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REMOVAL OF TUDISCO, MICHELE
JULY, AUG. 1944

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(Reg IV) approval of internment of Tudisco.
 3. With regard to internment it-
 self, it does not matter whether the
 territory is under AMG or acc. (Lt Col. Thackeray concurs)
 4. accordingly, I have had
 copies of pertinent papers on this
 file typed and sent them to Maj.
 McKay, Security Branch with whom
 I conferred, with the request that he
 take the necessary action and keep
 us informed.

Replied Temple Capt. V.
 Chaffin off NTS/c

Aug 21.

Approved

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RR T

Aug 26

Staff/s

Please send copy of p. 6. to
 Security Br. (Maj. McKay)

RR T.

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Aug 27

L one. See P. 7. Hw.

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 2

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Ed This requires concrete action, must not be in the
 'table'. Like a career official.

How can we bring pressure on Ital. Govt for his
 removal from office?

Not how do we stand ~~and~~ vigorously

A. Internment

B. Extradition.

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Aug 20Director:

1. Tudisco is a Provincial Secretary of
 Avellino. He is a career official of perhaps
 grade VII. As provincial secretary, he is app-
 ointed by the Min. of Int. on the advice of
 the Prefect. He is removable by the Min. of
 Int. also on recommendation of the Prefect.
 Usually a prov. sec. stays in the same
 province most of the time, - somewhat
 like a communal secretary who remains
 in the same commune. He is concerned
 with province-wide matters.

2. Interior S/C has nothing to do
 with internment proceedings, - except per-
 haps to transmit information to and from
 the Regional Commissioner. AAI initiates
 internment proceedings by authorizing District 3
 to go ahead. Security Branch, ACC, to whom the
 matter was referred by AAI for ACC approval
 is prepared to inform District 3 to proceed
 on the basis of the Regional Commissioner's

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Legal. S.C.

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Reference his [unclear] interview to [unclear] with
J. G. Mackeral. As this matter may later
concern your Department will you please state
if the enclosed letter which I propose writing
Re. Reg. III meets with your approval.
Yr. for Director, Det.

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Interior Sec.

It is recommended that the letter be not
drafted as at paras 4 & 5. Further investigation
shows that the right of arrest with a view to
detention and/or eventual internment is not
derived from R.S.L. No. 12 of 13 April 44 (amending
Art 2 of R.S.L. No. 31) which aims at effecting
arrest for a definite penal offence with a view
to trial. The broader terms on the
restoration of territory provide, inter alia,
for "the exercise of such other powers as may be
deemed necessary for the proper prosecution of
the war". In any event powers of arrest with
a view to detention are defined under
Administrative Instruction No. 6 - 24. NAT.
dated 15 Mar 44 (Ref. ACC/4102/2/L). q.v.

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C. R. Mackeral
for. A. Cho.

HEADQUARTERS
ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

27th August, 1944.

ADD/4/1/58/Int.

SUBJECT: TUDISCO, Michele.

TO : Major John A. McKay, Security Branch.

Reference previous correspondence regarding above subject, herewith
copy of a letter just received from No. 3 District.

Cliff Capn
R. G. B. SPICKER,
Colonel,
Director,
Interior Sub-Commission.

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Enc. 1.

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SUBJECT:- TUDISCO, Michele

Public Safety Div,
ACC Region III

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3 District
Ext 6 29/GSI
21 Aug 44

26 AUG 1944

Ref our 29/GSI of 9 Jul 44.

May your agreement to the internment of the a/n be given
please.

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TO: Director, Interior Sub-Commission
Headquarters, A. C. C.

1. Passed to you

(MR HARARI) Major (absent on
for Maj Gen
Comd

MRH/MS

Alex H. White
Lt. Col.
Executive Officer
Region 3, A.C.C.

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CONFIDENTIAL
HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
A.P.O. 394

Ref : SB/140 I

22 August 1944

Subject : TUDISCO Michele

To : G-S (I)3 District, C.M.F.

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1. Reference your 29/GSI of 9 July 1944, we have no objection to the internment of subject.

2. The delay in replying is regretted but Regional Commissioner Reg. 3 and Interior Sub-Commission had to be consulted.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

John A. McKay
JOHN A. MCKAY,
Major,
Security Branch.

Copy to:

Interior S/C
Reg. Comm. Reg. III

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

12 AUG 1944

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11 August 1944

SUBJECT: Tudisco, Michele, "Provincial Secretary" Avellino.

