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CPO 301,
CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ref: 51/11/PAC

Subject: RELIIS' Card

To: Presidency of the Council-Patriots Office. 21/4/1955.

Referenced this Branch's letter, reference number as above,
dated 27 March 1955.

- (a) There is no trace that a reply has been received.
- (b) A reply has not yet been despatched. please expedite.

M.P.
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Mr. Collier,
Director
Patriots Branch.

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Roma, 21 Aprile 1945.

Ref : 51/11/PAT

Oggetto : Banda DEUS.

Alla : Presidenza del Consiglio - Ufficio Patrioti.

R O M A

Si prega dare sollecito riscontro al foglio
di questo Ufficio di uguale riferimento, datato
27 Marzo 1945.

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R. P.
F. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director,
Local Govt. sub Com.

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PATRIOTS Br. 16

To : HQ. AC., Civil Affairs Sec. (Patriots Branch)
 From : HQ. AMG., Umbria-Marche Region
 Subject : Patriots Representatives Report. *MP*
 Ref : R5/507/24
 Date : 6th April 1945

The u/q letter and copies of report are forwarded for your information as requested.

For the Regional Commissioner

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S. Pickering
 S. PICKERING.
 Lt. Colonel;
 R.P.S.O.

HEADQUARTERS
 ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
 LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
 PERUGIA PROVINCE.

SUBJECT: Patriots Branch - Report.

30 March 1945.

TO: HQ MARCHE UMBRIA Region.

Herewith report on the activity of the Provincial Patriots' Branch for onward transmission to Patriots Branch AC.

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 /s/ ?????? Capt.
 for
 /t/ JOHN LUND,
 Major, AUS,
 Provincial Commissioner,
 PERUGIA PROVINCE.

PROVINCIAL PATRIOTS' COMMITTEE-PERUGIA *2*TranslationReport on the last six months:

Six months ago the Provincial Commissioner appointed me to be the president of this Committee in order to carry out all the work in favour of the patriots, as it was established by Higher Allied Military Command.

This activity included among others :

- a) To give to all those patriots who were really fighting the "Alexander" certificate.
- b) Reassuring of patriots into civil life in order to avoid patriots being unoccupied.
- c) Institution of battalions of those patriots who voluntarily desired to fight in order to be part of the Italian Forces.

The Committee started its work and made at the beginning weekly reports on its activities. After the arrival of the two officers from Rome, I did not make any more reports because the officers made them directly and therefore it would have been useless to make them twice at the same time.

The two officers took care of the functioning of the Committee and the offices, while the Committee was carrying out the a/m three main activities.

- A. The Committee contacted all the communal branches and checked on them in order to control the lists which were to be made out including those who had a right for recognition, and they checked that these lists be made accordingly to the circular of Aug 44.

When we had to decide whether these lists were right or not, this Committee did not only make a formal examination, but made its investigations on the place. In several cases errors were to be corrected and recognition was stated as not being due to entire squads of young people, who though having done a good job and having also risked their lives, still cannot be considered as patriots, as they did not really fight because of not having had any arms.

Thus the right for recognition has been denied to all those who have efficiently helped and aided the patriots, but who fall under the category of collaborators in the war effort.

In other words, our Committee had to realize once more the high

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value of the patriots' activities in Umbria, but it has paid tribute only to partisans and to those who by forming squads and by connecting their activities are to be considered to be the directors of the clandestine activity.

- B. First of all the Committee tried to have all the former patriots reinstated in their former occupations. This was a social necessity and also our duty. The tranquility of the country was a necessity of military nature to the Allies who were fighting the war; it was also a necessity of ours, in order not to handicap the work of reconstruction which was most urgent to be initiated.

Our work was directed on this line and this success was excellent, though the help given to us by the "Epuration" was very little. However, we have done well. Today there are only a few unoccupied persons among patriots, or in other words some of them did not get the same occupation as they were used to before.

