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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION POLICY

MAR. SEPT. 1946

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SUBJECT: AMARCO Civilis - Manila, Inc.
Manila Francisco Radio - Manila, Inc.

Let's please get information, etc.
S. B. I. A.

6/7/1/6/10.22.

13 September 1946.

276 P.C. Section,
S. B. I. A.

1. Enclosed are two letters dated 10 Sep 46 - ref. 441/11-5 and 441/12-5 - concerning extradition into the a/n, which are forwarded at the request of S. B. I. A.

RECEIVED, Major.
for Major General.
CO. ST. Section.
S. B. I. A.

11/10/46.

FROM:

CARABINIERI G.F.Q.
"Office and Situation Office"

TRANSLATION.

441/I2=3

10 Sept. 1946

SUBJECT : List.

TO : M.M.I.A., Carabinieri Section, R.A.I.

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Please forward the enclosed letter to 276 F.S. Section.

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For/ Mario Sacchi,  
Colonel,  
Chief of Staff.

ENCLOSURE:

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10 Sept. 46

SUBJECT : FALUNGO Giulio. Enquiries.

TO : 276 F.S. Section

R.O.M.E.

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Ref. MME/78 of 14 June 1946.

The result of the enquiries on the above mentioned
has been **negative**.

(sgd)

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For/Mario Sacchi,
Colonel

Chief of Staff. 719

Chief
Colonel
Major /
Lieutenant
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SUBJECT : PALUMBUS in line. inquiries.

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 For/Mario Sacchi,
 Colonel
 Chief of Staff.
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Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri
UFFICIO SERVIZIO E SITUAZIONE

N. 441/12-3 di prot.

Roma, li 10 sett. 1946

Risposta al

del

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Allegati n. 1

OGGETTO: E l e n c o .-

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sezione Carabinieri

R O M A

1 - Lettera diretta alla 276 F.S. Section;
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RECEIVED 12 SEP 1946

... con preghiera di recapito.-

d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
- Mario Sacchi -

TRANSLATION

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FROM : CARABINIERI GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
"Service and Situation" Office.

44I/II-6 Ris.

10 Sept. 46

SUBJECT : List.

TO : R.N.I.A., Carabinieri Section, R O M E.

Please forward the enclosed letter to 276 P.S. Section.

(sgd) For/Mario Sacchi,
Colonel,
Chief of Staff.

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ENCLOSURE:

CARABINIERI GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
"Service and Situation Office".

44I/II-5 Ris.

10 Sept. 46

SUBJECT : CARABINIERI FRANCESCO INALCO.

TO : 276 P.S. Section.

R O M E.

Ref. your SUC/I4/I of the 27th June 1946.

The enquiries on the above mentioned man have had a negative result.

TR/am

(Sgd) For/Mario Sacchi,
Colonel,
Chief of Staff.

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CARABINIERI GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
"Service and Situation Office".

10 Sept. 48

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Ref. your SEC/I4/I of the 27th June 1946.

(Sgd) For/Mario Sacchi,
Colonel,
Chief of Staff.

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Carabinieri

Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri

UFFICIO SERVIZIO E SITUAZIONE

N. 441/II - di prot. Ris.

Roma, 11 10/3/1946

Risposta al

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OGGETTO: E l e n c o . -

ALLA M. M. I. A.
Sezione Carabinieri

R O M A



UPA = LETTERA diretta alla 275 P.S. Section;

.....con preghiera di recapito.-

d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
- Mario Sacchi -

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Constitutional Criminal Division

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 08-21-2001 BY 60322
UCBAW

06/07/19.

25 May 44.

Le Gal, H. - L'IMMORTALITÉ

1. I order to try and send a letter in the Chamberlain a Criminal Record Office will have to be started at each Legion HQ and a Central Criminal Record Office will have to be built up at CC.MR. HQ. 1938.
2. At the present time when a crime is committed and investigated by a Chamberlain three copies of the Chamberlain's report are made. One is kept at the Legation where the Chamberlain is stationed, one copy is sent to the lowest official level (Tahiti or Country) and the third copy is sent to the local legal authorities.