TO : Director, Interior Sub-Commission
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

P.3

Reference your AOC/4/1/58/Int. dated 23rd July 1944.

1. For your information I attach a copy of a report from the Public Safety Officer, Avellino regarding the a/m subject.

2. I remember the subject when I was Provincial Commissioner of Avellino, and would confirm the opinions expressed by the P.S. Officer.

3. In so far as this headquarters is concerned, no objection would be raised to the internment of the subject.

For the Regional Commissioner:

ALEX H. WHITE
Lt. Col.
Executive OfficerIncls.

As above

AHW/jjf



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HEADQUARTERS

REGION 3, HEADQUARTERS. A.C.C.

AVELLINO PROVINCE

SUBJECT: Security. Reference G.2/A.C.C./60 (30) dated 31/7

TO : Provincial Commissioner, Avellino

FROM : Provincial Public Safety Officer

TUDISCO Michele.

Enquiries have been made regarding the unfavourable report on the a/n and the facts briefly are as follow:

Towards the end of January 1944 Tudisco formed a society named UNIONE LIBERA AGRICOLTORI DI AIELLO DEL SABATO and became the first President. The Committee consisted of three others MONTEDORO Rocco, PIRMONTE Raffael and a man named URSICULO. Subscriptions were a small monthly sum and about 300 peasants were enrolled.

At their meetings they were promised Sulphate of Copper and seed potatoes, the inference to be drawn was that A.C.C. aid to agriculture would be distributed by them.

The Sindaco was never invited to these meetings but was aware of their activities.

On 26th February the Sindaco addressed a meeting in his Comune, attended by TUDISCO and his committee, he explained the working of the Communal Committee and his duty regarding the distribution of any supplies given by A.C.C. and intimated that he would not give up his duties to any other body. Tudisco's committee adopted a provoking attitude at the meeting.

About the beginning of May seed potatoes arrived for distribution and these were issued by the Sindaco and his Communal Committee by means of coupons, and on the 18th May an assignment of Sulphate of Copper was received and dealt with in a similar manner.

As a result of this distribution by the Sindaco and his Communal Committee, very bad feeling arose between the two factions, as when the peasants realised what had happened they asked Tudisco's committee for their subscriptions to be returned, and they started to disband.

The leaders adopted a threatening attitude to the Sindaco and on one occasion actually threatened to burn the Municipio.

There is no doubt in my mind that at this time the leaders of Tudisco's movement were exciting the ignorant peasants to revolt against the authority of the Sindaco.

On 26th May the Sindaco was in his Comune dealing with refugees, in company with two Communal employees, when three shots were fired at him from a hedge. They scattered and three more shots were fired at the Sindaco. Fortunately he was not hit.

Enquiries were made by CC.RR. and MONTEDORO Rocco and PIERONTE Raffael are now in custody on a charge of attempted murder.

TUDISCO severed his connection with his committee about 26th July 1944.

It is not possible to connect him with this actual crime but he must be held morally responsible. He is a man of intellect and would realise that the hatred caused by his committee would eventually result in serious trouble.

Taking into consideration this man's Fascist background and his attempts to undermine the authority of the Sindaco, I have no alternative but to agree with the decision of Number 3. District.

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(s) J. Bear, Major
PPSC

3rd August 1944

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(s) J. Beer, Major
FP30

3rd August 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
 ALL IND CONTROL COMMISSION
 INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
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AOC/4/1/58/Int.

23rd July, 1964.

SUBJECT: "Ulisco, Michele, "Provincial Secretary" Avellino.

TO : HQ Region III.

1. Security Branch this Headquarters have communicated with me regarding your Regional Security Officer's letter to them dated 12 July ref: Ga/AOC/60(30) enclosing:

- (i) letter from 3 District dated 9 July 29/GSI covering
- (ii) report by A18 W3 Sec of 5 July 2/2 upon the above-named.

2. Security considers there was ample evidence to remove TUDISCO from office but invited the views of G.S.I (b) A1I upon the request for his internment contained in 1(i).

3. G.S.I (b) A1I see no reason to override 3 District's decision and explain that G.S.I. have instructions not to arrest public officials without the prior approval of AOC/RT.

4. I shall be glad to have your views and comments on this matter particularly bearing in mind the restoration of Avellino to the Government.

