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ON PATRIOT ACTIVITIES
SEPT. 44 - NOV. 44

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Extract from SECRET REPORT No. 31 of 20 Nov 44.

REMARKS.

Partisans are organising the defence of industrial plants in ITALIA and the VAL MOSCO area but await stores to put the scheme into operation.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
PATRIOT FRONT
ADV. DIV.
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15 November 1944

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1. ACTION ACTIVITIES

(Map Italy 1:200,000) THE MODENA DIVISION

Information as reported to 1st November.

The MODENA Div. under command of ARMANDO occupied VIGGOLI VICO (E 4914) and the valley of VALLEA.

It commands LILIANO (in Belvedere) (L 5213).

The Div. is composed of 6 brigades, namely "BELLINI", "PILLO", "CLAUDIO", "MULIERI", "ALCANTARA", "SARIN".

Strength 300 men to a brigade (approx).

Arms and ammunition: Running short of ammunition, scarcity of arms.

General:

ARMANDO has crossed over to Allied side of the line.

BARCOLINI taken over command; Capt. ARMANDO now I 2 i/o.

A British captain (stated to be 8 Army), at present with BARCOLINI.

In possession of transmitting set. Also an American major named JOHNSON is said to be with BARCOLINI.

[Handwritten signature]
Capt. ARMANDO, I.I.G.

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PATRIOT BRANCH
ADV. DET.
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Enclosed herewith report No. B on Patriot Activities
in PIEMONTE Region.

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B. L. DRAGE
Major, R.A.S.C.

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Map Italy Road 1:200,000

15 November 1944

PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN PIEMONTE REGION

REPORT No. 8

Source of information given below is from H. A.A.I. British Mission of No. 1 Special Force, as at 6 November 1944.

GENERAL.

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He is of the opinion that a General Strike could be staged, chiefly in Piedmont and Lombardy, but that it could be only done once.

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CUNEO PROVINCE. The Fascists occupied the town of ALBA (O 2887) (previously held by the Partisans) on the 3rd of November. A force of over 1,000 men with armour and artillery support was used by the enemy in the attack. Partisan losses were not heavy but their supplies are now very low.

PERSONALITIES. The C.L.N. is known to include the
Avv. PILLEGRINI - Liberal
Ing. ROSELLI - Christian Democrat
" SILVESTRI - Socialist.

MONDOVI COMMITTEE.

Prof. EULHERI - Liberal
Avv. COMATINO - Christian Democrat
Avv. CARRELLI - Action Party
Maestro PIATONE - Socialist.

AOSTA PROVINCE. It is confirmed that VAL D'AOSTA (C 8003, including
TOURNAC. (D-0519) and the frontier with Switzerland
is completely occupied by the Germans.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ref. 73/Pat.

5 Sept., 44.

REPORT NO. 1

PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X

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- REPORT NO 1 -

PATRIOT BANDS IN REGION A: PART I - GENERAL.

1. During the middle of Sept. 44, Oct. Following upon the arrival and the subsequent reestablishment of a Fascist Government, many thousands went into hiding, among them a minority willing to engage in anti-fascist and anti German activities. In the towns, the old anti-fascist organizations which had always existed, absorbed many of the people willing to act against the enemy. New groups were also formed, mainly by officers of the Italian Armed Forces. These Patriots in the towns became organized in GAP's (Gruppi d'Azione Patriottica). The GAP's are small groups necessarily working underground and relatively little is known about them beyond the fact of their existence. In the mountain districts a separation was soon made between members of bands, and those who were simply waiting for the arrival of the Allies. Also in the mountain districts members of the former anti-fascist organizations succeeded in establishing some kind of authority over the bands except for those which were formed by officers and men of the disbanded Italian Army.

2. The political leadership of the Patriot Movement in North Western Italy has been mostly in the hands of the Committees of National Liberation (C.N.L.). A central committee for Northern Italy (C.I.N.I.) had appointed a Military Command with the aim of co-ordinating the efforts of the Patriot Bands. The Military Command was able to bring under its leadership many Patriot Bands but not all of them. At first, a Patriote, a member of the Action Party had been appointed Military Commander. It now appears that the Military Command is composed of three people: a General of the Italian Army, a member of the Action Party, and a member of the Communist Party. This gives representation to the three main elements which have been active in the resistance movement in North Western Italy, viz: Italian Army Patriots (mostly monarchists), Democrete organized in the Action Party (mostly republicans), and Communists.

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3. There has been some liaison between the bands and Allied HQ, and some of the bands may have allied officers attached to them. Patriot Bands in the upper CUMULUS valleys, in VILLI, V.I.P. 105th, V.I.P. 106th, and elsewhere have been in V/T communication with Allied HQ. Although this has not always been continuous, and some stores and arms have been dropped. The C.I.P. regional organizations of Liguria, Piedmont and Lombardy have been contacted by British or American agents.

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4. Were reference is made to "Brigades" and "Divisions" these must be understood more in a political than in a military sense, as the bands of which these formations are made up, are often widely dispersed, and not necessarily always in touch with each other.

Generally speaking, "Cariblan" Brigades are Communist, and "Guastinia e Libertad" Brigades are Action Party.

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PATRIOT BANDS IN REGION X : PART II - LOCATIONS

REF TO: DHP MAP ITALY

1:200,000 SHEETS

6, 7, 10, 11.

1. The information given below is based on intelligence reaching this HQ, up to 2 Sept. but for the most part it shows the position of Patriot Bands in North West Italy as it was at end July. Changes may therefore have occurred, either through enemy mopping up operations, or on the other hand through accessions of strength to the bands consequent upon the recent advances of the Allied armies. Source is Special Forces.

2. Provinces of SPEDIN and GRYNOA : The mountainous areas in the NORTH of the provinces of SPEDIN and GRYNOA, approx area SHEET 11, sq. P 44, 54, 64, are stated to contain elements of the large Patriot concentration, estimated at 4000 to 5000 men in the upper V.I. DI LINO sq. P. 65. These bands which are stated to be mainly under communist leaders, most probably correspond to, or include the 1st Italian Garibaldi Division.

(a) One of these elements, estimated at 300 men was more specifically stated to be in mountainous area WEST of VARESE LIGURE in sq. P 44.

(b) Other Patriot Bands, strength and political affiliations not stated, were reported to be operating in mountainous area WEST of SPEDIN sqs. P. 60, 61, 51.

(c) A band of approx 250 men is reported in area SCOPERA - TORRELLA, SHEET 10, sq. P 15. This band is said to be of moderate political tendencies.

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3. Provinces of GUNOA, SAVONA and CUNEO : Bands estimated to be approx 4000 strong and under the leadership of Italian Army Patriots were reported in the mountainous territory along the borders of GUNOA, SAVONA and CUNEO provinces. Elements of these bands were reported in general area incl. VAL PISIO, SHEET 10, sq. P 93, 94 : - LAIGHE mountains 0 24, 25 : - COL DI LIVA 0 1018 : - COL DI CADISOMA 0 4944. It would appear that latterly the bands in this area have been brought under a unified command and have been divided into three Divisions, viz : - 1st. Alpine Division in VAL PISIO, 2nd Alpine Division in upper TAREO valley sqs 0 12, 23, and 3rd. Alpine Division in the LIGURE.

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4. Provinces of Olmo and TORIN : A group of Patriot bands originally estimated at 3000 men and now reported to have had a considerable influx of new recruits, exists in the Western Alps with elements in VAL D'AMONTE, SHEET 10 sq. H 64, 54, 44, VAL MARELLA, SHEET 7, sqs. H 50, 56, 46, VAL VANDUINA, sqs. H 67, 57, 47, VAL PELLICE, sqs. H 50, 80, VAL CHISONNE H 61, 62, and area of upper valley, VAL GRANA, SHEET 10, sq. H 65, 55. In VAL PELLICE the presence of a well organized "Giustizia e Libertà" (G.L.) Brigade of some 600 men was more specifically reported.

In the upper PO valley a further band some 250 strong was likewise more specifically reported around CHASSOLO SHEET 7, H 592.

These bands are mostly organized in G.L. Brigades under the political leadership of the Democratic and Action parties.