5. I suggest that a further copy should be made and sent to Legation Hong Kong.

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4. Totals will then be abstracted from the report at Legion HQ and put on to a simple type of Chinese form, which will be completed in duplicate. One copy of the Chinese form will be sent to CC.M. and the other will remain at Legion HQ. From these two copies of the Chinese form, the following indexes will be built up at CC.M. and Legion HQ:

- (a) Motor Operator
- (b) Fingerprint index of all persons, wanted, suspected, convicted, or otherwise coming under Police notice. Each man's file will contain details of his criminal record.
- (c) Wanted persons
- (d) Stolen cars and vehicles.
- (e) Stolen cycles
- (f) Valuable identifiable stolen property.
- (g) Firearms and details of motor cars owned or used by thieves, rogues, travelling pickpockets etc.
- (h) Collection of photographs of convicted persons (see pages 8, 9).

6. Summary information is obtained about a certain group (a) the question at the place of birth (b) the domain (c) the other other cases, then copies of the information sent to some or more of the other cases. Files can be kept up to date and the information used as they wish.

* See also the notes

7. It would of course be far better if the actual Government who investigated the crime was the man who made out the crime report, but this is quite impossible as most Government agents even have to out an ordinary suspect. The records on Crime are almost always made by a Marshall or Magistrate, who forwards them to the local legal authorities. If the Marshall or Magistrate led to by a Crime Man in addition they would be even more overworked than they are at present. Consequently

by a Carabinieri three copies of the Carabinieri's report are made. One is kept at the Caserma where the Carabinieri is stationed, no copy is sent to the District Office Level (Tenerife or Canary) and the third copy is sent to the local legal authorities.

3. I suggest that a fourth copy should be made and sent to Legion HQ.

4. Details will then be abstracted from the report at Legion HQ and put on to a single type of Crime Form, which will be completed in duplicate. One copy of the Crime Form will be sent to C.C.M. and the other will remain at Legion HQ. Even these two copies of the Crime Form, the following indexes will be built up at C.C.M. and Legion HQ:

5.
 - (e) Media Opere
 - (f) General Index of all persons, wanted, suspected, convicted, or otherwise existing under Police notices. Each man's file will contain details of his criminal record.
 - (g) Wanted persons
 - (h) Stolen cars and vehicles.
 - (i) Stolen cycles
 - (j) Valuable identifiable stolen property.
 - (k) Numbers and details of motor cars owned or used by thieves, receivers, travelling pickpockets etc.
 - (l) Collection of photographs of convicted persons (see para 3.4.1).

6. Wherever information is obtained about a person from (a) the various than copies of this information must be sent to Legion HQ and C.C.M. and that files can be kept up to date until the information made proper use of in the various indexes.

7. It would of course be far better if the local Carabinieri who investigated the crime was the man who made out the Crime Form, but this is quite impossible as most Carabinieri cannot even write out an ordinary report. The reports on crimes are almost always done by a Carabinieri or Italian, who forwards them to the local legal authorities. If the Carabinieri or Italian who forwards them to the local legal authorities they would be even more concerned then they are at present. Consequently I have suggested that the Crime Form be sent to the Legion HQ to save the time of the local Carabinieri.

8. A camera would be supplied at each of the 44 Carabinieri and prison would then be taken of:

- (a) Every person arrested for crime.
- (b) Every fingerprint found at the scene of the crime.
- (c) When necessary at the scene of serious crimes.

9. Copies of (a) would always be sent to Legion HQ and C.C.M. and copies of (b) would always be sent to C.C.M. and.

10. The fingerprints of all persons arrested by the Carabinieri are always be taken in duplicate. One copy sent to C.C.M. and the other copy to Legion HQ, where it would be used on the state personnel file.

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11. All fingerprints would be classified and a single fingerprint collection would be made up at CC.RR. HQ. A separate index would be made of all fingerprints found at the scene of a crime and unidentified.

12. The present Bulletin issued by the Ministry of the Interior is useless and a waste of time and money. The Carabinieri should have their own Crime Bulletin published daily from CC.RR. HQ and sent to all Commanders.

