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Col. FAVA

Pl. see ③ above or kindly
Patrick representative concerned. I will sign the letter. ✓
P.O. Dagnus / Major

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To : A.C. H.Q. Patriots Branch, ROME.
 Date: 7 December 1944.
 Subject: Report n.7 following n.6 dated 18 November 1944,
 and following letter dated 19 November, on the
 subject: " Relazione partigiani."

- 17 Nov. PESARO - Check up on the activities of that
 Partisans Committee.
- 18 " CESENATICO - Second meeting with the local partisan
 group Cervia.
- 19 " CESENA - Meeting with the G.A.P. groups for the
 compilation of partisans lists.
- 20 " FORLI - Meeting with the G.A.P. and S.A.P.
 Partisan H.Qs.
- 21 " PESARO - Resolution of local differences amongst
 the Partisans.
- 22 " CESENA - Contacted A.M.G. 1735
- 23 " CERVIA - Collection of the minutes of the meeting
 held the 18th inst. Examination of the
 report on partisan activities.
- 24-25 " FORLI - Examination of partisan activities of
 8 Brigata Garibaldi. Program of the
 ceremony for the issue of the certificates.
- 26 " MELOGNA - Contacted local G.A.P. formation.
- 27 " PIEDAPPIC - Contacted the Mayor and local partisans.
- 28-29 " - Preparations for the Partisan's Parade
 and for the issue of the certificates.
- 30 " FORLI - Ceremony for the issue of certificates
 to the partisans of Romagna.
- 1 Dec. FORLI - Beginning of the demobilisation of the
 units and repatriation of patriots to
 their homes.
- 2 " FORLI - Visit of Col. Spicer and Major D'age of
 the A.C. Patriots Branch.
- 3 " RICCIONE AND CATTOLICA - Issue of the last certifi-
 cates.

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- 4 Dec. PREDAPPIC - Contacted HQs of the Polish Corps for matters concerning partisan's clothing.
- 5 " FORLI - First meeting for the creation of the "Casa del Partigiano".
- 6 " FORLI - Official institution of the "Casa del Partigiano".

signed

Prof. MOHINIELLO
Capt. CASILLI D'ARAGONA.

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FROM : Patriots Branch
TO : Comando Raggruppamento Bande
Italia Centrale
COPY TO : H.Q. A.D. Patriots Branch
DATE : 1 December 1944.
SUBJECT : REPORT.

FORLI

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ROME

I enclose the report on the ceremony for the award of Allied certificates to the members of the Patriots formations of the Province of Forlì, and the instructions that I issued for the organisation of the ceremony and of the parade.

The behaviour of the Patriots Units has been praised by the Allies.

signed Capt. Casilli d'Arzogna.

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1 Italian copy already forwarded to Col. Blumato's
Office -

FROM : Patriots Branch
TO : A.C. H.Q. Patriots Branch
DATE : 1 December 1944.

FORLI
ROME

DISTRIBUTION OF CERTIFICATES AT FORLI.

On 30 November at Forli, certificates were issued to the Patriots of the Units which operated in that area.

In consideration of the valuable contribution that the formations brought to the fight against the Germans in the area, and considering the efficiency and discipline of the Units, the Military Authorities decided that the issue of the certificates should have the character of an impressive ceremony which was to follow a parade of the patriots.

For the purpose the instructions contained in annex 1, 2 and 3 were issued to the Units.

On 3 November at 10 a.m. the Units numbering about 800 men, 450 of which were armed, grouped in Piazza della Vittoria.

At 10,30 a.m. ~~the~~ began the parade in the following order:

1. 8 Brigata Garibaldi Romagna.
2. Battaglione Corbani Spazzoli.
3. 29 Brigata G.A.P.
4. Brigata S.A.P.

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The procession, headed by the national flags, with no party insignia, through Corso Vittorio Emanuele and Piazza Saffi, reached the Government Palace where it gathered in the reception halls.

No incidents happened during the procession which was attended by a great crowd of the local population.

At the Government's Palace, the General commanding the Brigade, the Highest Allied and Italian Authorities including the Prefect, the Bishop, the Mayor, and representatives of the political parties had gathered to preside over the ceremony.

The General held a speech in Italian, thanking the patriots and pointing out the necessity that they should return to their civil lives thus collaborating to the national reconstruction. He then handed to each commander the certificates for his Unit.

At the end of the ceremony, each Patriot, before returning to the square, handed over his weapon.

The units reformed in the square and returned to their billets where they had a meal with rations supplied by Allied H.Qs.

At 12 o'clock, the General with the representatives of all the Units laid a wreath of flowers on the spot where some Patriots had been executed in the Piazza Saffi.

Cap. Casilli d'Aragona.

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MEMORANDUM.

TO: SAC, NEW YORK
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000)
SUBJECT: ...

DATE: 11/11/44

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We attach a copy of the report of the meeting held
on 11 October. Also the Patriots of this area have moved
towards Forti.

Rev. the 1st 1944.

SIGNED

Prof. ROBERTO
CARO. CASILLI D'ARAGONA.

