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REPORTS OF TOURS & INSPECTIONS
OCT. 1943 - JAN. 1944

Notes on inspection visit to Naples.
Regions II and IV by Lt. Col. Martin.

C o n f i d e n t i a l

4 to 8 Jan 44.

HQ AMG
Public Safety
Division.

Discussed proposed administrative instruction re Civilian Internees with Col. Kirk who agreed with basic proposals. (copies of draft already sent to C.S.O., C.L.O., AMG 15 A.Gp. and Lt. Col. Gibson, GSI(b) 15 A.Gp. file AMG/411).

AMHQ have proposed special identity card for Italian officials. HQ AMG have drafted a suitable card and was asked to agree this on behalf of HQ AMG 15 Army Group. Agreed the draft but doubted the necessity for it as Italian Civilian Identity cards should suffice south of the Army Control Line. North of that Line the special pass would still be necessary.

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Région III.

Saw Lt.Col.Kraege who had no special problems requiring assistance. Position of R.C.A.P.O. temporarily settled by posting of Lt.Col.Francis (B). Lt.Col.Warner (A) who arrived from TIZI OUZOU with Lt. Col. Francis posted as C.A.P.O. Naples City. Lt.Col.Doherty (B) has been acting in latter capacity, was on sick list but I understood it was intended to make him deputy to Lt.Col. Francis. This may lead to heartburning as Lt.Col.Doherty's appointment in Civil life was Asst. Chief Constable of Glasgow whereas Lt.Col.Francis was a Chief Inspector in the Metropolitan Police. The latter, however, is senior in military rank. All this, as well as similar situations in Region IV and elsewhere, points to necessity of co-ordination of Senior Public Safety Appointments by this HQ. I submit that these appointments should not be made by MES or the British Administrative Headquarters at TIZI OUZOU.

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Saw Lt.Col. Francis and discussed with him monthly reports, arrest forms, new procedure for civilian internees, and impressed on him necessity for personal contact in the field between his staff and provincial officers. He will forward a list of all C.A.P.O.s in the region, their civil experience and their present employment.

The divorce of AMG Fifth Army from Region III not yet accomplished.

Lt. Col. Francis has no officer at his HQ qualified to cover Special Police work, i.e. political, industrial and subversive activities and general liaison with Security Service. There should be one such officer in each region and Major A. Way, late Metropolitan Police, who is believed to be still at TIZI OUZOU is suggested for Region III.

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Later saw Brigadier Carr, R.C.A.O. who was exercised about Millhouse's position on the Rome Team, he being senior, in rank at any rate, to Lt. Col. Pollock. Brig. Carr was also perturbed at the posting to Region IV of Lt. Col. Lynch Blasse who had given a great deal of trouble in the planning stage at TIZI OUZOU. Brig. Carr was in doubt as to what to do with Lynch Blasse. I told him that I understood that Lynch Blasse was being posted as a C.A.O. but that did not simplify matters as there is a large number of Lt. Colonels posted to

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Region IV and awaiting assignment.

Lt. Col. Millhouse had no particular difficulties regarding assistance and I discussed the same subjects with him as with Lt. Col. Francis, Region III.

CC.RR.

Saw Major General Sannino, Commanding the Naples Division. Having worked in close touch with him in Sicily I feel that his appointment should facilitate harmonious relations between the CC.RR. and C.A.P.O.s. Gen. Sannino was glad of an explanation of the relative responsibilities of AMG 15 A. Gp. AMG CTF, and ACC.

ATELLINO.

S.C.A.O. Major Ball (A) has only occupied post since 27 Dec. S.O.A.P.O. Capt. Goodacre (B) assisted by Lieut. Tozer (B). When I arrived S.C.A.O. was concluding a conference with Questore and Police Officials. Commander of CC.RR Group appointed by previous S.C.A.O. had proved unsatisfactory and S.C.A.O. had dismissed him. Uncertain whether his appointment had been confirmed by Naples. Pointed out to S.C.A.P.O. that appointments and removals of CC.RR Officers must be carried out through CC.RR own officials. S.C.A.O. has also removed Questore. CC.RR ineffective but Agenti di P.S. doing good work. Food supply is key to general situation. Only 2 - 3 days supply available. Black Market prevalent. 70% being carried in military vehicles sometimes unwittingly but cases found where troops taking active part in black market.