(a) Full description of stolen property.

(b) A photograph where available.

(c) Details and number of stolen motor vehicles if not recovered within 48 hours.

(d) Description of valuable identifiable stolen property.

(e) Warning notices of travelling thieves and gangs, with full description, photos and motor car numbers.

(f) Releasees of important criminals from prison, with description, photo and intended address.

(g) ~~Investigations~~ ~~conducted~~ ~~from~~ ~~information~~, with full descriptions, photos and intended address.

13. Such information should be sent direct from any Command by post to CC.RR. HQ for inclusion in the daily Crime Bulletin.

14. Training of Personnel. Police Officers experienced in the classification of fingerprints will have to be brought over from England to train the Carabinieri to classify fingerprints and build up the fingerprint collection at CC.RR. HQ.

15. I suggest that 10 Carabinieri for CC.RR. HQ and 4 per Region HQ, making a total of 50 men, be trained to build up and operate the various indices at CC.RR. HQ and Region HQs, as enumerated in Para. 5. A separate staff would have to be formed to deal with and compile the daily Crime Bulletin.

16. In converse with I suggest that 2 Carabinieri per Group, 100 Legion be thoroughly trained to be able to take photos of prisoners, photos of scenes of crime, photos of fingerprints found at scenes of crime, to take prisoners fingerprints, to understand how science and ballistics can aid in crime detection, so that when they visit the scene of the crime they can make best use of their knowledge, preserve whatever they find and take it safely to the laboratory. Two Carabinieri properly trained will be able to instruct others, for there are at present small investigation squads at each Group HQ. There are still smaller squads at Command HQ and at some divisions. The two trained Carabinieri could go round the whole Group, gradually training the personnel in these squads. A complete establishment could eventually be worked out for these investigation squads, which today vary from 20 men to 2 men.

17. The whole standard of instruction given to Carabinieri Officers and NCOs at HQ is in Criminal Investigation ~~which~~ ~~has~~ ~~been~~ ~~to~~ ~~considerably~~ improved, and students must receive much better instruction in:

(a) Crime detection.

(b) Searching scenes of crime.

(c) Scientific aids to crime detection.

(d) How to make the best use of the local provincial laboratories.

(e) Ballistics.

(f) Photography, especially taking photos of scenes of crime and fingerprints found at the scene of the crime.

(g) How to preserve and find fingerprints and how to take a prisoner's

- (1) Release of important criminals from prison, with description, photo and intended address. *Carabinieri delictors*
- (2) ~~Releases of important criminals from prison, with description, photo and intended address.~~

13. Such information should be sent direct from any Carabinieri post to CC.M. HQ for insertion in the daily Crime Bulletin.

14. Training of Personnel. Police Officers oriented to the classification of fingerprints will have to be brought out from England to train the Carabinieri to classify fingerprints and build up the fingerprint collection at CC.M. HQ. *See above*

1. It is suggested that 10 Carabinieri for CC.M. HQ and 4 per Legion HQ, making a total of 50 men, be trained to build up and operate the various indices at CC.M. and Legion HQ, as enumerated in Para. 2. A separate staff would have to be formed to deal with and compile the daily Crime Bulletin.

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17. The whole standard of instruction given to Carabinieri Officers and ~~Sub-officers~~ *Sub-officers* improved, and students ~~will~~ receive much better instruction in:

- (a) Crime detection.
- (b) Searching scenes of crimes.
- (c) Scientific aids to crime detection.
- (d) How to make the best use of the local provincial laboratories.
- (e) Ballistics.
- (f) Photography, especially taking photos of scenes of crimes and fingerprints found at the scene of the crime.
- (g) How to preserve and find fingerprints and how to take a prisoner's fingerprints.
- (h) How to run a Criminal Record Office.
- (i) How to operate an I.O. System.

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18. Promotion should be more rapid for men serving in the Carabinieri Investigation Service, so that the best type of Carabinieri is entrusted to this work.

