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Ref: P/326

10 February 1945

The Political Section of the Allied Commission presents
its compliments to the French Representative to the Allied Com-
mission and has the honor to forward the attached memorandum
as a matter pertaining to the latter's office.

French Representative to
the Allied Commission

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

№ 6/385/1/0

Subject: Italian civilians arrested
in the Island of Elba.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.S.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs have been informed that twelve Italian civilians amongst whom decor Giuseppe FAZZI were, a short time ago, arrested in the Island of Elba by the French Authorities in order to be interned in North Africa.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would much appreciate being informed as to the reasons and circumstances of the arrest, which seems to be at variance with the news that the French troops have already evacuated Elba.

The Ministry would be grateful if the Political Section could kindly make the necessary representations with a view to obtaining the release and repatriation of the twelve Italian citizens concerned.



Rome, 5th February 1945

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HEAD JARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative
APO 394

Rome, December 26th 1944
JH/SM n° 1.016

To : LIAISON DIVISION
Subject : Protest of Italian Ministry Foreign Affairs.

- 1°/ In reference to your letter 110/38/L of December 15th an investigation was immediately made in regards to the facts brought to the attention of this Office by note of Ministry Foreign Affairs.
- 2°/ It is correct that on December 9th, Lucien ROSSI was arrested by members of the French Provost Marshal Coy Rome French Military Command.
- 3°/ ROSSI, who belongs to the French Army, had escaped from the French Military Barracks in Bagnoli and was considered as a deserter. Therefore a regular warrant for his arrest was issued and it was the duty of French Military Police of Rome to search for him and put him under arrest.
- 4°/ Numerous Allied Military garments were found in the apartment and consequently confiscated. The three military shirts belonging to the Italian soldier were given back to him after it was established that this man belonged to an Italian unit fighting with the 8th Army.
- 5°/ The French Military Police M.C.O. in charge, denies having made any threats against the persons involved./.

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For X. de Sevin, General A.C.
French Representative.

Jehan de Rouce

Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Ufficio Collegamenti

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION - A.C.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs wish to acquaint the A.C. with the following fact:

On the 9th inst. in Rome at about 2.30 p.m., 5 French military policemen stationed in the barracks of the 81st Infantry Regiment, entered armed the house of Pietro Rossi, living in Borgata Tufello, n° 18, apartment n° 339, pronouncing under arrest his son Lucio, born in 1924, as deserter from the French Army.

On this occasion they also struck the paratrooper corporal Pistelli Liberatore of the Nembo Division now in furlough owing to wounds sustained in the 8th Army front and who happened to be in the house, and searched his rucksack, carrying away three military shirts.

Corporal Pistelli complained to the French Command, who called him up to the barracks where his shirts were returned to him; the French policemen again threatened him and stated that they could arrest and kill whom they would.

On the evening of the 10th, two policemen came back to the Borgata Tufello to look for Corporal Pistelli. Not having found him, they warned Pietro Rossi that they would return and pay Pistelli out for his complaint.

These events have raised in Borgata Tufello and Monte Sacro, where their news have quickly spread, the most unfavourable comments and great excitement.

In recalling their memorandum n° 3/995/418 of the 9th inst. on the same subject, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs would appreciate if the A.C. would consider the possibility of recalling the competent French Authorities to a stricter observance of the limits of their competence.

Rome, December 9th 1944

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 19 January 1945

TO : Liaison Division
 FROM: Political Section

1. As the attached memorandum from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs concerns an employee of the Argentine Embassy at the Holy See, I think it falls to be dealt with by you.

2. Marchese Cittadini has confirmed to me that paragraph 3 of this memorandum was in no way intended to imply that the Ministry for Foreign Affairs condoned Senor Francisco Gioco's action in violating the travel regulations of AMG and that they do not wish to press for any particular action on his behalf. They propose to issue a circular to all diplomatic missions accredited to the Quirinale informing them of the regulations governing admission into AMG and AMG Territories and will suggest to the Vatican that they should similarly circularise the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See. When you have dealt with this particular case, perhaps you would let me have the papers back and I will get the latest travel regulations from the Chief of Staff's Office.