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S.C.A.O. overworked and understaffed. Complained of obsession of region by Naples complex resulting in lack of appreciation of province's problems. Visits of regional division heads a rarity.

Black Market assisted by military who are far too free in giving lifts to civilians; unable to question civilians as to their loads and difficult for CC.RR to carry out effective check.

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FOGCLA.

S.C.A.O. out and S.C.A.P.O. engaged on General Military Court.
Group Captain RAF has sent S.C.A.O. glowing appreciation of work of
Italian Fire Brigade in tackling and putting out fire in crashed
Wellington bomber on 30 Dec. One result Fire Brigade getting adequate
supplies of petrol and great impetus to their morale. On this
occasion Italian Brigade arrived and were in action long before
Service Brigade.

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Lt. Colonel,
Chief Public Safety.

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Report on visit by Major Lothian - Public Safety - to Puglia Province -
Region IV. - P - 4 Dec. 43.

1. I spent the time at FOGGIA with Lt. Col. C. BRUNO S.C.A.P.O. and carried out some inspections submitting Reports on Prisons direct to him. Colonel Bruno has been alone up to a few days ago when 2 officers joined his staff. These Officers are only on loan from another Province, and neither have experience nor been trained in Public Safety affairs. There are C.A.S.Os at the towns of FOGGIA, LUCERA, MANTOVANIA, S. SEVERO and CERIGNOLA. One experienced junior officer is recommended as assistant to S.C.A.P.O. instead of the 2 officers at present with him.

2. CIVIL POLICE.

(a) The Carabinieri in the province have co-operated well and duties have been efficiently carried out. Other Civil Police forces have performed their duties calling for no comment.

(b) At Foggia there is a C.O.M. force of 130 all ranks and at Lucera a force of 40. The total in the province is 600. I visited the barracks at Foggia, Lucera and Cerignola.

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(c) The number of places of confinement in the province is excessive. G.C.A.F.O. will consider closing some as soon as convenient. He is also considering the appointment of DR. AZEARNI VINO - Director of LUCERA Prison as Provincial Prison Director. This would help supervision and control, and is desirable.

(d) Industries require to be introduced into prisons, but this is found everywhere. I believe the best plan is to tackle prison industries provincially, and later co-ordinate on a Regional plan.

4. POLITICAL PRISONERS.

Internees.

(a) Persons arrested by P.S. as suspects are still being confined in civil prisons. This is understandable in cases confined by P.S. up to Divisions in the Tactical Forces, but they should not be detained in such a prison for

more than a few days. I found one case at GERICHOLA confined by Dock Security and also orders for confinement signed by a Sergeant.

(b) It would also appear that cases put into prison by F.S. have to be referred to AMG to trace.

(c) I attach - Appendix "A" - communication regarding release of one TOMMASINI GIUSEPPE. It is suggested that he should not have been confined in a Civil Prison. Likewise Appendix "B", case of 4 men arrested by CO.RR and handed over to F.S. during October on charges of co-operating with the enemy.

(d) There were 7 Political Prisoners detained at LUCERA, Appendix "C", none at S.SEVIERO, and 10 at GERICHOLA. Particulars of those at GERICHOLA at appendix "D". No record or order was given to the prison for confinement.

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- (b) Supplies are satisfactory. Riots are not anticipated.
- (c) There is no price control at present but one is being established. A fixed price for supplies cannot be made for the Province, as prices vary in districts and towns. Prices have therefore to be settled locally.

8. ARRESTS. CAHERRING and SACHS.

This is a case of an Italian and a Yugo Slav arrested for forging an AMG Officer's signature and of requisitioning in his name. Sachs was arrested in possession of British uniform and a web belt (No.4278035), no badge in cap. He was in an internment camp in 1941 and released 1942. Both men are now very comfortably housed in the prison at S. SEVERO.

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8. LOOTING.

No serious trouble from troops, but there has been considerable by the Italians. There is actual proof in possession of the S.C.A.O. and arrests have been made.

10. BROTHELS & V.D.

BROTHELS

(a) ~~Places~~ have been closed and are watched by Allied Military Police and Civil Police. Patrols arrest any women found wandering the streets for prostitution.