- C. Voluntarism has also been successful. Certainly, if immediately after the liberation, our youth, who had been promised to be considered in a later date as the advanced guards of the Italian National Army would have been accepted (while instead they have been disarmed and abandoned); if the Allies would have realized since the very first that these boys did not represent the defeated Fascism but the non fascist Italy, more young people would have followed the call up. However from each part of Umbria young boys have left in order to join the Division "Cremona" and others. They have already witnessed their faith for their country and for liberty; our province has already its dead soldiers. Besides this activity the Committee has carried out also an other one: Assistance and help: to political victims, to the families of dead and killed persons, to partisans who require assistance and to those who are passing by in order to reach the front line and to those who are recovered in hospital. The Committee has collected funds and so it was possible to meet certain necessities. The Union of Italian Women has helped very much. As far as clothing is concerned the Allied Command and especially Jr/Cmdr Goggin have tried to meet our requests.

And so calling at the kindness of the women in every country place I may finish my report.

Perugia 15 March 1945.

s/ The President
Avv. Alfredo Abetini)

Translated by J.D.R.

FROM : HQ. AC. Patriots Branch
TO : Presidency of the Council, Patriots Office
REF : 51/11/PAT.
DATE : 27 March 1945.
SUBJECT: Melis' Band.

We hereby enclose the report of the Melis Band,
because it concerns your Office, and we wish you would
let us know at the earliest opportunity, your opinion
on the whole matter.

M.P.
/ Lt. Col. F. CRAIG,
Director, Patriots Branch.

/mfg.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ref : 51/11/PAT.

27 Marzo 1945.

Oggetto: Banda Melis.

Alla : Presidenza del Consiglio,
Ufficio Patrioti, Roma.

Si trasmette, per competenza, l'unita relazione sulla Banda Melis, con preghiera di far conoscere, con cortese sollecitudine, il proprio avviso al riguardo.

M.P.

F. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

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translated by J.D.R.

From : A.C.C. Patriots Branch → PERUGIA

Subject : Communication

Ref. 471

Perugia 19 January 45.

file 51/11/plus 10.

As by previous signal I wish to inform you that under the present date I will leave the Patriots Branch, to go to the front with 500 partisans of the Perugia Province.

I wish you would henceforth see to my substitution with another officer. The Regional Commissioner for Region IV agrees to the substitution which is necessary because there are still several matters pending which must be dealt with by this Office.

(sgd) Ten. FERRE Enrico

GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "CREMONA"

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Perugia 19 gennaio 1945

OGGETTO: comunicazione.

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e.p.c. ALLA PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI
UFFICIO PATRIOTS

Come da mia precedente Vi comunico
che oggi stesso lascio la direzione dell'Ufficio
Patriots Branch per raggiungere il fronte insie-
me a 500 partigiani della provincia di Perugia.

Prego sostituirmi immediatamente, come già
d'accordo con il Commissario Regionale della
IV Regione, con un altro ufficiale, giacchè l'uf-
ficio ha ancora molte pratiche da sbrigare.

TEN. FERRI ENRICO

GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO " CANTONA "



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15 January 1945

SUBJECT : Report (Perugia Patriots)

TO : HQ Allied Commission,
Patriots Branch.*copy already at Folio 10*

1. Report from Lt. Ferri, Patriot Officer at Perugia, is forwarded for your information.

2. Your attention is drawn to the fact that Lt. Ferri is relinquishing his position in order to go forward into the line.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A. D. Bonham Carter

A. D. BONHAM-CARTER
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer.

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PATRIOTS BRANCH
PERUGIA

Perugia, January 8, 1945



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LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
ALLA PRESIDENZA CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI
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R O M A

TO : PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

PERUGIA

I Lt. Ferri Enrico, military representative of the Patriots Branch with the Provincial Commissioner of the A.C. in the province of Perugia, submit to the above Commands the definitive report on my activity from 8 Sept. 1944 to 10 Jan. 1945.

I point out that I always observed the disposals issued by the said Commands: if sometimes I interpreted them somewhat elastically I did it for having been a patriot myself. Knowing thoroughly the characters of the various patriots, I wanted all the partisans of the province to appreciate much better the exertions which the Allied Authorities and the Italian Government are undertaking to settle their situation and to re-employ them.

Thus I have succeeded in creating in the mass of the partisans a conscience such as to awake in them the sense of discipline and duty: the final result is that these men rendered hard and sometimes also indisciplinate by the dreadful life of a clandestine guerrilla war which can be fully appreciated only by him who experienced it himself, have now become good and quiet citizens who endeavour everywhere to facilitate the war effort of the Allies against the common enemy.

