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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
C-5 Section
APO 512

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14 September 1944

C-5: 303.2-1

SUBJECT: Austrian Activities in Rome.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

1. Attached is copy of pamphlet RAL 97 of 17 July 44 published by OSS (under title of the Austrians in Rome) which has just been received by this Section.
2. Your comments are requested on the above particularly with reference to the statements in it dealing with recognition of the Austrian Office and the Austrian Committee of Liberation.
3. Please return the enclosure with your reply.
For the Asst. Chief of Staff, C-5:


T. B. JACKSON
Lt. Colonel.

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Incl:
as above.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

5 October 1944

Sir:

Your letter of September 25, 1944, addressed to "Commissione Austriaca presso Allied Control Commission - Rome" is returned herewith since no commission of this title exists.

For your information I have to state that the British and American Governments do not recognize officially nor support unofficially any Austrian individual or group.

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM W. SCHOTT
Vice President, Political Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 304

Ref: 273.1

23 September 1944.

REFERENCE TO: G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters.
Copies to: United States Political Adviser,
British Resident Minister.

SUBJECT: Austrian activities in Rome.

1. Reference is made to communication No. G-5: 283.2-1, dated September 14, 1944, on the above subject.

2. The narrative matter of the attached pamphlet in the main is correct. The amount of help afforded the movement by the Vatican is a matter of conjecture, but Dr. Rudi, the original leader of the "Committee" is Bishop of the and consultant to the Holy Office.

3. The Austrian colony in Rome is some 350 in number, representing a mixture of political shades from Right to Left, and classified in four different categories. They are not united and there recently has been a division of forces regarding a constitution of the Committee, from which it appears that the group no longer will be "definitely led by aristocrats". It is not known that the "Austrian Office" ever was established.

4. The Austrian group receives no official support of the Allied authorities in Italy. The United States Government has declared that its attitude towards Austria goes no further than the Moscow Declaration on Austria, and Allied authorities make no distinction between Austrians and other enemy aliens.

5. Allied Control Commission has not recognized the Committee nor the Austrian Office. As late as August 15, Political Section tabled a request by Bishop Rudi to publish a Free Austrian news sheet. Permission to hold a private meeting of the Austrians in Rome was granted, and held, late in June 1944, but nothing of consequence came of it.

6. In strictest confidence it should be said that in several recent instances G. . . reports which have been brought to the attention of the Political Section have been erroneous or misleading.

WILLIAM E. SCHUTT
Vice-President, Political Section.

Copy to:

U.S. Representative, A.C.C.
British High Commissioner.

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G-5: 363.2-1

14 September 1944

SUBJECT: Austrian Activities in Rome.

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Lt. Col.T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

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"Archbishop Alois Hudal -

"Archbishop Alois Hudal is the Rector of the Collegio dell' Anima in Rome. It has been reliably reported that he is the Vatican agent for Dr. Werner von der SCHULENBERG, an alleged agent of Emil ROSSETTI of ABWEHR.

"Dr. Schulenberg, a playwright and editor of the German-Italian review 'Italian' was also director of the German Library in Via Gregoriana.

"It has been fairly reliably reported that Dr. SCHULENBERG has created an elaborate Anti-Nazi facade to cover German espionage activities."

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"Nino Cardella

"Information, from a captured German Abwehr Agent, indicates that a friend of his, Nino Cardella, is a plain clothes agent of the Publica Sicurezza in Rome. In March, 1944, this man was working at the Swedish Legation in Rome. He was born in Apriceno, Province of Fogga, is about 27 years old, 166 meters tall, dark hair, eyes and dark complexion."

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