(b) A case of interest was that of a woman sent for inspection by an Italian doctor, she was reported clear of disease, but when examined by a R.A.M.C. Officer was reported to be suffering from V.D.

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The case concerns an Italian woman with a young child, who were given a lift in a vehicle by three coloured American soldiers. All three soldiers are supposed to have had the woman by force.

Provincial HQ. Expects to move to TORRE MUGNONE, about 4 miles west of S. SEVERO very soon. This should be a great improvement as FOGGIA is now very crowded.

W. J. Latham

Major,
Public Safety,
AMG HQ, 15 Army Group.

5 Dec 45.

To:- C.S.O. AMG 15 Army Group,
Copy to:- Region 4 (Main)
S.C.A.O. FOGGIA.

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APPENDIX "A".Copy.Secret equals T.S. Secret.Subject: TOMMASINI GIUSEPPE.A.M.G.
Hq Eighth Army.
-----Main Hq.,
Eighth Army, C.M.F.
M/316/56 I(B).

24/11/43.

Reference your OA/8/23A dated 18 Nov 43 concerning the above named and enclosing a copy a petition on his behalf.

Further evidence has now come to light which in the opinion of the F.S.O. on the spot completely clears the man of suspicion. If you agree, it would be appreciated therefore by this Hq if the man could be released.

(Signed) R.W. LONG,
Capt, G.S.
for Lt.Col. G.S.I.

Field.
AM/RSCopy to: - G.S.I.(b) Hq 15 Army Group.
"A" Branch Main Hq Eighth Army.

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Subject: - MOSKINI GASTANO.

30 Nov 43.

AC H, EIGHTH ARMY.

Main H,
Eighth Army, C.S.P.
M. 316/59 I(6)

24 Nov 43.

1. The above named was the stationmaster at TRINITAPOLI and was arrested by F.S. on 7 Nov 43. It was agreed by Lt. Col. Briggs, S.C.A.P.O. ROMA and this Branch that he should be interned for 12 months.
2. Evidence has been received by F.S. that the information on the strength of which he was arrested and interned was inaccurate.
3. It would be appreciated therefore if you could arrange for him to be released.

(Signed) E.W. JUNG,
Capt, C.S.
for Lt. Col. C.S.I..

Field.
BWL/EM

Copy to: C.S.I. (1) HQ 15 Army Group.
"A" Branch Main HQ Eighth Army.

Copy to Lt. Col. Briggs, S.C.A.P.O. ROMA.
for action as considered necessary.

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28.11.43.

Re. OPM/3
26 Nov 43.

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Subject:- Arrests.To:- S.C.A.O. POGGIA PROVENZA.
From: C.A.O. SERRACAPRIOLA.

1. Montagano Letterino was arrested at St. Croce di Magliano on 21 Oct 43, charged with active co-operation with Germans in dispersing M.R. of St. Croce di Magliano on 26 Sep 43. Witnesses are:

PASCALI Raffaele, Parenziello Maggiore, CC. St. St. Croce.
COCCA Guido, Indesta of St. Croce.
COCCA Renato, Via Genio, St. Croce.
LIGUORI Ernesto, Largo Tripoli, St. Croce.

2. Regarding Goviello Francesco and Petti Silvio, both are prominent Fascist leaders of Tuscany, Goviello Francesco was arrested on 25 Oct 43 and Petti Silvio on 21 Oct 43.

3. These three subjects were arrested by the Carabinieri and handed over to the F.S.S. who held them in the P.S. cage, Serracapriola. They have now been removed to the Serracapriola Goal upon instructions from G.S.I. (b) 5 Corps and are in the custody of the Carabinieri.

4. Will you contact G.S.I. (b) 5 Corps for further information regarding these prisoners and to advise this Office what steps he desires to take.

5. Attached herewith memoranda covering arrests.

(Signed) Capt. C.A.O. Serracapriola.

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ARREST REPORT. 18

Name. MONTAGNO. Christian Name. Letterino.
Father's Chr. Name. Giulio. Date of Birth 18 Nov 1923.
Address. Via Noce No. 3. Town. St. Croce di Magliano.
Prov. of Poggia.

Employment. Bricklayer. Id Card No. : None.

Arrested by Carabinieri. Arrested at ST. CROCE DI MAGLIANO.

