March, to discuss the future status of S.I.M., those present were informed of A.F.H.Q.'s decision to permit the transfer of that organization from the control of the Stato Maggiore to that of the Italian Ministry of War. Coming at this juncture it is inevitable that this move should be construed by the press and public as an admission by the Italian Government that it considers the implication of S.I.M. in the Roatta affair not impossible.
2. It occurs to me, therefore, that whereas such a transfer at any other time would not necessarily affect the position of the present Head of S.I.M., coming at this moment it may well leave him no alternative but to resign. I have no authority for stating that he will in fact do so but it was made clear at the meeting that he is "non persona grata" with the Italian Government, which, I believe, at present has no means of removing him from his position other than by forcing his resignation. 5500
3. If it is decided by A.F.H.Q. that this resignation, were it offered, should be accepted by the Italian Government, it is suggested that particular consideration should be given to the circumstances under which Colonel Agrifoglio vacates his position.
4. Colonel Agrifoglio is an Allied nominee. At British instigation he was brought to Italy from a P.O.W. camp in the U.S.A. immediately after the Armistice, to assist in Intelligence work, if not specifically to become the Head of S.I.M. In the opinion of this office from the day of his beginning to organize the new S.I.M. in Brindisi, in October 1943, until the present time, he has co-operated to the best of his power to assist the armies fighting the Germans in Italy. The truth of his repeated assertions that he has consistently refused to allow his organization, as such, to be used by political parties of any colour, may best be gauged by the lack of support which he receives from any Italian quarter.
5. It is suggested that to allow Colonel Agrifoglio to resign under circumstances such as to leave suspicion in the public mind as to his past activities, with all that connection with S.I.M. may involve in some future expuration campaign, would not only be a grave injustice

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to a well-tried friend, who has materially assisted the Allied and -  
he believes - Italian cause, but would necessarily create the  
greatest disquiet among all those Italian officers who, by collaborating  
with Allied Intelligence agencies, appear to be risking their futures  
in Italy.

6. Lt. Col. Rice of O.S.S. and I have discussed this matter at some  
length and his views on the matter coincide with those expressed in  
this letter.

*M. J. G.*  
Major, R.N.

Copy to:

Lt. Col. Rice, O.S.S.  
No. 1 S.O.I. Unit  
No. 1 Special Forces  
Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.) A.C.  
I.S.L.D. A.F.H.C.

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