3. Incidentally I am not quite clear why this representation was made through the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs at all. Do you not generally deal with the Vatican direct in such matters?

H. L. d'A. HOPKINSON
 A/Vice President, Political Section

1 Encl: Memo No. 6/153/64 dtd 12.1.45

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ALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Allied Military Arrests of
BONCOLINI, SITZIA, ZINGONE,
ANOTTEI.
TO : Security Division,
Public Safety S/C

FILE No. P/226
17 February 1945

The attached file on the above subject is passed to
your office for appropriate action.

Major A. J. STEWART
for Vice-President
Political Section

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ALLIED MILITARY ARRESTS OF RONCOLINI, SITZIA, ZINCONE, ANCIDEI.

FOLLOWING PAPERS TURNED OVER TO SECURITY DIVISION
ON 18 FEBRUARY 1945:

1. IMFA Memo No. 1/3; dtd 18 July 44; plus manuscript ltrs.
(Arrest by Allied Police of Major G. RONCOLINI, Major
F. ZINCONE, and Mr. A. SITZIA).
2. Polsec Ltr sgnd Schott, dtd 5 Aug 44 to IMFA.
(Cases to be examined shortly)
3. IMFA Memo No. 6/877/383; dtd 28 Oct 44.
(Request for further info; and arrest of Capt. E. ANCIDEI)
4. Polsec Ltr sgnd Schott, dtd 30 Oct 44 to G-2, RAAC, No. 826
(request for rpt on situation)
5. RAAC Ltr sgnd Fischer, dtd 31 Oct 44 to Polsec. 826 -----copy attached
(interned for duration)
6. Pol Str sgnd Schott, dtd 4 Nov 44 to IMFA, No. 826.
(interned for duration)
7. IMFA Memo No. 6/458/203; dtd 14 Feb 45; plus manuscript ltrs.
(further info regarding Sig. SPURIA) -----copy attached

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/458/203

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION - A.C.

SUBJECT: Detention in Padula of Mr. SITZIA

1 - The Ministry for Foreign Affairs acknowledge hereby receipt of Memorandum n.826 of November 4, 1944, concerning the internment in Padula, for the duration of the war, of 4 ex-Officials of the Direzione Generale Italiana all'Estero.

2 - In compliance with a verbal request of the Political Section (Mr. SCHOTT) for further data concerning said internees, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs beg to submit to the examination of the competent Allied Authorities the enclosed 4 documents, referring to Signor Albino SITZIA, one of the internees.

/s/ G.D.R.

Rome, February 14th, 1945.

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CONFIDENTIAL
 ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
 Office of the AC of S, G-2
 APO 794, US Army

JWF/pab

31 October 1944

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Subject : ROMCOLINI, Gerardo (1)
 STAZIA, Albino (2)
 ZINGONE, Fausto (3)
 ANCIDDI, Emanuele (4)

To : Hq. A.C., Political Section, APO 394
 US Army
 (attention Mr. W.W. SCHOTT)

Reference your #826, dated 30 Oct 44, subject "Arrests".

1. All of the a/n persons were interned for the duration of the war by order of Hq. Allied Armies in Italy, as follows:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
(1)	26 Aug 44
(2)	26 Aug 44
(3)	26 Aug 44
(4)	9 Sept 44

2. Accordingly, they have been sent to No. 371 Camp, CMF, at Padula. Inasmuch as they are intended to be interned for the duration, no review of their cases is contemplated.

3. For your information only, should you, for and on behalf of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, wish to address a request for review of these cases, the request should be made to:

AC of S, G-2 (C.I.), AFHQ.

JWF
 J. W. FLECHNER,
 Lt. Col., OSS,
 AC of S, G-2.

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