For this work I have availed myself of two elements: 1° - setting up the Communal Committees of Patriots selecting intelligent persons whom the partisans of the Comune could rely upon; 2° - seeking

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to make the acquaintance of all the patriots of the province being thus enabled to state and at the same time to examine their needs and wishes.

I have given strictest orders to the Communal Committees for the recognition of the patriots following for their qualification the definition given by Gen. Alexander. Once this work had been finished by the Communal Committees of the patriots I betook myself to the areas trying to assist in the most proper way all the patriots who needed work and employment. I dare say that every Body, every firm, whether state-owned or private, is counting now among its employees and workers a certain number of patriots. Through the co-operation of the Allied Officers of the Perugia A.C. I could obtain the enlistment of partisans also in police units: many of them are serving indeed in the Forests Division, in the Questura and as agents of the auxiliary police.

All this proves what I have said before: that the partisan, after performing his task against the enemy, has turned again a citizen conscious of his duty and answerable for the grave situation of his country.

And as a citizen the Umbrian patriot has understood also how to respond to another appeal: the appeal of the new and free Italy who applies to her best sons for the organisation of new divisions that soon will be utilised shoulder to shoulder with the Allies against the common, the hated enemy.

On November 18 left the first detachment of 80 partisans of the Brigades "Leoni" and "Francesco Innamorati" whose commands are in the town of Perugia. All these boys have been destined to a fighting group which soon will have the honour of taking the arms up against the enemy.

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And the others, too, wanted to be up to the difficult moment: the Commander of the "Brigata d'Urto" that during the clandestine period operated in Northern Umbria, Romagna, Marche has requested me to communicate to the General Staff of the Italian Army that

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his men intended to start immediately for joining a "fighting group".

And so did the Commander of the Brigade "Garibaldi" of Foligno who asked the same thing.

What the partisans asked for and what so far never had been granted they obtained from the Italian General Staff: enlistment in the same division, in the same speciality, to be commanded by their officers who had that rank already before the clandestine period.

Ten days after the above news had been announced above 400 partisans had offered to volunteer; except in the case of an act of God they will leave Perugia on January 15. Among them there are men who are 40 and boys who are 18 years old, all of them however linked up by the same feelings and the same enthusiasm. And the weapons will be taken up again for three aims: 1° to give the Allies a contribution superior to that they have given till now for the liberation of their country. 2° To combat with equal arms against that enemy whom they wiped out so often also when being inferior to him. 3° To stress their solidarity and to assist their heroic brethren of the North who in this moment (utmost difficult for them) show the temper the Italian partisan has been framed of.

I beseech the aforesaid Commands to be substituted in my charge with the Provincial Commissioner at Perugia, desirous of fighting again close by those boys with whom I so often faced the peril: apart from my feelings this is being imposed upon me also by the duty which are incumbent on an officer and principled man: to lead one's men in the danger and to fulfill the promise made on the tombs of dead friends: to avenge them.

I thank Col. Belser, Provincial Commissioner of Perugia, and Capt. Falk, Deputy Prov. Commissioner, who at any moment gave me wise advice helping me enormously for carrying out my task.

THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MILITARY CENTER WITH
THE PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER AT PERUGIA

Lt. Enrico Ferri

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
PATRIOTS BRANCH
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Rome, 13 Gennaio 1945

Ref. : 51/11/Pat.

Oggetto : Fine Del Compito
dei Rappresentanti dei Patrioti - PERUGIA

All' : A.M.E. S.O. per la Prov. di Perugia
per il Rappresentante dei Patrioti,
tramite il Comissario Provinciale.

1. Siamo in possesso del rapporto definitivo sull'attività svolta da voi quale Rappresentante dei Patrioti per la provincia di Perugia.
2. Siamo soddisfatti della vostra opera che è stata efficiente e consciamente e ve ne ringraziamo.
3. Inoltre, poiché il vostro compito quale Rappresentante dei Patrioti è terminato, siete dispensato dal vostro incarico di Rappresentante e non dovrete avere difficoltà ad arruolarvi, come desiderate, in uno dei gruppi Lattici Italiani attualmente in formazione.

SDR/alc.

F. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Patriots Branch.

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LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
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Lt. Enrico Ferri

Enrico Ferri
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To : B. L. , C. , P. en lo ba - m. m. m.

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Dr. W. : 25 November 1941.

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 Chief of Bureau of the
 Highway Bureau of the Department
 of the Army.

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Perugia 31/10/41

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TO : Headquarters Allied Control Commission
SC 2nd Section
Patriots Branch
AIC 394

Copy to: The Presidency of the Council - Patriots Office
Rome.

This report includes also last week's report that could not be done on account of bad weather and unserviceability of the roads which ~~has~~ prevented me to carry out the inspections to the Communal Committees.

I have visited the Patriots Committee at Città di Castello to follow the work of assistance and distribution of funds to the members of the "F. S. d'Urto" whose commander, Capt. Stelio BERNICELLI, has received from the "Regg. Gran Sasso", Headquarters External Bands, the sum of 547.000 Lire for the first assistance to the members of his band.

In Foligno, the local communal Committee has finished the ascertainment of the Patriots, and has transmitted to the A.C.C. N.1. the list of the Patriots to whom the Alexander certificate will have to be issued.

Both, at Assisi and Bettone, following a visit I paid to the Mayors of both places, I assume there are no Patriots.

Both in Panicale and Piaceno, I have noticed the good functioning of the Communal Committees, the return to civilian work of the Patriots has been done intelligently and assiduously.

I wish to know from Headquarters of External Bands the amount of money handed to the band chieftains of the Perugia Province, so as to check that all the Patriots have actually received the prize awarded to each one by Headquarters.

This because it appears that many partisans have not received the sum of 500 lire, although the Band Chieftain had drawn such prize from Headquarters.

I have obtained by Major Batterley, Chief of the Allied Police, the enlistment of 30 Patriots as privates in the Regio Corvo dello Perasto. The enlistment will become effective as soon as the appli-

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ations will be completed by the necessary documents.

On Sunday, November 5th, General Alexander certificates will be awarded to the Patriots of this District.

I hereby notify that the representative of the C.I.R. Mr. Berna Armando, has left for Rome 13 days ago, and has not yet returned creating a good deal of discontent with the Provincial Governor, especially because he is using a motor car "Aprilia" belonging to the A.C.C.

The Officer representative of the Military Center to the Provincial Governor

Ten. FERRI Emilio.

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Roma 16-XI-1944

Ref. 51/PAT

Oggetto : Relazione settimanale del Rappresentante
Militare per la Provincia di PERUGIA.

Alla Presidenza del Consiglio - Ufficio Patrioti.

Si trasmette, per competenza, una relazione
settimanale del mese di Ottobre, concernente
l'attività svolta dal Rappresentante Militare per
la Provincia di PERUGIA.

GF
Col. Guido PAVA
Ufficiale di Collegamento
Patriots Branch.

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PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,
Patriots Office,
ROME.

Ref: 25/2-A.

21 October 1944.

Subject: Draft of Reports by Various Military
Representatives attached to the
Allied Command (Covering Note).

To: Patriots Branch, Rome.

1. Report No.2 from Patriots Office dated 14 October 44,
copy of which is attached herewith.

(Signed) FENOALTEA.

*covering documents of Patriots Office, District, Lucca &
Livorno Area.*

TRANSLATION

Presidence of the Minister Counsel -

Patriots' Office.-

Note No. 2 -

Reports of the various military representatives
by the Allied Command.

Province of PERUGIA (24 September).--

From the middle of August it has been constituted at Perugia a Provincial Central Committee for Patriots (President: Lawyer Abatini Alfredo, president of the local C.I.M. too -- members: the prefect, the vice-prefect -- the chief of the Italian police, three representatives of the military joint, two representatives of the bands and two representatives of the chief of province, which have been pointed out by the Archbishop. The constitution of this Committee don't seem to satisfied the active patriots, which don't believe to be justly represented. There is also discontent among the patriots for the lack of work, but now workers are engaged for road reparations. The Communal office of the patriots of Perugia is now constituting. In this month the certificates can be delivered by the Allies. Political tendency of the bands -- one half without political ideas a quarter communist and the remaining quarter liberals. The demobilization and the delivery of the arms have just been done.