See above

19. Carabinieri Officers must be made "crime conscious" and responsible for crime detection. A Carabinieri officer should visit the scene of every serious crime. At the present time, with few exceptions, Carabinieri Officers take little interest in crime detection and think the work belongs to their dignity. They regard themselves as Italian Army Officers and must have Police work.

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This outlook will have to change completely if any success is to be achieved.

20. It will be recalled that the present British fingerprint system and Criminal Record Office at Scotland Yard has taken 15 years to build up and achieve its present state of efficiency. It is therefore a colossal undertaking to launch upon the Carabinieri, and make more difficult by the lack of education of the average Carabinieri. The difficulty of finding capable and suitably trained instructors for the School at F. L. M. S. may also prove troublesome. This is especially important because the N. G. S. are the backbone of the Carabinieri and unless they receive proper training, the hope of a successful C.R.D. will be small.

21. Lastly, unless the Italian Government is willing to undertake on the following, it is difficult to see what progress can be made:

- (a) At least 111 cameras (one per Group 1) together with the necessary films, printing and developing material etc.
- (b) Sufficient typewriters so that every Carabinieri has at least one typewriter. Extra typewriters at Regions II and at the Criminal Record Office at C.C.R.R. G. H. G.
- (c) Filing cabinets at C.C.R.R. G. H. G. and at each of the 20 Legion Hqs.
- (d) A small number of magnifying glasses and microscopes at C.C.R.R. G. H. G.
- (e) The cost of producing, printing and distributing the Bulletin.
- (f) The cost of the extra stationary, and forms and index cards required.

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Richard Felder
R. P. F. L. M. S. Major.
S. II. C. C. R. R. Branch
N. G. S. I. A.

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- (b) Sufficient typewriters so that every Command has at least one typewriter. Extra typewriters at Legions HQ and at the Criminal Record Office at O.C.R. HQ.
- (c) Filing cabinets at O.C.R. HQ and at each of the 20 Legion Hqs.
- (d) A small number of magnifying glasses and microscopes at O.C.R. HQ.
- (e) The cost of producing, printing, and distributing the Bulletin.
- (f) The cost of the extra stationery, and forms and index cards required.

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Richard Felder
R. P. FELDNER, Major
S9 111 CC RR. Branch
A. M. I. A.

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Subject: Intelligence work of a political nature
being carried out by the Carabinieri.

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26th April 1946

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1. The Carabinieri supply personnel to the War Ministry for service in S.I.L. and the S.I.L. Battalion. The Carabinieri doing this work are not included in the Carabinieri strength, but in the Army strength of 150,000. They are referred by the Army.

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6. Each month every Gruppo, Company and Tenenza send to Legion HQ a consolidated report on all crime, together with Crime Returns, giving the number of each type of offence committed, number of persons wanted and arrested etc. This monthly report includes details of those crimes not previously reported by telegram. Each Legion then sends to Carabinieri C.N.C. a monthly report and Crime Returns.

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7. GQG Carabinieri put all the informations received from the 20 Legions in reports covering the Regions of Italy (Piemonte, Tuscany, etc.). One copy is sent to the Prime Minister and another to the Minister of Interior. I have seen these regional reports compiled at Carabinieri GQG and they include details of the political situation as well as the crime side.

8. This consists of the whole of the crime records at Carabinieri GQG. No attempt is made to even index the names of wanted persons, or index details of the method of committing the crimes etc. GQG Carabinieri merely act as a clearing house for the informations received from the legions.

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11. Responsibility to Investigate Crime.
- (a) In towns and cities.

If the Carabinieri are informed first that a crime has been committed, they must investigate it, and also

inform the Questore. In very serious cases the Carabinieri and Questore Agenti will both try and investigate the same case, with varying degrees of cooperation between the two. In all other cases where the Carabinieri start the enquiry they will complete it alone.

The Carabinieri never interfere or investigate any case which in the first instance was reported to the Questore.

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15. In each case there is always an experienced Marsciallo in charge and most of the men are M.C.Os. They are in almost every case career men. The number of men employed is extremely small when it is remembered that Rome is a city of over a million, and Florence and Bologna each between 300,000 and 400,000. These few

men always work in civilian clothes.