5. Provinces of AOSTA and OSTA : A group of bands estimated at 1000 men are stated to be in VAL SUSA, SHEET 7, sqs. H 73, 83, VAL DI LANGE sq. H 85 and tributary valleys of VAL DI VIU, VAL DI ALPA and VAL GRANDE, VAL LOCATE, SHEET 4, H 96, 86 and area of upper valley.

In VAL SUSA two Garibaldi (Communist) Brigades totalling 900 men were more specifically reported to be around CLAVENS, SHEET 7, H 727, and AVIGLIANA, H 233.

A Garibaldi Division of three "Brigades" is stated to be in control of the entire LANCIO valley. The Division is predominantly communist but contains Italian Army elements.

Bands totalling some 3,000 men were reported in the VAL D'AOSTA, SHEET 4, sq. H 16 and area of upper valley. The bands are reported to be located chiefly in VAL TOUNN, SHEET 10 sq. D 60 and area of upper valley, VAL D'ALPA sq. D 10 and area of upper valley, VAL DI RUPIS, sq. H 99, and VAL CHISCHONNE, sqs. H 53, 69. The band in the VAL TOUNN was stated to be communist, the remainder Action Party and Italian Army Patriots.

(f) VAL GHISSONE H 51, 52, band area of upper valley, VAL
 GHISSONE, SUMMIT 10, sq. H 53, 55. In VAL FILLINSE the
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 (G.I.) Brigade* of some 500 men was more specifi-
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(h) Provinces of EMILIA and ROMAGNA: A group of
 bands estimated at 1000 men are stated to be in VAL
 SUSIA, SUMMIT 7, sq. H 73, 63, VAL DI LAMEO sq. H 85
 and tributary valleys of VAL DI VIB, VAL DI LIMA and
 VAL GRADIN, VAL DI LIMA, SUMMIT 4, H 96, 76 and area of
 upper valley.

(i) In VAL SUSIA two Garibaldi (Communist) Brig-
 ades totalling 900 men were more specifically report-
 ed to be around SILVANO, SUMMIT 7, H 7727, and VAL
 GRADIN, H 7233.

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 communist, the remainder Action Party and Italian
 Army Partisans.

(l) A band some 300 strong was more specifically
 reported to be in the VAL DI LIMA, sq. H 97, with centre
 at NIESSONE H 9370.

note *. The term "Brigades" here normally means a body of
 400-500 men.

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Also more specifically reported is a band of 400 Italian Army Patriots in the hilly section of the CAVALLONE at and around COBRENE, J 0465. Another band was reported at ROCCA CAVALLONE R 9766.

6. Province of VERCELLI and NOVARA : In the areas of BIELLA J 38, VALSUSIA, sq. D 50 and area upper valley, VAL D'OSSOLA, sq. D 51 and area of upper valley, bands totalling 3000-5000 men are reported. Some of these bands are stated to be strong and well organized and under communist control; others were formed and led by Italian Army Patriots. There were also Action Party "Giustizia e Libertà" formations.

The HQ. of the VALSUSIA bands which are communist is stated to be at FIMISCA D 4014. These bands which are under unified control are said to be 600 strong.

7. Province of NOVARA : VAL D'OSSOLA see above. A band of 400 Patriots, thought to be Italian Army Patriots, is in the VAL STORNA, sq. D 61, and upper valley. This band was stated to be communist controlled.

On the MONTAIGNO D 7015 the presence of a band of 350 Action Party Patriots was more specifically reported. These had been involved in mopping-up operations and were stated to have had some 100 casualties.

Another band, political affiliation not stated was also more specifically reported on the slopes of Monte ZEDA sq. D 73. This band was stated to be about 300 strong.

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PATRIOT BANDS IN REGION X : PART III - PERSONALITIES

Province of SPERZA : An Italian Army Source reports the presence of a British band with some 30 British ex POW's with the bands operating WEST of LA SPERZA see Part II para (c). This report was dated 28 July but the information is likely to be considerably older.

Province of CUNEO : Same Italian Army Source mentions a Capt. Goss as commanding Patriots in the VAL PESIO see Part II para (e).

Provinces of CUNEO and TURIN : A leader having the pseudonym of JALLA has been mentioned as being possible in control of the G.I. Brigade in the VAL PELLICE. See Part II para (g). The Italian Army source previously referred to gives a Capt. RIVCIR as being in command of Italian Army Patriots in the same area. Part II para (f).

Provinces of TURIN and AOSTA : The Italian Army source states Gen. VERCELLINI is in command of Italian Army Patriots in the VAL DI LAUZO Part II para (k).

Province of AOSTA : The former fascist leader DE BOCHI is reported in Command of Italian Army Patriots in the VAL D'AOSTA. Part II para (i).

A Capt. RUENIO is reported to be in command of the Italian Army Patriots in the CANNIVESI. See Part II para (n).

Provinces of VERCELLI and NOVARA : It is fairly reliably reported that Col. MOSCATELLI is in command of the communist bands in the VALSESIA. Part II para (p).

A Major SUPORTI is stated to command the band around Mount ZEDA (Novara Province). Part II para (s).

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ADD TO PART III - PERSONALITIES
of Report on Patriot Bands in Region X.

The members of the National Liberation Committee in TURIN are stated to be as follows : -

UGOLINI (Communist Party)
Dott. MARIO ANDREIS (Action Party)
MILANO VENTURI (Action Party)
Rag. PASSONI (Socialist Party)
Prof. GRECO (Liberal Party).

Two of the three members of the Patriot Military Command, see Part I para 2 of Report, are stated to be as follows:

FERRUCCIO RARI

"GILLO" - This pseudonym is likely to cover the same identity as the pseudonym "GILL" in Part III of Report.

10 Sept. '44.

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Memorandum to Report on
Familiarization of Region A

REGIONAL INFORMATION

Station: Map Ref.	Given:	Age	Company	Personnel
<u>Locate prov.</u>				
APVIA SHEET 4 9 7202	DORA BALTEA	32.500	Sec. Reg. Cogné	It has not been possible to obtain the names of the personnel in charge at each station. However a list is given of the principal engineers of the companies concerned, at Turin and Novara
MAEN	D 0517	42.750	Sec. Idaro El. Piedm.	
COVALON	In Marengo valley	45.200	id.	
ISOLLAZ	5 1207	33.000	id.	
CRISCONI TRINIVIA	D 2214	15.000	id.	
<u>Turin Prov.</u>				
PONTE S. MARTINO	J 1737	30.000	id.	Sec. Idarolettri- ca Piemonte (SIF) Via Bertola 40 Turin: Ing. Selmo Luigi Ing. Indreoni Car- lot Ing. Della Verde Agostino Ing. Solari Alex- andro
BAUDONETTO	H 9067	10.780	Comune di To- rino	
ROSSONE	H 3571	54.000	id.	
<u>Turin Prov.</u>				
OROTI SHEET 7 H 6748	LA GHI DAL LA ROSS.	16.000	Sec. Ove- stano	Asianda Elettri- ca Municipale (Comune di Torti- no: Ing. Brunetti Mario
GALLERA SHEET 7 H 7448	STURA DI VIV	18.000	id.	

ALBERTA PROV.

ALBERTA SHEET 4 C 7802	DORA B. DORA	33.600	Soc. Naz. Cogne	It has not been possible to obtain the names of the personnel in charge at each station. However a list is given of the principal engineers of the companies concerned, at Turin and Novara
D 0517	REMOND	42.750	Soc. Idaro El. Fiamm.	
In Marmore valley	id.	46.200	id.	
J 1297	EVANCON	33.000	id.	
D 2214	MOS DO GABRIEL	15.000	id.	

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Turin Prov.

ALBERTA SHEET 7 H 5748	LAGHI DEL LA ROSSA	16.000	Soc. Ovesticino	733
ALBERTA SHEET 7 H 7448	STURA DI VIU	16.000	id.	
K 4417	ROCHENOLLES E HELLERST	21.000	PR. SS.	
H 4939	DORA DIF. AL.	18.900	Comune di Torino	
H 5540	id.	10.500	id.	
some area	GENISCHIA	48.000	Soc. Flor. Piedmont.	

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Station: Map Ref. City: Company Personnel:

Cureo Prov.