5. Administrative Instruction No. 6, HQ. A1I dated 15th March refers to the subject.

WVH/pw.

for *R. Temple*
 R.C.B. Temple
 Colonel,
 Director,
 Interior SubCommission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/A/1/58/Int

20 July 1944

SUBJECT: TUDISCO, Michele, "Provincial Secretary" Avellino

TO : HQ, Region III

1. Security Branch this Headquarters have communicated with me regarding your Regional Security officer's letter to them dated 12 July ref: Ga/ACC/60(30) enclosing:

- (i) letter from 3 District dated 9 July 29/GSI covering
- (ii) report by 418 PS Sec of 5 July 3/2 upon the above named.

2. Security considers there was ample evidence to remove TUDISCO from office but invited the views of G.S.I.(b) A.A.I. upon the request for his internment contained in 1(i).

3. G.S.I.(b) A.A.I. see no reason to override 3 District's decision and explain that F.S. have instructions not to arrest public officials without the prior approval of ACC/AMG.

4. ~~Having regard, however, to the change of status of Avellino Province since its recent restoration to the Italian Government, the position concerning the removal and/or internment of officials is somewhat altered as the provisions of E.D.L. No. 112 of 26 April will now apply.~~

5. In the circumstances I shall be glad to have your comments regarding this official and the matter generally and particularly your confirmation that this Headquarters should take the necessary steps with a view to TUDISCO's removal and internment in accordance with the above provisions.

4. I shall be glad to have your views on this upon, particularly bearing in mind the restoration of Avellino to the Government and also

5. Administrative instruction to b. HQ, AAI dated 15 March refers to the subject.

F. G. B. SPICER 310
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

WVB/jgt

Administrative Instruction No. 6 HQ AAI. (2)

dated 15 Mar 44 - Ref ACC/4102/2/L

~~in file with Admin~~

See also ACC/4145/L

Art 6 Prisoner of War Eviction Interiors

If the Allied Forces require to arrest any person for security or other reasons such arrest should be carried out ~~carried out~~ in collaboration with Italian officials unless in any particular case it is thought that a request to the Italian police to arrest a suspect would be ineffective. In all ~~such~~ cases except in emergency, the local AAI officer must be informed of the intention to make such arrest, whether by the Allied or Italian authorities. If he is not in agreement the matter will be referred to higher authority. Normally such persons will be detained in 371 P.W. Camp.

has been taken by the AAI officer to be carried out in accordance with the above instructions.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
A.P.O. 394

Boyle - RUC
10/1/58

18 July 1944

Ref. SB/140. I

Subject: TUDISCO Michele

To : Interior Sub - Commission.

1. I forward herewith a file on Subject.
2. His record is such that the recommendation of this Branch is that he be removed from Office.
3. It will be noted that No 3 District state that OC 418 PB. Sec. desires his internment but this does not appear to be the case from a perusal of the basic communication which recommends only his removal from Office.
4. It is suggested that this matter be referred to Regional Commissioner, Reg. III who on the basis of our recommendation and of what comments you may wish to make, can clear the matter up with 3 District and arrange for the removal of the official, if agreed.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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S.J. Harvey
S.J. HARVEY
Major
Security Branch

*See file for details
Action now taken by
Admiral. All in order
applied*

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SUBJECT: TUDISCO Michele

Adv. HQ. Allied Armies in Italy

CONFIDENTIALAAI/1402/5/GMI(b)TO: Security Branch, ACC.

16 July 1944

Ref: attached correspondence.

1. It is noted that 3 District wish to intern TUDISCO and this HQ sees no reason to override this decision.
2. This case was evidently referred to you in accordance with normal procedure in such cases, since FG have been instructed, not to arrest public officials without first obtaining the approval of ACC/PM.
3. Since you agree to the removal of TUDISCO from office would you please inform 3 District accordingly and they will presumably arrange his internment.

for *Phurane Capt*
Brigadier,
B.G.S.(I).

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
A.P.O. 374

Ref. : SE/140 I

15 July 1944

Subject : Michele TUDISCO - Avellino -

To : G.S.I. (E) A.A.I.

1. The attached report from 418 P.S.S. respecting the above named has been forwarded to this office.

2. The evidence discloses (a) that Tudisco was the Provincial Secretary, Avellino, for the last 11 years

(b) he was very pro - Fascist

(c) he is the President of an " Agriculture Control Committee " in a local village which seeks to influence the distribution of fertilizers etc. This was not permitted by the Sindaco.

(d) TUDISCO is prominent in seeking lawyers for the defence of two members of this committee who are charged with attempted murder of the Sindaco on 26th June 1944. Presumably there is no evidence against Tudisco.