16. M.O.

The Carabinieri have no M.O. system, and if the Scientific Police in Rome have such a system the Carabinieri do not make use of it.

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- Central Index of Wanted persons.
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22. Ministry of Interior Records.

Whatever records are available at the Ministry of Interior they are not used by the Carabinieri.

23. Photography.

The Carabinieri do not possess any cameras.

Important prisoners and persons who commit serious crimes should be taken to the Questura to be photographed. I found that this was done occasionally in Rome and Florence, but not in Bologna, where they have not taken a man to the Questura to be photographed since the liberation.

24. Index collection of photographs of convicted persons.

The Carabinieri do not possess such a collection and the Questura only apparently possesses a collection of persons arrested locally by each Questura. In order to obtain a photograph of a wanted man, the Carabinieri,

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In Florence they occasionally get the Questura or a local photographer to photograph such prints, but nothing seems to be done in Bologna.

29. Most of the armed bandits operating in Emilia are **6961** men, mostly left-wing ex-partisans.

Unfortunately when they are arrested by the Carabinieri they are NOT photographed although they are young men, violent and armed. They are young enough to commit such crimes even after serving a long

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term of imprisonment. The Carabinieri serving in Emilia to-day may know many by sight, but in five years time many of the Carabinieri now in Emilia will have retired or been transferred elsewhere. If these bandits again resort to crime in years to come the difficulty of identifying them, and finding Carabinieri who remember them, will be considerable and an added handicap to those Carabinieri doing criminal investigation work in Emilia at the time.

30. Fingerprints.

The Carabinieri do not take fingerprints, but in serious cases they should take the man to the Questura to be fingerprinted.

The Carabinieri have no one who can classify fingerprints and I am doubtful if they have anyone who can really identify fingerprints.

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Again Carabinieri Officers and M.C.Os have a little knowledge learnt at the school in Florence.

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34. I feel that a very great deal of valuable evidence is being wasted in the north of Italy when so many persons are being killed and wounded. All bullets should be extracted from dead bodies and

all spent cartridges found at the scene of crimes should be sent to one laboratory in the north of Italy. The weapons found in the possession of bandits and thieves should all be sent to this same laboratory and each weapon tested to see if any of the fatal bullets had been fired from it. I am sure that in this way a few more murderers would be found and convicted.

35. Footprints.

The Carabinieri are taught how to preserve and take casts of footprints. They use either plaster of Paris or wax. In Bologna they always first get a local cobbler to measure of the footprints and ascertain the size.

36. The Ministry of Interior publish about every 15 days a Bulletin of Wanted Persons. A copy is sent to each Carabinieri Caserma. However it is of little value because:-

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However this system is far from foolproof, many local Municipios and Courts have been destroyed and many people in this country possess false identity cards, especially those who were seeking to hide their identity from the Germans and Fascists.

38.

How the Carabinieri deal with a wanted person.

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When a crime is reported to the Carabinieri the first available man attends, not an officer. If there is an investigating Squad, which does not occur below company level, then a member of the Squad will be informed and will attend.

If the man responsible for the crime has absconded, the Carabinieri

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The Maresciallo MUST inform the local Questore. If the Maresciallo has reason to believe that the wanted man may have gone to a certain area or province, the Maresciallo writes to the local Questore and Carabinieri in that area asking for enquiries to be made. He may write to a member of Questores and Carabinieri Legions. On the other hand if he has no idea where the wanted man has gone he does nothing, except the insertion in the Bulletin.

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 - (2) have stolen property in their possession, which was stolen elsewhere than the town of arrest or place of birth and residence.

I am quite satisfied that many of these people must escape detection because of the lack of a proper Criminal Record Office, to say nothing of the number of people who escape conviction because no action is taken to preserve and classify fingerprints found at the scene of crimes.

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47. Each Gruppo, Company and Tenenza should have a criminal investigation Squad. An Establishment would have to be worked out because the Gruppi and Companies vary so much in strength because of

the variations in population in different cities and provinces. I think 2 men for each Tenenza would be sufficient, especially if all the N.C.Os had passed through the course at Florence.