Date of arrest : 21 Oct 43. Cage to which sent : P.W. Cage Serracapriola.

REASON FOR ARREST.

Active co-operation with German in dismantling CO. 88. of
ST. CROCE on 26 Sep 43. Retention of CO. 88 rifle until 9 October 43.
In hiding from 7 Oct when Germans left until 11 Oct 43. Since then
the subject of active hostility from the local people.

Witnesses :

PASCALI Raffaello, Maresciallo Maggiore de CO. 88., ST. CROCE.
COCOA Guido, Podesta of ST. CROCE.
COCOA Donato, Via Genio, ST. CROCE.
LIGURSI, Ernesto, Albergo Tripoli, ST. CROCE.

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Signed. 21.10.43.

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Subject:~ Arrest.

To:~ G.S.I (b)
5 Corps.

In accordance with your instructions the following persons held in the P.W.Cage, SERRACAPRIOLA, have to-day been removed to the Serracapriola Gaol, where they are in the custody of the Carabinieri.

MONTAGANO	Letterino - Arrested 68 P.B.S. 21 Oct 43.
COVIELLO	Francesco - " " 25 Oct 43.
PORTI	Silvio - " 33 " 21 Oct 43.

27 Oct 43.

(Signed)

O.C. 63 Field Security
Section.Copy to G.S.I. (b) 8th Army.
A.N.G.C.T.

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ELenco DEI DETENUTI POLITICI ESISTENTI IN QUESTE CARCERI ALLA DATA DEL 3 DICEMBRE 1943.

COGNOME E NOME e paternita	DATA DI NASCITA.	No. Carta ident.	PROFESSIONE.	Arrestato e dove.	Da chi arrestati.
PIRE GIOVANNI fu Giulio	27.7.894.	No. 10557803	Agricoltore.	12.11.943. Foggia.	Comando 47 Prt. Se Sretior Foggia.
MAFFUCCI GINO di Vincenzo.	9.6.884.	No. No cards.	<i>clark?</i> Impiegato.	14.11.943. Foggia.	id.
DEL POZZO ANTONIO fu Antonio.	5.10.905.	No. 10557900.	"	14.11.943. Foggia.	id.
SARLENGA FRANCESCO Mario fu Domenico	28.2.1902.	No. No cards.	Comandante Vigili Urbani.	14.11.943. Foggia.	id.
PIGELICOLA ADOLFO fu Carlo.	21.2.880.	No. No cards.	Assistente Tecnico.	20.10.943. Foggia.	Comando F.S.S. Foggia.
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STELLA UGO di Antonio.	1.12.903.	No. No cards.	Odontotecnico.	16.11.943. Foggia.	"

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POLITICAL PRISONERS - CERIGNOLA.

Mingolla Savino. ✓	Put in Prison	29 Sep
Merafino Bernardino. ✓	"	"
Dibisceglie Raffaele. ✓	"	"
De Meudis Vincenzo. ✓	"	"
Acquaro Antonio. ✓	"	"
Conte Francesco. ✓	"	"
Latini Egidio. ✓	"	1 Oct.
Gagliardi Francesco. ✓	"	2 Oct.
Schiavulli Semplicio. ✓	"	"
Calonico Secondino. ✓	"	1 Nov.

Records of the above attached -- obtained in C.A.Os Office.

No record in case of Calonico.

There is no order in possession of the Prison to detain the above.

