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Major DRAGE:

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Col. McCARTHY says that this is purely a No.1 Special Force matter and gave instructions for the attached to be returned to you.

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URGENTRECEIPT FORM

In lieu of Army Form A16

To be signed below and (.....*Adv. Ref.*.....
 returned immediately (.....**PATRIOTS BRANCH**.....
 in a single unregistered (.....**Allied Control Commission**.....
 envelope to (.....

I hereby acknowledge the receipt of the undermentioned:-

Reference NumberDistribution*Acc/525/Br.*

Signed.....*Chas. Canthy*.....
 Address.....

Date.....*28/9/44*.....1944.....

NOTE: The title of a Secret or Confidential document must not
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PATRIOT BRANCH
(ADVANCE DETACHMENT)
APO. 894.

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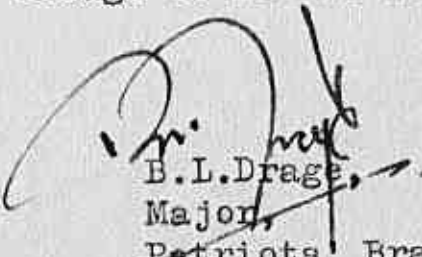
DATE 25th Sept., 1944.

Ref: ACC/525/PAT.

SUBJECT: Proposal for organisation of
Special Information Section.

To : Colonel C.D. McCarthy, Patriots' Branch,
RC and MG Section, ACC.

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2. Enclosed please find translation showing the nucleus of the formation, which would be known as N.I.S. (Nucleo Informazioni Speciali). The whole formation would come under the direct command of Special Forces, but funds will be supplied by the Italian "Comitato di Patrioti".
3. If it is considered that the scheme should be put into operation I suggest that Colonel Pochetti be sent to Rome.
4. Perhaps you would be kind enough to let me have your decision.


B.L. Drage,
Major,
Patriots' Branch,
Advance Detachment.

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PROPOSAL FOR THE ORGANISATION OF A SPECIAL INFORMATION SECTION

1. N.I.S. consists of Headquarters and two Sections.
2. The Headquarters coordinates the different sections, which it administers and reinforces and is in liaison with the Allied Command and the S.I.M. It has special funds at its disposal. It consists of :
 - 1 Senior Officer (chief of Section)
 - 1 Junior Officer
 - 1 Typist
 - It has at its disposal :
 - 1 car and small truck
3. Section A has following tasks :
 - Research sifting and then passing on of news directly collected in operational zones.
 - 1 Junior Officer (chief of Section)
 - 1 subaltern Officer
 - 1 Typist

It has a variable number of informers paid with funds placed at its disposal by H.Q.

 - 1 car and 2 motorcycles.
4. Section B has research duties in the enemies rear and in liaison with partisan groups working in the fore and rear of enemy lines ; it is also in liaison with these groups and the A.C.
 - 1 Junior Officer chief of Section.
 - 1 subaltern officer
 - 1 typist.

It has a variable number of informers paid with funds placed at its disposal by Section H.Q.

 - 1 car and 2 motorcycles
5. Generally speaking the H.Q. of N.I.S. has its seat at A Section.
 Section B near line of contact.
 Personnel
 6 Officers a variable number of military and civilian informers
 4 cars, motorcycles, 3 typewriter.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH
APO 394

Ref: 101/PAT

28 Sept 44.

Subject: Information from Col. POCETTI.

To: Major DRAGE.

I discussed the attached with Comd. HOLDSWORTH, who has sent instructions to Maj. HENDERSON to make the necessary arrangements with Col. POCETTI in conjunction with you.

I have explained to Comd. HOLDSWORTH that A.M.G. will not be able to pay for this service, so that all the money must come out of the funds of No.1 Special Force.

Cdr. Castley LL

C.D. McCARTHY,
Colonel,
Patriots Branch,
R.C. & M.G. Section.

*See by Henderson
at Vint's Private Lounge*

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COL. POGETTI'S REPORT.

We consider the commission of the Patriot Branch particularly wellsuited to collect military information in German occupied Italy. Infact this organisation which has its seat in Florence and can avail itself of Patriots many of whom have a perfect knowledge of the Appenines and of the Province of Emilia should be able to provide precious information.

Suitable agents could be selected from the information group of the Military Command of the U.T.L.N. who would have the advantage of knowing the suitable personnel for this scope. This organisation consists of two sections, a military and a political one.

It would be necessary to provide an assignation to that organisation so that it could provide a reward to the personnel that would be sent in reconnaissance in occupied Italy.

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Major,
Patriots' Branch,
Advance Detachment.

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25th Sept., 1944.

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3. Section A has following tasks:
 Research, sifting and then passing on of news directly collected in operational zone.
 1 Junior Officer chief of Section
 1 subaltern Officer
 1 Typist
 It has a ~~very~~ variable number of informers paid with funds placed at ~~their~~ its disposal by H.Q.
 1 car and 2 motorcycles.
4. Section B. has research duties in the enemies rear and in liaison with partisan groups working in the fore and rear of enemy lines; it is also in liaison with these groups and the A.C.
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SCHEMA PER LA ORGANIZZAZIONE DI UN NUCLEO INFORMAZIONI SPECIALE (N.I.S.)

- 1 - Il N.I.S. comprende un comando e due sezioni.
- 2 - Il comando ha compiti di coordinamento tra le sezioni, che amministra e rifornisce, e di collegamento con il Comando alleato e con il S.I.M. Dispone di un assegnazione speciale di fondi. Comprende : un ufficiale superiore capo nucleo ; un ufficiale superiore aiutante ; un datilografo. Dispone di un autovettura e una camionetta.
- 3 - La sezione A ha compiti di ricerca, vaglio e trasmissione delle notizie direttamente a tutte le sezioni nel campo operativo. Comprende : un ufficiale inferiore capo sezione ; un ufficiale subalterno addetto ; un datilografo. Ha alle proprie dipendenze un nucleo di informatori, di entità variabile, che amministra con fondi messi a sua disposizione dal comando di nucleo. Dispone di una autovettura e due motocicli.
- 4 - La sezione B ha compiti di ricerca di informazioni nelle retrovie del nemico, collegamento con le formazioni partigiane operanti nella zona avanti ed al tergo dello schieramento nemico, collegamento tra dette formazioni ed il Comando alleato. Comprende : un ufficiale inferiore capo sezione ; un ufficiale subalterno addetto ; un datilografo. Ha alle proprie dipendenze un nucleo di informatori, di entità variabile, che amministra con fondi messi a sua disposizione dal comando di nucleo. Dispone di una autovettura e due motocicli.
- 5 - Di regola : il comando del N.I.S. risiede con la sezione A in ~~una~~ ~~zona più avanzata~~ ; la sezione B in prossimità della linea di contatto.
- 6 - RIEPILOGO personale e mezzi del N.I.S. : ufficiali ~~sempre~~ 6 ; informatori militari e civili di numero variabile ; automezzi 4 ; automezzi 4 ; macchine da scrivere 3 .

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