49. All men serving in the Criminal Investigating Squads should be career men, and not short term service men.

50. Promotion should be quicker for men serving in the C.I.D. Squads than men doing ordinary duty in the Compagnie and Tenenze. In this way the better and more ambitious Carabinieri would be attracted into C.I.D. Squads. This would attract the best men and raise the efficiency.

51. Criminal Record Offices should be started at each Gruppo Headquarters and at C.M.C. Carabinieri.

All reports on crimes, including wanted and arrested persons, stolen property etc, should be sent to the Gruppo HQ and C.M.C. as well as to the lowest officer level and the legal authorities as they are now.

No doubt a simple crime form could be worked out in Italian and used instead of the present report.

Gruppo H.Q.s would then build up its own Criminal Record and Carabinieri C.M.C.s, receiving reports from all the 111 Gruppi, would build up a Central Criminal Record Office.

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- (a) Wanted Persons.
- (b) Stolen Cars.
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- (d) Notional index of all persons, wanted, convicted, suspected and otherwise coming under Police Notice. Each man's file containing his record.
- (e) Collection of photographs of convicted persons.
- (f) Numbers of motor cars owned and used by thieves, bandits, travelling pickpockets, etc.

52. The present system of keeping a file on all local criminals in each station should be encouraged (see paragraph 19) but a copy of the man's photo and every known details about him should be included on the file. Copies of this file should be at Gruppo HQ and at CCR C.M.C.

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53. I should like to see an M.C. system in operation at each Gruppo HQs and CORR G.H.Q., but the low standard of intelligence on the part of the humble Carabinieri makes this difficult to achieve. I am afraid that it would only throw more work upon the Carabinieri already overworked and the absolute backbone of the Carabinieri. If some very simple type of form could be worked out, which the simple Carabinieri could use, I think the system could be worked with success. The Junior Officers and Maresciallos would soon make good use of the information contained in the M.C. system. I feel that this is a matter for much discussion before being put into operation.

54.

Fingerprints.

The Carabinieri to take the fingerprints of all their prisoners charged with crime and send a copy to Carabinieri G.H.Q. They should be rolled finger impressions.

A central fingerprint index would be built up a CERN HQ, where fingerprints would be classified.

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Fingerprints found at the scene of a crime.

All to be photographed and sent to COMR G.H.Q., where efforts would be made to identify them. If unsuccessful they would be filed away in the scenes of crimes collection.

56.

A small number of men would need expert training in order to be able to do the work mentioned in paragraphs 54 and 55. If they could not be trained by the Scientific Police in Rome, then the only other way would be to bring out some retired or serving Scotland Yard Officer for a year or eighteen months.

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Photography.

At least one camera, with two carabinieri trained to use it, should be available at each of the 111 Gruppo HQs. Photos could then be taken of:-

(a) Every person arrested for crime.

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Copies of (a) and (b) would always be sent to COMR G.H.Q.

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Scientific Aids to Crime Detection and Ballistics.

If the Carabinieri Officers and H.Q.s received adequate instruction at Florence they would soon make good use of their knowledge. They have got to be taught:-

(a) How science can help them.

(b) What to look for at the scene of a crime so as to be able to make use of that aid.

(c) How to preserve what they find and get it safely to the laboratory.

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59.

Bulletin.

The present Ministry of Interior Bulletin is useless. I see no reason why the Carabinieri G.M.C. in Rome should not publish a daily bulletin and distribute it to all Carabinieri Commands. It should contain:-

- (a) full description of the wanted man.
- (b) a photo where available.
- (c) Details and numbers of stolen cars, if not recovered after

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40 hours.

- (d) Details of valuable identifiable stolen property.
- (e) Mailing notices of travelling thieves and gangs, with full description, photos, and car numbers.
- (f) Releases of important criminals from prison. Full description, photo and intended address.
- (g) Gangsters reported from America. Full description, photo and intended addresses.

60. All these improvements which I have recommended for consideration will only be effective when put into daily use as they are in England, and this fact has got to be driven into the heads of the Carabinieri Officers if any of these suggestions are going to be adopted.

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