3. It is considered by this office that there is ample evidence to remove Tudisco from office, but G.S.I. No 3 District ask for his internment also.

4. May we have your views on this please.

GSI (C) HQ A.C.M.F.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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Ref. 14075.
Date 16 JUL 1944

S. J. HARVEY
Major
Security Branch

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U. S. Army

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Ref: S2/ACC/60(30)

12 July 1944

SUBJECT: Michele TUDISCO.

TO : Security Branch,
Headquarters, A.C.C.

1. The attached letter, 29/GSI dated 9 July 1944, together with copy of report, from 418 FS Section regarding TUDISCO Michele, is forwarded for necessary action.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A. Watts

A. WATTS,
Major, R. Signals,
Regional Security Officer.

Copy to:
3 District,
Attn: Maj. M. E. HAFARI.

AW/fl



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SUBJECT: Special Report.**SECRET****SECRET**3 District
Ext. 6
29/CSI

9 Jul 44

Public Safety Div. ✓
ACC, Region III

1. Herewith copy of a special report received from OC 418 PS Sec.
2. He has requested that the s/n be removed from office and interned, as representing an undesirable element and a danger to local security.
3. May your agreement to this step be given please.

HQ. REGION 3 ACC.

10 JUN 1944

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Time In

1430

Respatched

McL...
 17 M. E. HARARI, Major
 For Lt Col
 G. S.

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SECRETREPORT ON TUDISCO, MISERERE.

1. The a/m is the Provincial Secretary for the Province of AVELLINO and has occupied this post for the last 10/11 years. During the days of Fascism his office was profusely decorated with photographs of party leaders and GRUCCI. These photographs and party insignia were only removed on the morning of 26. July 1943.
2. On the arrival of Maj. SINIGAGLIA, when the Allied flags were first hoisted at the Prefettura, the A.C. Commissioner appeared on the veranda, the officers changed to jeans and cat-calls. The P.C. enquired and was told the TUDISCO was the object of this demonstration of unpopularity which almost amounted to hatred.
3. In 1940 TUDISCO offered his services to the Fascist Army and was enlisted as an officer and sent to Africa in the Artillery under GRANELLI. Before leaving Italy he NAPOLI telling the world that he was off to do his duty in the sacred war against the hated Anglo-Americans.
4. TUDISCO's bosom pal during the reign of Fascism was TASSURINI, an intimate friend of MUSCULINI, one-time Prefeto of AVELLINO, ANCOA, MISTRE and NOW Chief of Police in the Fascist Republic.
5. Since my arrival in AVELLINO there has been a constant stream of complaints against TUDISCO; the latest complaint is of a serious nature and I give details below:-
6. Some few months ago TUDISCO went to the village of AVELLO DEL SABATO and there he organised a so-called Agriculture Control Committee of local farmers. This committee is in no way legally constituted and it was formed without consulting the village Sindaco AVV. RIZZARO GIULIO. At first the object of such a committee was not quite clear and no importance was attached to it by those farmers who were excluded from it, but when the chemicals, fertilizers etc., were delivered by A.C. to the Sindaco this self-appointed committee revealed at least one (possibly the main) object of its formation, and that was the control of the distribution of these A.C. aids to Agriculture.
7. The Sindaco, AVV. RIZZARO GIULIO, refused to delegate the distribution of these goods to the Committee as he is officially responsible to A.C. for this. A few days after this refusal an attempt was made on the life of AVV. RIZZARO. Six revolver shots were fired at him on the night of 26 June 44 as he was walking home with two friends. MORMEDORO ROCCO and FERRANTE RAPPARE, both members of the a/m Agricultural Committee, of which TUDISCO is the President, have been arrested on the charge of attempted homicide. When TUDISCO heard of the immediate arrest of his friends he fled to the mountains.

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4. TUDISCO's behavior during the reign of Fascism was MAGNIFICENT, an intimate friend of MUSSOLINI, one-time Prefeto of AVELLINO, ANCONA, TRIESTE and now Chief of Police in the Fascist Republic.

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8. The political history of this man and his present behaviour are entirely inconsistent with the public office he now holds, and also with the declared Allied policy of ridding liberated Italy from the yoke of greedy Fascist officials.

9. His removal from office is strongly recommended because he constitutes a menace to the civil security of the Province of AVELLINO.

10. I have been promised a copy of the article referred to in para. 3.

5 July 44.

Signed W C ALLAN Capt
C i/o 418 PS Sec.

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