CALCINERA	N 6589	PO B LENTA	24.000	Soc. Electr. Piedmont
CASTELDUZZINO	N 5179	VARELA	26.000	Unione Prod. Energ. Elet.
SANREYRE	N 6077	id.	35.200	id.

Appendix "B" to Report on
Patriot Bands in Region X.

CEMENT : Province of VERCELLI : Sternit - Cementifera Italia-
na - Piemontese Cementi e Cal-
ce - Italcementi - Unione Cementi Marchino - all at
CASLE MONTERRATO.

Province of GENOA : Soc. An. "Italia" GENOA
Province of IMPERIA : itcm IMPERIA
Italcementi, IMPERIA and RAPALLO.

SULPHURIC ACID :

Province of VERCELLI Montecatini - Director Ing.
BRIZZI.
- CUNEO, SOPALE, and VERCELLI. "Ammonia e Derivati
Soc. An. SIF GIUSEPPE DI CAIRO (three plants).
Province of TURIN Montecatini at AIN-DELL DI STUR.
Province of ALESSANDRIA " at SPIGHEA MARINO,
Director is Dott. Harlo, and also at POZZUOLO FORMI-
GNO.

GLASSIC SODA :

Province of MURIN : Stabilimento Romiano, BERGAMO
TORINENSE.

CELLULOSE :

Province of CUNEO : Cellulose Italiana (Credito) CUNEO.
Province of SAVONA : Montecatini (Soc. Italiana
Cellulose e Derivati) VERBAIA, near CUNEO MONTERRATO.

KRAFT PAPER :

Province of CUNEO : Cellulose Italiana (Credito)
CUNEO.
Province of VERCELLI : Teatre Cellulose, CUNEO
L. MONTERRATO.

Appendix "C"PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X -
EXTRACTS FROM PWD SUMMARY

LIGURIA : Will the allies also land in LIGURIA? The entry into PIEDMONT from the sea is open owing to present partisan activities there. From IMPERIA the Germans attempted mopping up operations in the direction of the Partisans occupied coast. The Partisans however repelled the Germans at DINO CASTELLO, capturing a considerable amount of war material, as well as part of the DIANO MARINA, and several other localities. German and Fascist motorized column consisting of 1000 men was ambushed at FIEVE DI TICO and 100 men were lost. In the NIVIA valley, Germans and Fascists pillaged and burned villages, but were finally chased away.

Partisans captured the GMR barracks at CASTIGLIONE, CHIAVARI and BURGONE, including an arms depot, and large stocks of food ready to be sent to Germany. At BORDIGHERA Partisans captured a wheat truck ready to leave for France. At BORGATEL they captured three German WOC's and liberated a group of 60 men who were about to be sent to Germany. At PIANDETTE they overpowered the garrison.

Source : Tribune de Geneve 15.8.44

NOVARA : Fascist newspaper LIBERA STAMPA: LUGANO publishes decree signed by BLANCA, Prefect of Novara Province, concerning reprisals to be taken against those assisting Patriots.

Source : Libera Stampa, Lugano 14.8.44.

AOSTA : Mario CAVALLINO has been appointed Prefect Commissioner of AOSTA.

Source : F.W.B. Radio Monitoring 27.8.44.

NOVARA : Enrico VEZZALINI has been nominated Head of the Province of Novara in place of GIUSEPPE BARELLA who has been called to other duties. Source: Corriere della Sera, Milano 9.8.44.

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Source : Tribune de Geneve 15.8.44

NOVARA : Fascist newspaper LIBERA STAMPA: NOVARA publishes decree signed by ALBERTI, Prefect of Novara Province, concerning reprisals to be taken against those assisting patriots.

Source : Libera Stampa, Lugano 14.8.44.

AOSTA : Mario CALVINO has been appointed Prefect Commissioner of AOSTA.

Source : E.W.B. Radio Monitoring 27.8.44.

NOVARA : Enrico VIZZINI has been nominated Head of the Province of Novara in place of GI-SPADE BARBANA who has been called to other duties.

Source : Corriere della Sera, Milano, 9.8.44.

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TURIN : Ingegnere Lorenzo TRADY and Squadrista
Carlo POLICHI have been nominated Vice-
Federal Commissioners for TURIN.
Source: Italian Home Service 12.8.44.

ALESSANDRIA : Pietro SMU has been appointed Federal
Commissioner of Alessandria Province.
Source: Italian Home Service 12.8.44.

TURIN : Life in TURIN depends on the Partisans
(Patriots) as even Stampa is forced to
admit. The newspaper states that the city's entire
electricity supply is controlled by the Patriots
who have seized all the power plants and are able
to deliver or cut off power as they like.
Source: Arbeiter Zeitung, Basel 10.8.44.

Appendix "B" to Report on
Fascist Bands in Region X.

NOMINATIONS FOR PUBLIC OFFICE SUBMITTED BY POLITICAL PARTIES.

Names of persons nominated for public office by the various political parties are given below in order of Provinces. Particulars of such persons, where given, have been supplied by the political party nominating them.

The Communist, Socialist, and Action parties, while giving some names, have intimated that their nominees will be put forward by their representatives on the Committees of National Liberation in the various provinces.

1. PIEDMONT : PROVINCE OF TURIN .

(a) LIBERAL PARTY NOMINATIONS :

- (i) For Prefect. 'On avv. Bruno VILLABUONO.
Member of Parliament prior to 1932.
Podeste of Turin from 25 July until
occupation of City by German troops.
Was never member of Fascist Party.
- (ii) For Mayor of Turin, avv. Guido VILZONI.
Stated to have been arrested by Germans.
Never member of Fascist Party.
- (iii) For public office generally. 'On Dante
CODA. Stated to have been noted anti-
Fascist many times arrested. Prof. Fi-
lippo JURETTO. Assumed position of Di-
rector of Stampa (Turin daily) on 25
July 43, before city occupied by
Germans. Never a member of Fascist
Party. Dott. Giovanni MILEZZI. This
man who is Director-General of the IRI
is stated to be an industrialist having
valuable contacts throughout the area.
No fascist antecedents.

(b) CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY NOMINATIONS:

Names of persons mentioned by the various political parties are given below in order or Provinces. Particulars of such persons, where given, have been supplied by the political party nominating them.

The Communist, Socialist, and Action parties, while giving some names, have intimated that their nominees will be put forward by their representatives on the Committees of Regional Liberation in the various provinces.

1. PIEDMONT : PROVINCE OF TURIN

(a) LIBERAL PARTY NOMINATIONS :

(i) For Prefect. On. avv. Bruno VILLAREMO.
Member of Parliament prior to 1938.
Podesta of Turin from 25 July until
occupation of City by German troops.
Was never member of Fascist Party.

(ii) For Mayor of Turin. avv. Guido VILLORELLI.
Stated to have been arrested by Germans.
Never member of Fascist Party.

(iii) For public office generally. On Rando CODA. Stated to have been noted anti-Fascist many times arrested. Prof. Pi-lype DUNZIO. Assumed position of Director of Stampa (Turin daily) on 25 July 43, before city occupied by Germans. Never a member of Fascist Party. Dott. Giovanni MANFREDI. This man who is Director-General of the IRI is stated to be an industrialist having valuable contacts throughout the area.
No fascist antecedents.

(b) CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY NOMINATIONS:

(i) For public office generally : EUGENIO LUCASATO
avv. Andrea, avv. Eugenio LUCASATO, ing.
Mario GELMI, Prof. Consolato RAINERI.

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(c) SOCIALIST PARTY NOMINATIONS :

- (i) For public office generally. Avv. Riccardo MONTICELLI, Reg. Pietro RISSONI.

(d) COMMUNIST PARTY NOMINATIONS :

- (i) For public office generally. Paolo SCARFONE, Gerardo COMOLLO, Romano BUSSONE, Oswaldo DECAVILLIS.

(e) ACTION PARTY NOMINATIONS :

- (i) For Prefect. Domenico Riccardo PIRELLI GRIVA. Described as a magistrate and a Counsellor of the Court of Cassation. No fascist antecedents.

- (ii) For Mayor of Turin. Dacato BACCHI. Member of the City Council from 1906 until it's suppression by the fascist regime. Described as an economic expert, and as an administrator who held various posts in the public service before fascism. No fascist antecedents.