1. DI BISCIONE RAFFAELI DI LUIGI E DI TRAVESI ANTONIETTA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 3-5-1900, AND HERE RESIDING, LAWYER, MAGGIORA AND SQUADISTA, HE HAS AN IMPULSIVE CHARACTER, HE IS A DANGEROUS ELEMENT FOR THE FASCIST ORDER. IN 1922 HE WAS IMPRISONED FOR HIS TRIED TO SHUT OFF JOHNNY IN A CONFLICT BETWEEN FASCIST AND SOCIALIST. HE WAS ARRESTED FOR A R.D. 5 JANUARY 1923 IN JULY 1943, IN A MISFEVERANCE HAD WITH PALLADINA ANDREA HE MET AT HIM, WITHOUT ANY HAD CONSEQUENCE. ALL ANTI-FASCIST AND MOST OF ALL INHABITANTS DISLIKE HIM.
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3. AQUARO ANTONIO FU SAVERIO AND FU CATERINELLA MARIA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 4-3-1898, AND HERE RESIDING, SCHOOL CUSTODIAN, HE BELONGED SINCE THE FIRST HOUR TO P.N.F. AS A SQUADISTA. HE HAS AN IMPULSIVE CHARACTER IN ONE OF FASCIST DISSENTION, HE SHOWS SCORN ON HIM.
4. MINICOLA SAVING, FU FRANCESCO AND FU MARIA NICOLETTA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 30-3-1876, AND HERE RESIDING, SHERMAN, HE HAS BEEN CHARGED FOR CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY AND AGAINST PERSON. AT FIRST HE WAS SOCIALIST, AFTER HE BELONGED TO P.N.F. AND SERVED TO A A FASCIST ELEMENT. HE HAS AN IMPULSIVE CHARACTER, ABLE TO COMMIT ANY KIND OF CRIMES. AGAINST THE INHABITANTS DISLIKE HIM.
5. MERTINO MERNANDO FU FRANCESCO AND FU MARIANNA MARIA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 23-5-1887, AND HERE RESIDING, SCHOOL JANITOR, HE HAS BEEN CHARGED FOR CRIMES AGAINST GOOD MORALITY, AND AGAINST PERSON. HE WAS ARRESTED FOR HIS GOOD CONDUCT. HE BELONGED SINCE THE FIRST HOUR TO P.N.F. AS A SQUADISTA. HAS AN IMPULSIVE CHARACTER. MOST OF ALL INHABITANTS DISLIKE HIM.
6. GAGLIARDI FRANCESCO DI GIACO O AND FU ANTONIA PASQUALENA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 19-3-1889, AND HERE RESIDING, MURDERER, HAS AN IMPULSIVE CHARACTER ABLE TO USE ARMS FOR FASCIST REASONS. HE BELONGED TO P.N.F. SINCE THE FIRST HOUR, AS A SQUADISTA. HE IS A DANGEROUS ELEMENT.
7. SCHIAVULLI SERAFINO DI GIANNI AND MARIANNA MARIA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 6-10-1892, AND HERE RESIDING, ADMINISTRATION OF AGRICULTURE CONCERNING AT FIRST HE RELATION ACTIVITY ANTI-FASCIST, BUT IN 1926 HE PASSED TO THE P.N.F. HE HAS BEEN CHARGED FOR CRIMES AGAINST PERSON AND AGAINST PROPERTY, BUT FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS HE LEFT A GOOD CONDUCT INDICATING HIS BUILT UP TO HIS WORK. HE GOT A GOOD PROFIT FROM HIS EMPLOYMENT, AS ADMINISTRATOR OF AGRICULTURE. MANY PEOPLE DISLIKE HIM.
8. INTINI SERAFINO FU GIACOMO AN FU SANTOPIETRO PILO MIA, BORN IN CIRIGNOLA THE 26-11-1886 AND HERE RESIDING, WORKER, HE HAS BEEN CHARGED FOR CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY AND AGAINST PERSON. HE BELONGED TO P.N.F. SINCE THE FIRST HOUR, AS A SQUADISTA, BUT IN THE LAST YEAR HE DIDN'T EXPLAIN ANY FASCIST ACTIVITY. HE IS IN VERY GOOD HEALTH AND IS FATHER OF MANY CHILDREN.

COPY.

SUBJECT:- Political prisoner at present in prison.

To:- C.A.G. Cerignola.
From: 47 P.S.S.
Release.

Rigamonti Giuseppe.
Mingolla Savino.
Conte Francesco.
Schiavulli Semplicio.
Intini Egidio.

The remainder to be interned.

The Pubblica Sicurezza however recommended that the above named Conte Francesco, and Intini Egidio should not be released.
As these men have been held in custody since the arrival of the Allies here it is naturally impossible to judge them on their present activity.

All the persons on the list are apparently ardent fascisti except Mingolla, who was suspected of being socialist, and Schiavulli who was apparently put into custody by the influence of farmers who accused him of having robbed them and swindled them of sharing his official position to do this. The farmers took advantage of the rather turbulent state of affairs to get him out of the way.