Province of CHIETI (4th October).--

At Lanciano, has just been created a section on the 1st december 1943, which is now led by Mr. Memo Amerigo and Dr. Carlo Scheim, of Hungarian nationality, and an ex-political internee -- it seems that some dubious elements have succeed to enter in this section as collaborators.

But the leaders are trying to eliminate those elements. Many patriots are without work and we are trying to help them.

The remittance of the arms had just taken place (250 guns -- a machine-gun 4 cases of hand grenades).--

The civil authorities, the CORR. and the patriots section are imperfect agreement.

The enlistment of volunteers is satisfying besides those elements which had just left we have other 40 requests of enlistment.

Province of PISTOIA (10th October).--

The situation is rather delicate.

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Province of Pistoia (10th October).--

The situation is rather delicate.

Prevalent Communist and extremist tendencies. Villainy acts are to report.

In nearly all the province the most important charges have been assumed by Communist elements.

Communal Committees have been constituted but they meet difficulties because they are boycotted in their work.

Generally there is dislike against military men. They have not received well the news of an eventual participation to the war in the far east. The arms are delivered unwillingly.

It would be necessary to settle as soon as possible the position of the military men and specially of the officers.

It would be opportune to constitute a supply office provided of assistance funds. The Allies auspicate to a quick restoration of order and are helping the representatives in their duties.

Province of Lucca (10th October).--

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The needy conditions of life and of struggle are making the first contacts with the Allied Forces are very delicate. Vice-versa the allies desert and demobilize the lands as soon as they reach them, and nothing is done to help the patriots with food or lodging. Hundreds of patriots are found in rear lines in the mountainous zones without any supply of food and clothes and they are often sick.

Often it happens that patriots who were wounded in fights and are still suffering of the consequences of the old neglected wounds are not recovered in Allied Hospitals. This must be still the consequence of old orders issued several months ago by the allies, when the patriots' problem had not yet reached the actual proportion. The desertment of the patriots is done in a way which exasperate the souls and attains exactly opposite results. Therefore many arms are not delivered. Especially the first Allied Groups or Allied Authorities which contact with the patriots often are acting with them without tact and without recognizing the activities and sacrifices of the patriots.

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PROPOSALS

The most important problems to solve are:

- To assist the patriots immediately after they have crossed the lines.
- To help the patriots who wish to go back to their families.
- The incorporation of patriots in fighting units and their immediate employment with the Allied Forces in places which they know very well.
- Organization of the regroupment centers (supply offices a.s.o.) for the assistance and the setting out of the patriots.
- To settle in a short time the military positions of the officers and military men with the payment of the allowances.
- The issue by the Allied Authorities and the Italian Government of measures to solve in the best way the situation of the partisans in all its numerous aspects.

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Ref : 51/P.H.

25 November 1944

Subject : Intelligence Reports.

TO : see Notification.

Ref. 51/P.H. dated 30 August 44.

It is notified that the distribution of Intelligence Reports by the 1st. Echelon Patriotic Branch, Moscow, is being discontinued forthwith. It is considered that the ground is already sufficiently covered by the Intelligence which is available in the Inner Sitings and out by No. 1 Special Force.

2. M. A. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Patriotic Branch.

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Translation of the 3rd report of the Provincial Committee for Patriots.

After the arrival of two Italian officers of the 8th Army Lt. BERNA and Lt. PERNI, who are engaged with a special service for the patriots, the Allied Command has decided that the formation of the provincial committee, the duty of which is to control the designation for the attainment of the recognition of the title "Patriot", will not be changed. The two officers will collaborate with the committee and will care that work goes on quickly. They have already provided for the installation of the office, which is composed by a secretary (Lt. Bonanni - a partisan); two typists and an usher. Furthermore Marcella Abatini is working together with me, as she has collaborated with me in the Committee of Liberation during all the period of clandestine activity. Logically she does her work gratuitously.

During the last week I have been in ten communes. I might have paid visit to more communes, but I have lost a lot of time because of the bad conditions of the country roads. (Once my car was to be taken out of mire by some oxen). My car needs to be repaired, the tyres ought to be changed and the brakes do not function. I need to get a brake-lining, but it is very difficult to get it.