- (iii) For Commissioner for the Gazzetta del Popolo. (Turin daily) : Dott. Franco VENTURI, or Prof. Augusto MONTI, both well known anti-fascists many times imprisoned.

2. LIGURIA : PROVINCE OF GENOA.

(a) LIBERAL PARTY NOMINATIONS:

- (i) Federico RICCI. Senator, mayor of the city for many years. Resigned on the occasion of first Mussolini's visit to Genoa, as he did not want to confer on him the honorary citizenship. On July 25th 1943, was sequestrated publicly in the streets of Genoa. Transferred the ownership of this trading concern to his employees.

- (ii) Avv. Arturo CARASSI. Belongs to a family of traditionally republican feelings. His father and grandfather were amongst Mazzini's followers. Constantly opposed fascism.

(3) ACTION PARTY NOMINATIONS :

- (i) For Prefect. Domenico Riecardo PERLOTTI GRIVIA. Described as a magistrate and a Counsellor of the Court of Cassation. No fascist antecedents.
- (ii) For Mayor of Turin. Donato BUCHI. Member of the City Council from 1906 until it's suppression by the Fascist regime. Described as an economic expert, and as an administrator who held various posts in the public service before fascism. No fascist antecedents.
- (iii) For Commissioner for the Gazette del Popolo. (Turin daily) ; Dott. Treneo VITELLI, or Prof. Augusto MONTI, both well known anti-fascists many times imprisoned.

2. LIGURIA : PROVINCE OF GENOA.

(a) LIBERAL PARTY NOMINATIONS:

- (i) Federico RICCI. Senator, mayor of the city for many years. Resigned on the occasion of first Mussolini's visit to Genoa, as he did not want to confer on him the honorary citizenship. On July 25th 1943, was acclaimed publicly in the streets of Genoa. Transferred the ownership of this trading concern to his employees.
- (ii) Avv. Arturo GARCASSI. Belongs to a family of traditionally republican feelings. His father and grandfather were amongst Mazzini's followers. Constantly opposed fascism.
- (iii) Avv. Luigi ROSCIANO. Counsellor in the last Liberal Town Council before 1922. Always opposed to fascism.
- (iv) Marchese Ludovico PALLAVICINI. One of the most eminent opponents of fascism amongst the Genoa aristocratic circles. Belongs to a very wealthy family.
- (v) Rocco FLAGGIO. Wealthy industrialist, very well known in the City of London. He was never a member of the fascist party.

(b) COMMUNIST PARTY NOMINATIONS :

PIER AGOSTINI
LUCARELLI
TONINI
TUCCI

(c) SOCIALIST PARTY NOMINATIONS :

On. Vannuccio FERRARI, Via Largo Bisceglia Isona
29.
Avv. Dante BRUZZONE, Via Campbelli, 10.

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PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X: PIEMONTE AND LIGURIA.

Ref. Map Italy road 1:200,000.

1. Source of information given below in Special Ops Sitreps Nos. 15-18 covering period first half Sept.
2. AAI representative's contact with GLN in MILAN (see Report No. 3). AAI representative reports that the Liberal and Christian Democratic Parties wish him to assume complete control of the GLN. Other Parties want him on the operational triumvirate with Payni and Gallo. (See Report No. 1, Part III: - Personalities).

Note. "Gallo" is pseudonym of Communist Party Chief of Patriot Unified Command which is centered at MILAN, and whose real name is Luigi Longo, born at TURIN in 1899. He shares the command with Ferruccio Paris who is also stated to have been a leader of Patriot Bands. "Gallo" might be described as a career communist who has been active in the Communist Movement in Italy since its inception, and before fascism held the posts of Secretary of Young Communist's in Turin, and later Secretary of Italian Communist Youth Federation. He went to Russia in 1924 and became a Russian subject. Together with Togliatti (now President of Communist Party in Italy and Minister without Portfolio in Bonomi Govt.) he became one of the heads of Italian Communist Movement and a member of the Comintern. He held the post of Inspector General of International Brigades in Spain during the civil war.

3. Part I: Locations and Strengths of Patriot Bands.

Piedmont: Novara Province.

Among the Patriots in VAL D'OSSOLA, the presence of an element known as the DEDIO Band is reported around MORIE MISSONE, SHEET 4, sq. D 62. This band is said to have 600 well armed and well disciplined members without political affiliations.

4. On 16 Sept. Patriots occupied CAMOGGIO, SHEET 4, sq. D 93, on lake MACCIONE. Patriots now stated to control almost entire D'OSSOLA region.

Part II: Incidents.

5. Liguria: Spezia Province and borders.

Fascist Monte Rosa Div. lost 30 killed and 100 POW in battle 14-16 Sept. in SE Liguria. (No further particulars given).

6. Road bridges over TARO river SW of BERTONIA, SHEET 11, P55, destroyed 9 Sept. after having been rebuilt by Germans following previous demolition by Patriots.

Other Parties wish him to assume complete control of the CIM. Other Parties want him on the operational triumvirate with Peri and Gello. (See Report No. 1, Part III: - Personalities).

Note. "Gello" is pseudonym of Communist Party Chief on Patriot Unified Command which is centered at MILAN, and whose real name is Luigi Longo, born at TURIN in 1899. He shares the command with Ferruccio Peri who is also stated to have been a leader of Patriot Bands. "Gello" might be described as a career communist who has been active in the Communist Movement in Italy since its inception, and before fascism held the posts of Secretary of Young Communist's in Turin, and later Secretary of Italian Communist Youth Federation. He went to Russia in 1924 and became a Russian subject. Together with Togliatti (now President of Communist Party in Italy and Minister without Portfolio in Bonomi Govt.) he became one of the heads of Italian Communist Movement and a member of the Comintern. He held the post of Inspector General of International Brigades in Spain during the civil war.

3. Part I : Locations and Strengths of Patriot Bands.

Piedmont : Novara Province.

Among the Patriots in VAL D'OSSOLA, the presence of an element known as the DIDIO Band is reported around MONTE MASSONE, SHEET 4, sq. D 52. This band is said to have 500 well armed and well disciplined members without political affiliations.

4. On 16 Sept. Patriots occupied CANNOBIO, SHEET 4, sq. D 93, on lake MAGGIORE. Patriots now started to control almost entire D'OSSOLA region.

Part II : Incidents.

5. Liguria : Spezia Province and borders.

Fascist Monte Rosa Div. lost 80 killed and 100 POW in battle 14-16 Sept. in SE Liguria. (No further particulars given).

6. Road bridges over TARO river SW of BEDONIA, SHEET 11, P35, destroyed 9 Sept. after having been rebuilt by Germans following previous demolition by Patriots.

7. Enemy force 500 strong engaged Patriots holding CARRATO PASS, SHEET 11, P 9931, and fierce two hours battle ensued during which Patriots forced to withdraw to hills, after inflicting casualties.

Note. These Patriots probably element of 2nd. Alpine Div. in Upper TAVARO VALLEY (see Report No. 1, Part II, para 3).

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REPORT NO. 3

PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X : PIEDMONT.

Ref. Road Map. Italy 1:200,000.

1. Source of information given below is Special Ops Sitreps Nos. 11-14 covering first half Sept.
2. AAI representative has met political and military committees in ITALIA and was welcomed by all parties. Provincial Commands with direct control over bands are to be recognised by Committee. Representative says Committee works in apparent harmony, but Communist and "Giustizia & Libertà" (Action Party) representatives dominate military executive.

3. Part I : Locations and Strengths.

Province of Aosta. - Heavy fighting reported in VAL D'AOSTA around QUARTO PRATONIA, SHEET 4 C-8605. Patriots report 400 enemy casualties. Own casualties heavy, and Patriots forced to withdraw to lateral valleys.

4. Novara Province. - Patriots in valleys WEST of lake MICHIELLE have resumed the offensive with general tendency of ops in Southerly direction towards PO valley. (Note. These probably identical with the Garibaldi Div. commanded by Gen. Moscatelli. See Report No. 2.).

5. Part II : Incidents.

Province of Cuneo, Bridge at S. MICHELLE, SHEET 10, O-1650, blown by Patriots and all road rail traffic CUNEA-MONDOVI stopped. Det. cols. attacked some area. Patriots reported to be forcing workers to cease work in war factories in Cuneo Province.