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TO : Major, I.C.M.C. 5th Army Rear.

Subject: Partisans situation in Forli.

Following the latest report dated 1 Nov. concerning the Partisan situation in the 2nd Polish Corps area.

The situation of Forli has confirmed our forecast that the Partisans belonging to the 5th Polish Corps, commanded by General Hlawka (Chief of the town) will have moved toward the town to participate in the liberation of Forli, where the S.I.L. had its Headquarters. The S.I.L. was also holding over the 5th Polish Corps.

The 3 Corps, however, on Allied orders has been engaged in military operations, which will be detailed in the final report. Some Partisans are shown in correspondence to be on the verge of entering Forli, they have been ordered for military reasons.

The Partisans have been convinced of the necessity of this action, and the atmosphere has been clarified.

Under the name of the 5th Corps, two other units operated at Forli: the S.I.L. (Chief of the 5th Corps) and the S.I.L. (Chief of the 5th Corps). 1728

The first consisted of groups of Partisans who operated in the town, carrying out sabotage and supplying guides to the Allies, etc.

The second was a reserve where the S.I.L. and the 3 Corps were carrying their weapons, weapons, food, etc.

The S.I.L. was led over all of them, and they all belonged to the 5th Corps. The S.I.L. had a liaison officer in Forli.

After a few days of considerable uncertainty, the whole Partisan activity is now disciplined by a committee whose members are the representatives of the two units operating in Forli, the representative of the 3 Corps and one delegate of the Mayor. This committee is a temporary one.

I get in touch with S.I.L. of the 5th Corps, and with many liaison officers of the Units. They have all shown their appreciation of the contribution which the Partisans gave the fight for liberation.

Having been in touch with the I.C.M.C. of the 5th Corps, with the S.I.L. and with the Individual Commissioner, who will need to be kept on the occasion of the issue of

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the certificates to the Patriots they should be thanked, and a short ceremony of military character should take place.

The above would require:

1. That Patriot groups coming out of town should be allowed to enter the town as civilians and stay there a few days (they would total about 200).
2. That during that period lodgings should be provided for those who could not find some for themselves (about 50 people) and who could be billeted at the Patriots Command.
3. That during that period a certain number of rations should be issued to complete the rations that will be issued by the Comune.
4. The issue of the certificates will have to take place, in a closed room which can hold from 300 to 400 people, or in the halls of the Prefecture or other such place will do.
5. It would seem proper that the Prefect, the Mayor, the Giunta Comunale and a few Allied A.S.T. Officers should be present at the ceremony.
6. The ceremony could be held within 7 to 10 days.

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C. G. Conelli d'Arignano.

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CC/ U.S. 8th Army A.M.G.

PATROL'S SITUATION IN THE AREA OF THE
AND POLISH CORPS.

Following instructions, on 25 October I went to Bagno
to get in touch with A.M.G. Lt. Col. Jiri in and
with Lt. Col. Petter Provincial Commissioner for Polish Province.

On 26 Oct. with the representative of the C.I.C. I went
to 31 / 1 Bagno to start on our work and on that occasion
I got in touch with Capt. M. L. test, who operates in the same
region.

The situation is as follows: All Patrols of this Area
belong to the 1st Polish Corps. The Patrols are at present
engaged upon military operations under the command of the
C.I.C. represented by Mr. Monti, with whom I got in touch
and had a very long talk.

Mr. Monti has expressed the opinion that while the Patrols
are engaged on military operations there is no need for our
intervention which would only hinder their present work.
Mr. Jiri, C.I.C. representative and myself actively agree with
Mr. Monti. Our intervention will be useful and required when
the Patrols will be demobilized, to put into action all the
known provisions.

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The local situation has not allowed the formation of
other Patrols Units because the 1st Polish Corps, nor does
it concern to the employment of Groups of Patrols to keep
the order, as was the case in the above areas.

To this day the following centres have been visited:

Patrols in Bagno, Bagno di Bergamo, S. Sofia, S. Maria, Civita-
tella.

In S. Maria two incidents took place, they were caused
by two elements who, pretending to be Patrols, claimed firstly
money, and secondly food, without paying for them.

After a speech was made it appeared that neither was
member of the 1st Polish Corps.

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It is up to the A.C. and the Police to stop such activities, I am not doing anything about it.

In view of the above and in consideration of the unsatisfactory situation I suggest:

1. That the activities of work in the area should be temporarily postponed, i.e. until the matter will be discussed;

2. That I should be in the office of command to make it possible:

(a) - to convey to the Italian Army (at least pending further advances) all those members who want to enlist in the Army;

(b) - to make the army's office;

(c) - to convey to the army those who are in the area of the army;

(d) - to report all the activities which will be necessary.

3. That I should be in the office of command to make it possible to convey to the Italian Army (at least pending further advances) all those members who want to enlist in the Army.

As regards the matter of the army's office, I believe that the command of the Unit should be in the office of command and that special care should be paid to the collection of the army's office. Both operations could be done in the office of command.

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(signed) Capt. C. M. M. M. M.

3rd November 1944.

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