From the record and information at our disposal, which is based according to the personal views of the various factions it is not possible to give a decision on the security danger of all of them and as these men were put in by the local Italian authority it recommended that the opinion of the C.A.G. as to their present danger be obtained. According to our present instructions we the moment there appear to be no security objections to their release of Rigamonti, Mingolla and Schiavulli.

Main Hq Eighth Army letter on the release of prisoners in Italian Civil Prisons.

(re M.317 I (b) of 26 Oct 43) states :- "The Italians have a commission functioning for the prisoners release of political prisoners of Italian nationality."

I believe however that the above commission concerns only prisoners put in during Mussolini regime. From the security point of view the earliest solution would be to send all those not released at once to be interned and to allow the internment board to make a final decision.

1/3 Det. 47 P.S.S.
Cerignola.

Nov 24/43.

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SUBJECT: TOMMASINI GIUSEPPE.A.M.G.
H.Q. Eighth Army.Main H.Q.
Eighth Army C.M.F.
M 316/56 I(b)

24 Nov. 43

Reference your OA/8/23A dated 18 Nov. 43 concerning the above named and enclosing a copy a petition on his behalf.

Further evidence has now come to light which in the opinion of the F.S.O. on the spot completely clears the man of suspicion. If you agree, it would be appreciated therefore by this H.Q. if the man could be released.

(Signed) E.W. Long
Capt. GS
for Lt. Col. G.S.I.

Field.
AWL/RM

Copy to: G.S.I. (b) H.Q. 15 Army Group.
"A" Branch Main H.Q. Eighth Army.

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SUBJECT: ROSELLI O ETANO.

30 Nov. 43

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AMG. HQ. EIGHTH ARMY

Main H.Q.
Eighth Army, C.M.F.
M.316/59 I(b)

24 Nov. 43

1. The above named was the stationmaster at TRINITAPOLI and was arrested by F.S. on 7 Nov. 43. It was agreed by Lt. Col. Briggs S.C.A.P.O. FOGGIA and this Branch that he should be interned for 12 months.
2. Evidence has been received by F.S. that the information on the strength of which he was arrested and interned was inaccurate.
3. It would be appreciated therefore if you could arrange for him to be released.

(Signed) E.W. Long
Capt. GS.
for Lt. Col. G.S.I.

Field.
EWL/RM.

Copy to: G.S.I. (b) H.Q. 15 Army Group.
"A" Branch Main H.Q. Eighth Army.

Copy to Lt. Col. Briggs + SCAPO = Foggia.
for action as considered necessary.

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Ref FWM/3
26 Nov. 43

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SUBJECT: Arrests
TO : S.C.A.O. FOGGIA PROVINCE
FROM : C.A.O. SERRACAPRIOLA

1. Montagano Letterino was arrested at St Croce di Magliano, on 21 Oct. 43, charged with active co-operation with Germans in disarming CC.RR. of St Croce di Magliano on 26 Sep. 43.
Witnesses are :
PASCALI Raffaele, Maresciallo Maggiore, CC.RR. St. Croce.
COCCA Guido Podestà of St Croce.
COCCIA Donato, Via Genio, St Croce.
LIGURSI Ernesto, Albergo Tripoli, St Croce.
2. ~~Thesethree~~ Redarguing Coviello Francesco and Petti Silvio, both are prominent fascist leaders of Termoli, Coviello Francesco was arrested on 25 Oct 43 and Petti Silvio on 21 Oct. 43
3. Thesethree subject were arrested by the Carabinieri and handed over to the F.S.S. who held them in the P.W. Cage, Serracapriola. They have now been removed to the Serracapriola Gaol upon instructions from G.S.I. (b) 5 Corps and are in the custody of the Carabinieri.
4. Will you contact G.S.I. (b) 5 Corps for further information regarding these prisoners and to advise this Office what steps he desires to take.
5. Attached herewith memoranda covering arrests.

(Signed) Capt. C.A.O. Serracapriola.

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ARREST REPORT

Name : MONTAGANO. Christian Name : Letterino.
Father's Chr. Name: Giulio. Date of birth: 18 Nov. 1923.
Address: Via Noce No 3. Town: St. Croce di Magliano
Prov. of Foggia.

Employment : Bricklayer. id. Card. No : None.