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3. Part I : Locations and Strongholds.
Province of Aosta. - Heavy fighting reported in VAL D'AOSTA around QUARTO PRATOIA, SHEET 4 C-8605. Patriots report 400 enemy casualties. Own casualties heavy, and Patriots forced to withdraw to lateral valleys.
4. Novara Province. - Patriots in valleys WEST of lake MIGNONIA have resumed the offensive with general tendency of ops in Southern direction towards PO valley. (Note. These probably identical with the Garibaldi Div. commanded by Gen. Moscatelli. See Report No. 2.).
5. Part II : Incidents.
Province of Cuneo. Bridge at S. MICHELLE, SHEET 10, C-1650, blown by Patriots and all road rail traffic CIVA-MONTECVI stopped. Tpt. colic. attacked same area. Patriots reported to be forcing workers to cease work in war factories in Cuneo Province.
6. Province of Turin. - Bridge at POUVERDES, SHEET 7, H-4930 blown.
7. Province of Novara. - Patriots in VAL D'OSSOLA area claim following bag for Aug. Bridges blown: 13, locomotives destroyed: 14, Ry wagons destroyed: 123.
8. Province of Alessandria. - Enemy losses 31 killed and POW, and 2 vehs. destroyed in brush with Patriot at ACOUI, SHEET 7, C-6281.

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REPORT NO. 3

PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X: LIGURIA.

Ref. Need Map. Italy 1:200,000.

1. Source of information given below is Special Ops. Sitrepa Nos. 11-14 covering first half Sept.
2. AA1 representative has met political and military committees in MILAN and was welcomed by all parties. Provincial Commands with direct control over bands are to be recognised by the Committee. Representative says Committee works in apparent harmony, but Communist and "Giustizia & Libertà" (Action Party) representatives dominate military executive.
3. Part I : Locations and Strengths.
Imperia Province : DIAMO MARINO, SHEET 10 T-2497, occupied by Patriots after clash with SAH M.RCO (Fascist) Div. during which latter roughly handled.
4. Part II : Incidents.
Spezia Province. Extensive sabotage continues to be reported SPERZA area. Borghini, Comd. of Black (Fascist) Bde. in SPERZA executed by Patriots.

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REPORT NO. 2

PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X -

PIEDMONT AND LIGURIA

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PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X -

PIEDMONT AND LIGURIA

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REPORT NO. 2PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X.Piedmont.

1. Part.1 : Strength and Locations; Further to previous report, strengths and locations of Patriot Bands in Piedmont are modified as follows. Information given may be taken to show position as at beginning Sept. Source is Special OPS Sitrep Nos. 9 & 10.

2. Mopping up operations have been going on in Piedmont generally, and total of Patriots is now estimated as 12,000 armed, 18,000 unarmed.

Province of Turin.

3. Patriot Bands in VAL CHISONE previously reported, are now reported as a "MAMMOTTI BRIGADE", and following recent mopping-up operations, have regrouped in smaller bands operating in general area I. ALBERGIAN, SHEET 7, H 4036, - CLAVICO, H 7728 - LUSSENA, H 6602, with total effectives estimated at 1560 men.

Province of Cuneo.

4. Bands in VAL SOURA area reported by Allied Liaison Officer as to strengths and locations as follows:

Patriot Band, strength approx. 140 at MOLLIERE,	SHEET 10, N 1530
"	300 SOUTH OF DELONTE
"	SHEET N 6747
"	300 VAL GESSO, sq. N 74
"	150 ST. Biene

(This village not shown on 200,000 Map, but must be same area. Name probably now Italianised).

Province of Novara.

5. The Garibaldi Div. commanded by Gen. MOSCATI LI now operating throughout SESIA and ALESSIA valleys east of Lake ORTA, Sheet 4 sq. D60, with total

follows. Information given may be taken to show position as at beginning Sept. Source is Special OPS Sitrep Nos. 9 & 10.

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3. Province of Turin.
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4. Province of Cuneo.
Bands in VAL STURIA area reported by Allied Liaison Officer as to strengths and locations as follows:

Patriot Band, strength approx. 140 at MOLLIERE,	
"	SHEET 10, N 1530
"	300 SOUTH OF DELOYTE
"	SHEET N 8747
"	300 VAL GESSO, sq. N 74
"	150 ST. Aienne

(This village not shown on 200,000 Map, but must be same area. Name probably now Italianised).

5. Province of Novara.
The Garibaldi Div. commanded by Gen. MOSCATI LI now operating throughout SESIA and ALESSCA valleys WEST of Lake ORTA, Sheet 4 sq. D60, with total effectives approx 2000 men.

6. Liguria.
Province of Genoa : Ligurian Garibaldi Divs.
now reported as 3rd. and 4th. regrouped after
recent German drives, now moving towards GENOA
with elements operating on roads CUIAVARI,
SHEET 11, sq. P 23, - GENOA, and PIACENZA -
GENOA.

Part II: Incidents. Incidents due to Patriot
activity beginning Sept. reported as follows:

7. Piedmont: Province of Novara.
Amitions factory destroyed at BORGOMARE,
SHEET 4, J 7093. Last remaining railway line
MILAN-DOMODOSSOLA cut DOMODOSSOLA, sq. D 54.
Road-rail bridge over CAVOUR canal destroyed
at TORRIGLIANA, SHEET 4, J. 5464.

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RESISTANCE ACTIVITIES IN REGION
PIEMONTE AND LIGURIA - REPORT
NO 5 - POLITICAL

1. Information below is compiled from HUBNER sitreps 1 - 5 giving recent political developments up to 22 Sept. These are issued by No 1 Special Force who have "missions" i.e. British Liaison Officers (BLOs) in German occupied territory.

GENERAL

2. AAI representative's contact with OLM in MILAN further to Reports 3 and 4. Identity of this representative is now revealed as Gen. **SADONNA**, an Italian Army General of neutral political background. HUBNER sitrep reads: "Mission BERGAMO area reports that Gen. **SADONNA**'s position is under discussion. The Liberals and the Christian Democrats favour one Command only. Other parties wish to attach **SADONNA** with **PARMI** and **GALLO** (see Report No 4) to operational Command. A more detailed directive from the allied Command and the Italian Government would cut short further discussion."

3. The OLM General Command includes one member from each of the five political parties, plus one military adviser. The Command has an operations section consisting of representatives of Action Party, Communist Party, and the military adviser. This section practically controls the Command. The Communists who supply not only the majority of members but also secretaries and couriers are a preponderant influence.

No officer has as yet been appointed to command the OLM. The candidacy of General **SADONNA** is not considered feasible owing to lack of agreement on other appointments. **SADONNA** is therefore acting as military adviser.

The Central HQ controls directly the MILAN Command, and the Regional Commands from which depend the bands either directly or through wane commands. Independent forces still, however, exist. There are 21 wane commands: 5 for **IMBRIA**, 2 for **IMBRIA**, 5 for **STEDMONTE**, 4 for **LOMBARDY**, 5 for **VERDE**.

PIEDMONTE

4. Major **TER**, BLO CUNEO area has had talks with Major **TER**, Aide de Camp to General **TER** who is described as commanding **TER** resistance movement. (Note: Probable that General **TER** is military member and adviser. See Part III. Personalities

to Reports 3 and 4. ~~_____~~ is now revealed as Gen. ~~_____~~, an Italian Army General of neutral political background. ~~_____~~ MUSTER sitrep reads: "Mission BERGAMO area reports that Gen. ~~_____~~'s position is under discussion. The Liberals and the Christian Democrats favour one Command only. Other parties wish to attach ~~_____~~ with PARI and GALLO (see Report No 4) to operational Command and the A more detailed directive from the allied Command and the Italian Government would cut short further discussion."

3. The CLM General Command includes one member from each of the five political parties, plus one military adviser. The Command has an operations section consisting of representatives of Italian Party, Communist Party, and the military adviser. This section practically controls the Command. The Communists who supply not only the majority of members but also secretaries and couriers are a preponderant influence.

No officer has as yet been appointed to command the CLM. The candidacy of General ~~_____~~ is not considered feasible owing to lack of agreement on other appointments. ~~_____~~ is therefore acting as military adviser.