I have also paid a visit to the CAO of Foligno, who has sent some lists of patriots to the Allied Command, but the lists do not contain any indication of the activity of the bands. Such lists can not be considered a basis, upon which to propose to the Allies to give recognition to the patriots.

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Everywhere I have recommended to send as soon as possible the lists of those patriots who are still unoccupied to the provincial committee, indicating their capacity and their desires.

I think that the sistemation of the patriots will not be

difficult, because there is only a very small part that needs systematization.

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In the commune of Marsciano there has been committed the fascist massacre of the brothers CECI.

Considering the horror, connected with the assassination of these three boys, it becomes more macabre and atrocious; it may be considered as the most criminal folly. (The last episode: one of the boys was put into the coffin, not yet dead, but howling and crying being grievously wounded; it was ordered not to "finish" him, but to leave him as he was to die in the coffin.) People is waiting for justice there. No one of the persons who are suspected of having acted as spies or taken part when the boys were arrested, is arrested now. I think that the first assistance to give is to make justice. It would be necessary to make investigations. Such investigations may be entrusted to a college, that will be composed by a magistrate, a lawyer and a member of the Committee of the Patriots.

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Roma, 15 Ottobre 1944.

Oggetto : Relazione Commissario Provinciale
Capt. FAIK.

Alla : Alla Presidenza del Consiglio -
Ufficio Patrioti.

Si trasmette, per competenza, l'unita
relazione del Comitato Provinciale per i Patrioti
in Perugia.

Per cio' che concerne gli ultimi due periodi
della relazione, il Capt. FAIK assicura di aver
provveduto in merito.

GH Col.

Col. Guido FAVA
Ufficiale di Collegamento,
Civil Affairs Section.
Patriots Branch,

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2 October 1944

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Patriot's Branch
Attn. Major Magnus

FILE No. : PER/ADM/102.2

Herewith weekly report.

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Translation

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The report of the commander of this brigade, Lt; CANJARELLI, sets out all the actions made by this brigade and contains also indications on every element of the brigade.

Thus the provincial committee may examine all the documents and then proceed immediately to the definitive designation to the Allied Command.

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During this week I went only to Gubbio, because I have had the opportunity to get a car for a day, as my own one cannot be used, as I have told this command already. I hope that the Prefecture has already provided for the next week.

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Attn. Major Magnus
FILE No. : PER/ADM/106

Herewith 5th and 6th Report
on Patriots.

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Maj. DRAGE		
Capt. SALVADORI		
Col. FAVA		
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This report includes also the report of the last week, which I was not able to compile as I was ill for a few days.

During this period the two collaborating officers went to Città di Castello (in order to continue the activity of assistance and of distribution of 750.000 lire received from the Center of Rome to be given to the Patriots who have obtained recognition and to the families of the fallen Patriots: Every Patriots gets 3.000 lire and every family of fallen Patriots gets 10.000 lire); Foligno, Spoleto, Assisi, Bettona.

At Foligno all those who have a right for recognition have been ascertained, but they need specific dates for their own necessities of the work entrusted to them from Rome, which is not known to this Committee.

At Assisi and Bettona it was confirmed that there were no Patriots.

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At Ranciale as well as in Paciano I have seen that the local Committees were functioning following the directives. Also the reemployment of Patriots has been carried out in a very satisfactory way. At Paciano I was informed about the action of reprisal committed by the Germans at Muffa on June 5th 1944. In consequence of this action 6 men died. Those men aided the partisans. One of them, Mezzetti, has left his wife with two children. I have asked for a report on the matter, which I have received yesterday (copy of it is hereto attached) On my own initiative I have had collected a small sum of 5.000 lire which I ordered to be given to this woman.

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During the discussion, the Prefect suggested to give recognition as being 'Patriots' to all those killed by the Germans or Fascists. The majority of the committee was of the opinion that only those are to be considered as such who have died in fighting, all the others are to be considered only as 'victims'; to them every assistance ought to be reserved, but they cannot enscribe among Patriots in order to get recognition from the Allies.

However, I was charged with informing on this matter the Allied Command and the 2 officers, so that they may report to their Commander at Rome. (The 2 officers state that they had got already instructions which were in accordance with the opinion of the majority of the Committee).

(Avv. Abatani)

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