Arrested by : Carabinieri. Arrested at: ST. CROCE DI MAGLIANO
Date of arrest : 21 Oct. 43. Cage to which sent: P.W. Cage, Serracapriola

REASON FOR ARREST :

Active cooperation with Germans in disarming CC.RR. of
ST CROCE on 26 Sep. 43. Retention of CC.RR. rifle until 9 October 43.
In hiding from 7 Oct. when Germans left until 11 Oct. 43. Since then
the subject of active hostility from the local people.

Witnesses:

PASCALI Raffaele, Maresciallo Maggiore di CC.RR., ST. CROCE;
COCCA Guido, Podestà of ST Croce;
COCCIA Donato, Via Genio, St Croce;
LIGURSI Ernesto, Albergo Tripoli St Croce.

Signed, 21/10/43

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SUBJECT: Arrest

TO : G.S.I. (b)
5 Corps

In accordance with your instructions the following persons held in the P.W. Cage, SERRACAPRIOLA, have to day been removed to the Serracapriola Gaol, where they are in the custody of the Carabinieri.

MONTAGANO	Letterino	+	Arrested	68	F.S.S.	21	Oct. 43
COVIELLO	Francesco	-	"	"	"	25	"
PETTI XI	Silvio	"	"	88	"	21	"

27 Oct. 43

(Signed)

Copy to : G.S.I. (b), 8th Army
A.M.G.O.T.

O.C.68 Field Security Section

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ELENCO DEI DETENUTI POLITICI ESISTENTI IN QUESTE CARCERI ALLA DATA DEL 3 DICEMBRE 1943

COGNOME E NOME e paternità	DATA DI NASCITA	N° Carta ident.	PROFESSIONE	Arrestato e dove	Da
PEPE GIOVANNI fu Giulio	27/7/894	N° 10557803	Agricoltore	12/11/943 Foggia	Com Src
MAFFUCCI GINO di Vincenzo	9/6/884	N° No cards	Impiegato	14/11/943 Foggia	
DEL POZZO ANTONIO fu Antopio	5/10/905	N° 10557900	"	14/11/943 Foggia	
SARLENGA FRANCESCO Mario fu Domenico	28/2/1902	N° No cards	Comandante Vigili Urbani	14/11/943 Foggia	
FIELIOLIA ADOLFO fu Carlo	21/2/880	N° No cards	Assistente Tecnico	20/10/943 Foggia	Co Fo
FRISOLI DOMENICO fu Giuseppe	10/10/892	N° 10205	Assistente Tecnico	7/11/943 Foggia	R. Fo
STELLA UGO di Antonio	1/12/903	N° No cards	Odontotecnico	16/11/943 Foggia	

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1/12/903	N° No cards	Odontotecnico	16/11/943 Foggia	"

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POLITICAL PRISONERS - *CFR 19 NOLA.*

Mingolla Ram Savino.	Put in Prison	29 Sept.
Merafino Bernardino	" "	" "
Dibisceglie Raffaele	" "	" "
De Feudis Vincenzo	" "	" "
Acquero Antonio	" "	" "
Conte Francesco	" "	" "
Intini Egidio	" "	1 ^o Oct.
Gagliardi Francesco	" "	2 "
Schiavulli Semplicio	" "	" "
Calonico Secondino	" "	1 ^o Nov.

Records of the above attached - obtained in G.A.C.S. Office

No record in case of Calonico.

There is no order in possession of the Prison to detain ~~the~~ above.

Acquaro Antonio

Conte Francesco

Intini Egidio

Gagliardi Francesco

Schiavulli Semplicio

Calonico Secondino

"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
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"	"	"	"	2
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	1° Nov.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER

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Subject: Political prisoner at present in prison.

To: C.A.O. Merignola -

From: 47 F.S.S.

Release

Rigamonti Giuseppe
Mingolla Savino
Conte Francesco
Schiavulli Semplicio
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The remainder to be interned

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All the person on the list are apparently ardent fascisti except Mingolla, who was suspected of being socialist, and Schiavulli who was apparently put into custody by the influence of farmers who accused him of having robbed them and swindled them of abusing his official position to do this. The farmers took advantage of the rather turbulent state of affairs to get him out the way.

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Main H.Q. Eight Army letter on the release of prisoners in Italian

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Cerignola

Nov. 24/43

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