The Central HQ controls directly the MILAN Command, and the Regional Commands from which depend the bands either directly or through zone commands. Independent forces still, however, exist. There are 21 zone commands: 5 for ~~_____~~, 2 for ~~_____~~, 5 for ~~_____~~, 4 for ~~_____~~, 5 for ~~_____~~.

PIEDMONT

4. Major ~~_____~~ BLO CUNEO area has had talks with Major ~~_____~~ who is ~~_____~~ (Note: described as commanding TURIN resistance movement. Note: Probable that General ~~_____~~ is military member and adviser of TURIN Liberation Committee: see Part III. Personalities of Report No 1 - but as the Resistance Movement in TURIN includes strong communist elements, notably the GIPB, it is doubtful whether his control extends beyond the purely military

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sphere. General ~~TRABUCCHI~~ was formerly chief of staff to Italian 4th Army) (B.C.O.)

Major ~~TERRELL~~ gained the impression that the TURIN committee was more interested in the political than in the military aspect. Gen. ~~TRABUCCHI~~ wished ~~TRABUCCHI~~ to visit TURIN to boost morale and galvanize Military Committee to some action.

General ~~TRABUCCHI~~ considers it unlikely that Fascists will surrender when Germans pull out. At present Fascists too strong for Patriots to overcome unaided.

Piedmonte Cuneo Province

5. It has been confirmed that an Italian Major ~~MAURI~~ is in effective control of Patriotic Bands in CUNEO area. (Note: These bands are probably the bands in valleys West of CUNEO, VAL STURA, VAL DEMONTE etc.) A message has been received from Major ~~MAURI~~ addressed to Gen. ~~ALF-~~ ~~ZANDER~~ stating that everything is arranged for reconstruction during period between the enemy's withdrawal and the Allies arrival. He is ready to occupy CEVA, MONDOVI, CUNEO, FOSSANO, BRA and AIBA and to advance on TURIN. He will reestablish public administration in all the areas in which he is operating. No I Special Force are requesting Major ~~MAURI~~ to coordinate his plans with Major ~~TERRELL~~, BUC, CUNEO and NOVARA Province.

6. Situation in VAL DOSSOLA has been complicated by the unrestricted activities of ~~MAURI~~ (This personality is known to NoI Special Force but to date it has not been possible to obtain any further information about him.)

~~MAURI~~ (this is personality also known to NoI Special Force but no further information) has gone to command valley. He is reputed to be honest and will try keep out of party politics. In order to strengthen ~~MAURI~~'s position and to counter possibility of a communist coup

General ~~MAURI~~ considers it unlikely that Fascists will surrender when Germans pull out. At present Fascists too strong for Patriots to overcome unaided.

Piedmonte Cuneo Province

5. It has been confirmed that an Italian Major ~~MAURI~~ is in effective control of Patriotic Bands in CUNEO area. (Note: These bands are probably the bands in valleys West of CUNEO, VAL STURA, VAL DEMONTE etc.) A message has been received from Major ~~MAURI~~ addressed to Gen. ALEXANDER stating that everything is arranged for reconstruction during period between the enemy's withdrawal and the Allies arrival. He is ready to occupy OEVA, MONDOVI, CUNEO, FOSSANO, BRA and ALEX and to advance on TURIN. He will reestablish public administration in all the areas in which he is operating. No I Special Force are requesting Major MAURI to coordinate his plans with Major ~~MAURI~~, BNO, CUNEO area, NOVARA Province.

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MOMELLA (this is personality also known to NOI Special Force but no further information) has gone to command valley. He is reputed to be honest and will try keep out of party politics. In order to strengthen MOMELLA's position and to counter possibility of a communist coup by MOSCATELLI (Gen. MOSCATELLI in command of Garibaldi Formations this area previously reported) SANDRO (who has been preserved by CIVIL as political commissioner and ~~BOSSA~~) (also known to NOI Special Force) but no further information obtainable to date) our (special Force) SWISS representative has instructed Lieutenant ~~BRUNSON~~, British Liaison Officer to support MOMELLA.

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REPORT ACTIVITIES IN REGION X: PIREMONT AND LIGURIA.
REPORT NO. 61 OF 6 GENERAL & POLITICAL.

1. Source of information given X below is No. 1 Special Force "MUSKAT" Progress report for week ending 23 Oct. 1944.

2. No. 1 Special Force are organizing parties "Missions" to be sent in to the liberated areas by quickest possible means at the moment that organized enemy resistance ceases.

The Missions are now ready to go in to the three Regional Capitals: MILAN, TURIN, GENOA. Master Report reads:- "These three Missions are made up as follows:-

- (a) Head of Mission
- (b) 2 i/c
- (c) P.W.B. Representative
- (d) Radio Officer
- (e) Medical Officer
- (f) W/T operator
- (g) G.D. men, medical orderlies, interpreters, etc.

The preparation of these missions has been our first priority and it is hoped to infiltrate an advance party from each of them during the coming week. The intention is that the advance parties should establish contact with the Regional Committee of Liberation to discuss future plans, and to organize the protection of public utilities before or during the enemy withdrawal. The remaining members of the mission will follow as soon as it appears desirable.

Missions to the Provincial Capitals are smaller and will consist of the following:-

- (a) Head of Mission
- (b) 2 i/c
- (c) W/T Operator
- (d) G.D. men.

Progress has also been made in preparing the field for action in the event of "MILAN B & C" conditions arising, and to receive our special missions. General preparatory directives have been passed to the G.D.A.I., and to the Regional Committees of Liberation and other Resistance Organizations, instructing them to organize themselves to preserve law and order, and safeguard public utilities, official records etc. in the event of an enemy withdrawal from their areas before the arrival of allied troops. "In Milan at Major Temple (BIO CUNEO area) secretary (as reports) has been invited by the TURIN Committee of Liberation to go to TURIN and discuss the situation with the Committee. In addition to the above we have sent instructions for representatives of the GENOA and TURIN committees fully briefed on the political, military and economic situation, to come out and give us an

- (a) Head of Mission
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- (c) P.M.B. Rep. representative
- (d) Radio Officer
- (e) Medical Officer
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- (a) Head of Mission
- (b) 2 i/c
- (c) W/T Operator
- (d) O.D. mount.

Progress has also been made in preparing the field for action in the event of an enemy B & C condition arising, and to reprieve our special missions. General headquarters directed it have been passed to the G.I.M.A.I. and to the Regional Committees of liberation and other Resistance Organizations, instructing them to organize themselves to preserve law and order, and safeguard public utilities, official records etc. in the event of an enemy withdrawal from their areas before the arrival of allied troops. "On 11th May Major Temple (M.O. G.I.M.A.I. secretariat reports) has been invited by the TUNIS Committee of liberation to go to TUNIS and discuss the situation with the Committee. In addition to the above we have sent instructions for representatives of the G.I.M.A.I. and TUNIS committees fully briefed on the political military and economic situation, to come out and give us an up to date picture of the situation. It is hoped that these representatives will report to S.O.S. Missions in Southern France during the next few days. (S.O.S. = Special Ops. Sec.) ... "Town Commands have been established for MILAN and TUNIS the first coming directly under the G.I.M.A.I. has been given to General S.M. GUCHI. The second coming under the TUNIS Regional Committee has been given to General TADUCCI.

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PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN LIGURIA REGION: REPORT
NO 6. LOCATIONS & STRENGTHS OF PATRIOT BANDS

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Where formations or bands extend, or are located over the Regional boundary, they have been included in this report, as such elements may move into the Region when the German withdrawal takes place, either in accordance with a role assigned to them by Allied HQ or of their own accord.

2. Imperia Province and Borders. 2 Ligurian Carabinieri (Police Cascio) Div is in approx area incl M. VIOCHE, SM 10, sq. N 91 - OLIVA, sq. 0 12 - BADALUCCO, 0 0600 - STELLAMELLO, 0 2468. Bdes are located as follows:

- 1 Bde. leader "Cion" is North of MENDRICA 0 0518
- 2 Bde. leader "Romolo" is around PIVE DI PECO sq. 0 01
- 3 Bde. leader "MANZINI" is around CIA DI LANGAN SW of TRICIA 0 0109
- 4 Bde. leader "Ciane" is around M GRANDE 0 0708
- 5 Bde. leader "Vittorio" is around PIGNA N 9304
- 6 Bde. is at CESTICO 0 2208

The Bde. leader of approx 500 men, th. The C is no information sent to which they are ordered. The Div. Commander

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Imperia Province and Borders. 2 Ligurian Garibaldi (Felice Cascone) Div is in approx area incl M. VASCOE, SH 10, sq. N 91 - GRUBA, sq. 0 12 - BADALUSSO, 0 0600 - STELLAVELLO, 0 2408. Bdes are located as follows:

- 1 Bde, leader "Cion" is North of MONTECA 0 0518
- 2 Bde, leader "Tonclo" is around PIENTE DI RECO sq. 0 21
- 3 Bde, leader "MANZINI" is around OLA DI LANGAN SW of TRACCA 0 0109
- 4 Bde, leader "Giame" is around LA GARDE 0 0708
- 5 Bde, leader "Vittorio" is around PIGNA N 9304
- 6 Bde, leader "Vestico" 0 2208

The Bde. names are of approx 500 strength. There is no information as to the extent to which they are armed. The D.M. Commander is one "C. 10".

3. Savona and Genoa Provinces and Borders. The following bands and formations are located in this area.

8 Garibaldi Brigade. Leader "Bisagui". Location CERRIGALLI SH 6 P 3376. No further information. (Border of Piacenza Prov)

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9 Garibaldi Brigade. Leader not known. Location TORRICIA SH 10 P 1660 (Genoa Province)
 16 Garibaldi Brigade: 2 dets, one at MARAGLIA SH 8 P 3480, strength 700, well armed, leader "Enzio", the other at CAMILLONA P 3670 strength 2-300 well armed, leader Lt. "Montenegrina" (Border of Piacenza Prov)
 74 Garibaldi Brigade: Location is PONTONE SH 7 0 4071. No other information (Border of Alessandria Prov)
 Agui Band. Leader "Luciadu" strength 300, well armed. Location is AQUA O 4380 (Border of Alessandria Prov)
 Malero Band is located at RIABO SH 10 0 4332. No further information. (Savona Prov)
 1500 Partisans were reported North of CALDO LIGURE P 8065 on either side of the R STURA. This report is unconfirmed. (Genoa Province)

4. Spezia Province and Borders 1 Ligurian Garibaldi Div. is in Spezia Province and over the border into Parma Province. This Div is well armed and well organized and is in W/T communication with Allied HQ. Three BLO's are attached to the Div. - "Col Clifford" "Maj Taylor" and "Maj Lett". Command is Col Fontana. Elements are located as follows:-

OSAGIA SH 11 P 6462 500 men, Lt. MOLINARO P 7253 700 men, S. NITTORE P 6146 700 men, NAVOLO P 6717 1000 men,

The following bands are independent but work with the

1 Ligurian Garibaldi Div:

Rossone Band; strength 100, location in VESPARA P 6538, Vittorio Verra band, strength 100, location CASTIGLIONE P 6622

Rutland Band, strength 250 location SARNA P 6616.

The H Biseia band is West of ARENO P 3942 strength 3-500

The Lunese Garibaldi Div is in Spezia Province and over the border into Massa Province. This Div is also well armed and organized. BLO is "Maj Oldham". It is in W/T communication with Allied HQ Div: is in approx. area incl AREA SH 11 P 7822 - FIVILLANO P 9225 - CASTIGLIONCELLO P 9621 -

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PATRIOT ACTIVITIES IN THE CUNE PROVINCE
REPORT NO 6. LOCATIONS AND SYMPATHIES OF
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2. CUNEO PROVINCE

All the Patriot Bands and formations in Cuneo Province are nominally under the leadership of a "Major MAURI" who is in contact with No 1 Special Force Missions. For further information regarding this personality see Master Sitreps.

Scattered throughout the mountainous areas of the Province are the Alpini Divs. These originated in Italian Army Alpini soldiers who took to the hills in Sept '43 under their own officers. Although the individual bands are widely separated they still maintain their identity with the Divs. Politically they are probably the least communist in sympathies. Locations are as follows:-

3 Alpini Div. Str estimated at 1500. No information as to arms. Commander "Capt COSA". Elements at: FALCOSA 24 10 C 0742, MONTALBO C 1145, VILLANOVA C 0448, ANDONNO K 1745, (300 men) DEMONTE N 6747 (300 men) MOLLIERES N 5531, CMA di PIAVA CAVA

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4 Alpini Div. Str 1500 are on the high ground West of the rd BAGNASCO O 2642 - ORLUA O 1425.

2 Alpini Div. consists of two detachments one 900 strong in the mountainous country between the T. VARAITA and the Upper PO valley, approx area SANFRONT Sh 7 N 7085 - West of SALUZZO N 8483 - north of COSTIGLIONE N 6374 - North of SAIPUYRE N 6077

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and the other 700 strong, in the mountainous area between the VAL MAIRA and the VAL GRANA, extending as far East as MONTEAL, SH 10, N 7460.

There is a further concentration, reportedly independent of the Alpini known as Gruppo Leo, strength 1200, in a much smaller area on either side of the upper Vae. dell'ARCA in sq N 55.

The Val di Stura Band, described as well armed, is around ARGENTERA N 3858. Str is 500. This also is probably independent.

The Lenghe (Garibaldi) Div is in the Langhe mountains in approx. area bounded by NARZOLE Sh 7 O 1475 - CASTIGLIONE O 2277 - thence East of Rd MONFELTRO D'ALBESSE O 2776 - MONFELTRO SH 10 O 3058 - TORALBA O 2655 - CARRU O 1462. Elements of this Div are 16 Car. Bde. around CISSONE Sh 7 O 2570 leader "SERGIO" and a group of 2000 Patriots directly under "Major MAURIN" around BELVEDERE, Sh 10, O 2263. There is a 1st group of 800 around MONCHERO Sh 7 O 1772.

The Valle band, leader "Steve" Str 300 is around Mte S. BERNABO N 7266. This is same area as the detachment of 300 of 2 Alpini Div. see above, but the band is probably independent of the Alpini.

There is a Giustizia e Libertà (Action Party) Bde in the approx area VALDIRE N 7444 - south of ROCCAVIONE N 8246 - mountains West of Rd ROCCAVIONE - TENDA N 8520. Leaders are "Capt ALBITO" and Capt "CELI" Numbers are approx 1200 and the Bde is estimated to have that number of 1st Lt. arms.

3. TURIN PROVINCE

Patriot Bands in Turin Province are now reported to be less numerous than was indicated in Report No 1. In addition, owing to mopping up operations the tendency has been for larger Patriot formations which had been formed; to break up into their component bands, and generally for formations to become smaller or to retire further into the mountains. This has been the case in the area West of Turin, in the Val Susa, Val Chisone, and 746

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The Langhe (Gambaldi) Div is in the Langhe mountains in approx. area bounded by MARZOLE Sh 7 C 1475 - CASTIGLIONE O 2277 - thence East of Rd MONTELURO D'ALBESSE O 2776 - MONTEALCANTO Sh 1C O 3058 - MONTEALCANTO O 2055 - CARRI O 1462. Elements of this Div are 16 car. Bde. around CISSONE Sh 7 O 2570 leader "SERGIO" and a group of 2000 Patriots directly under "Major MAURIO" around BELVEDERE, Sh 10, O 2263. There is a 1st group of 800 around MONTELURO Sh 7 O 1772.

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Elements of a Matteotti Bde now rather widely dispersed, are in the Val Susa, Val Chisone and Val Pellice. It is "MARCELLINI" who also controls several bands directly, and locations are as follows:-

General area MONTELO Sh 7 H 7511. Base of Matteotti Bde.
Leader "CONSPARINO" Str 100.
Agrognio Band, leader Lt. "VIALAN" Str no known.

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General area LUSIGNA H 6604. Part of Matteotti Bde. Leader "ROMANTRO" Str 200. Part of Matteotti Bde. Leader "PAULUCCI" Str 100.

In same area, but independent of Matteotti Bde. is a Gariboldi Bde. Leaders "Maj BARBETTO" and "SALUZZO" Str 1000.

General area CLAVENO H 7826. Part of Matteotti Bde. Leader "NICOLETTO" Str 300-400. A "Marcellini" Band Str 30 is at CUNIANA H 7822.

A Band, leader "VIAN" Str 1500 of which 700 are armed is around PARNO H 6925. This probably independent of the Matteotti Bde.

General area PIROSA H 5520. Part of Matteotti Bde. Leader "MARCELLINI" Str 150 of which 40 armed. Part of Matteotti Bde. Leader "TRICO" Str 50.

A further "Marcellini" Band Str 200 is around M. ALAMON H 4546 in the Upper Val Susa.

A Band led by "ANDERA" and "BABBACANI" Str 700 all armed. is at FORNO H 7065 in the Upper Val GRANDE.

General area CAMPAGNOLA J 0514 South of TURIN in the PO Valley there is a nucleus of bands controlled by "Maj MAURI" (see CUNEO Province above)

MAURI I Band. Leader "FRANCO SERIA" Str 660 is at CAMPAGNOLA J 0514.

CANALE Band. Leader "MAURI" Str 1400 is at CANALE O 2596 MAURI II Band, Leader "NANDI" Str 300 is at MONTA O 2498.

Bands are also at TRONARELLO J 0520 Str 300 and at COCONNATO J 3229 Str 150.

In TURIN itself there are reported to be 10,000 Patriots under Gen. PAULUCCI (see Muster Sitings particulars this

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"MARCELLINI" Str 150 of which 40 armed. Part of Matteotti Bde.
Leader "FRICO" Str 50.

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Personality). They are, however, poorly armed and probably
somewhat loosely organized in CAP's.

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4. AOSTA PROVINCE

The bands in this province are well armed and organized, many of them having BIO's with them, and being in W/T communication with allied HQ. The most prominent leader in the VAL D'AOSTA is "Mezzard" who has considerable control over the bands in the area other than his own. Here as elsewhere the bands are at present nearly all in the mountains, but when the German withdrawal takes place they may be expected to occupy the nearest towns.

Western VAL D'AOSTA (North of R DORA BALTEA)

In the Comba di VERPOSAN sq 60 there are the following bands:- Comba di Vertosan Band, Leader " Bert" Str 260 arms 100 Carbines.

M. Fallere Band, leader " Maurice" Str 300 arms 10 MG 100 Carbines. There are a further 700 Patriots organised in several bands in this area about which there are no particulars. They are well armed.

South of R DORA BALTEA -- Rhemes Notre Dame Band, leader "Francois" Str 40, arms Carbines, is in the Val di RHEMER.

Valsavranche Band, leader " Pallino" Str 50 arms 50 Carbines, is in the VALSAVRANCHE.

Cogne Band; leader " Vico" Str 100, arms 10 ZG, 100 Carbines; is in the Val di COENE.

Central VAL D'AOSTA (North of R DORA BALTEA)

Dorabal Tea Band, leader " Menard" Str 1,237, arms 100 MMG and 120 LMH, Carbines, Rifles etc. is between the VALPELLINE and the VALFOURNANCHE sqs. C 80, 90, 81, 91.

Quarto Band, leader " Silvio" Str 100 arms 6 Stens, 100 Carbines is around QUARTO PRETORIA C 9005.

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Band leader " padron"

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Western VAL D'AOSTA (North of R DORA BALTEA)

In the Comba di VERTOSAN sq 60 there are the following bands:- Comba di Vertosan Band, Leader " Bert" Str 260 arms 100 Carbines.

M. Fallere Band, leader " Maurice" Str 300 arms 10 MG 100 Carbines. There are a further 700 Patriots organised in several bands in this area about which there are no particulars. They are well armed.

South of R DORA BALTEA - Rhemes Notre Dame Band, leader "Francois" Str 40, arms Carbines, is in the Val di RHEMES.

Valsavranche Band, leader " Pallino" Str 50 arms 50 Carbines, is in the VALSAVRANCHE.

Cogne Band; leader " Vico" Str 100, arms 10 MG, 100 Carbines; is in the Val di COGNE.

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South of R Dora Baltea. Dora Baltea Band, leader " Pedro" Str 1500, arms 100 MMG, 120 LMG, Carbines, rifles, etc: is in area M EMILIUS sq H 89.

Fenis Band, leaders " Arnold" and " Mark" Str 360 arms 17 Sten, 100 Carbines is in the Val di FENIS sq H 99.

Champorcher Band, Leader " Silvio Pedro" Str 500 arms, are around M GLACIER sq H 99.

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Monte Rosa Band, Str 240, arms 20 Sten, 120 Carabines;
is around M ROSA sq H 98.

Pila Band, Leader "John" Str 40 arms 30 Stens, 30 Carabines.

Eastern VAL D'AOSTA (Chatillon D 00 area)

The La Magdaleine Band, leader "Bito" Str 130, arms
Carabines and Stens, is around Mount LA MAGDALEINE in sq
D 00.

The Challant Band, leader "Nery" Str 60 arms 3 stens,
40 Carabines is in lower VAL DI CHALLANT sq J 18.

Brusson Band Str 500 is around BRUSSON sq D 10 in Upper
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There are some 500 Patriots including 120 Czech Partisans
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PCNT S MARTIN AREA

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Other Areas

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 REPORT No 7 - LOCATIONS, STRENGTHS OF
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16th CARBONARI BRIGADE, area N.W. of ACQUI 0-6251.

74th CARBONARI BRIGADE, area S. of ACQUI 0-6251.

MONTENAPONE band of 600 men.

51st and 3rd CARBONARI BRIGADES under "MARZO" and "DAN".

ROMANUS band under LIBERO.

GIUSTIZIA & LIBERTA band under Capt. TRUSTO.

These forces occupy area bordered by the PIACENZA BOBBIO VOGHERA roads. Reported earlier during the month to be on the offensive against enemy forces.

PAVIA has town group of 400 men.

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TORINO PROVINCE

Bands 3.E. of TORINO and 3.W. of ASTI are now banded into 9 GARIBALDI DIV commanded by NANINI.

3 GARIBALDI DIV comprises:-

42 GARI. Bde	- strength	920	- Commander	NEBRI
17 "	"	850	"	MARIS
41 "	"	620	"	TASCINO

This Div. is located along main road W. of TORINO from S. GIORGIO H-5438 to RIVOLI H-3929 in the order W. to E. - 42 Bde, 17 Bde, 41 Bde.

VAL DI LANZO band - 700 men well armed under ALANDO and BARACHINI, VORAGNO area - H-3159.

MARZOTTI Brigade - 1000 men under MARCELLIN. No information as to arms. Split into small groups of 100-200 men between VAL DI SUSO H-5441 and VAL DI PO. Stated to be occupying heights only.

GIAVENO band, 1500 men (700 armed) under VIAN West of GIAVENO H-7728.

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4 GARI DIV, 1500 men, poorly armed area middle and lower VAL SUSO H-5441. Commanded by VARGATO.

VAL SANCONE bde 700 men, poorly armed, area CHISONE and Upper SUSO H-5441, commanded by NICOLETTA.

STELLINA Bde, 300 men, poorly armed, area mountains near SUSO H-5441, commanded by LAGHI.

VAL DEL LANZO H-0953, and CANEVESATO, have now been reoccupied by Patriots.

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STELLINA Bde, 300 men, poorly armed, area mountains near SUSIA H-5441, commanded by LACHI.

VAL DEI LANZO H-3953, and CANEVESANO, have now been reoccupied by Patriots.

CUNEO PROVINCE

VAL PELLICE Bde, 400 men, arms and military value good, commanded by MENATO.

VAL GERMANASCA Bde, 400 men, arms poor, commanded by UCCIO.

VALAND formation, 1200 men, area VAL VARAITA H-5573. No information as to arms.

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VERCELLI PROVINCE :

5th GARF DIV., 3 Bdes 600-700 unarmed, area BIELLA 3-3781, between GRIGNONEY D-2106 and outskirts BIELLA with western limit BIELLA, eastern limit GRIGNONEY river. The leader and the political commissioned ITALO are Communists - considered unscrupulous (London report).

NOVARA PROVINCE :

GRIGNONEY reported liberated. Character and strength of formations not known. October report mentioned the GRIGNONEY DIV commanded by Major SUPRENTI, 420 armed and 160 unarmed.

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