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Please draw the attention of the RPO to the definitions of TORRENT - SORRES

and CONFESSIONAL contained in Subsequent Memo 10011 to 28 Mar. I think you will agree that reports of past events are not necessary for security. I think you will agree that CONFESSIONAL and that RPO 10011 will frequently suffice.

Admin
in Apr.

Action on 2A

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To P.S.

Ref Prison returns for Oct. 1st.

There appears to be a substantial overbooking in the judiciary.
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Cannot a transfer be arranged?

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*Sardinia Report**11/11/44 (9A)*HEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC SAFETY
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

13 NOV. 1944

3 November 1944

SUBJECT: Public Safety Monthly Report.

TO : Headquarters, A.C., Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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1. Enclosed please find Public Safety Monthly Report for October 1944.

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C. Hayes

C. HAYES, Capt.,
RPSO, A.C.,
Sardinia Region

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2 Copies, P.S. Monthly Report HQ/S/PSR/22.

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HEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC SAFETY
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

HQ/S/PSH/22

2 November 1944

Public Safety Monthly Report for October 1944

1. Public Security

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(b) While at large on the island, he was never in communication with the enemy.

3. Public Demonstrations

Public order continues to improve. There have been no major food demonstrations reported in October. Two labor

demonstrations took place, however. These were born of protests against the reduced bread ration. One occurred on 2 October 1944 in Cagliari and involved nine hundred (900) workers of the tobacco and ceramics industries. Following a public meeting conducted by Communist leaders in Cagliari, workers of the city transport services also joined the demonstration. Public order was not disturbed and all work was resumed the following day.

The second labor disorder occurred on 3 October 1944. This was staged by workers of the Carbonia mines. Work was resumed the same day and no incidents took place.

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6. Morale

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The Italian Military Censorship Office in Cagliari has submitted a report on public opinion in Cagliari based upon a survey of letters censored by that office for the week of October 7th to October 14th. The report reveals the following:

	Favorable comment	Unfavorable comment
Food situation	77	410
Clothing	17	304
Housing	12	232

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Income	20	142
Transport facilities	0	45
Italian government	129	27
Provincial administration	32	81
Relations with the Allies	271	13
Medicines	7	70
Present military situation	32	31
Future military situation	5	5
Black market activities	0	8
Industrial situation	16	101
Agricultural situation	147	58
Employment	30	141

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DATA ON PRISONS IN SARDINIA

Monthly Return for Oct 1944

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JUDICIARY PRISONS

Prison	Military Prisoners		Civil Prisoners (Men)		Civil Prisoners (Women)		Total
	Aw trial	Under Sen	Aw trial	Under Sent	Aw trial	Under Sent	
CAGLIARI	60 +	3	812	21	35	9	940
SASSARI	72	21	262	83	14	4	456
NUORO	2	4	141	85	14	1	247
ORISTANO	35	7	169	70	10	5	296
TEMPIO	18	4	70	9	3	3	107
LANUSEI	3	0	67	6	6	4	86
Totals	190	39	1521	274	82	26	2132

PENAL COLONIES

CASTIADAS	0	32	0	787	0	0	819
ASINARA	0	50	0	618	0	0	668
MAMONE	0	57	0	257	0	0	314
TRAMARIGLIO	0	61	0	159	0	0	220
ALTIERO	0	167	5	244	0	0	416
SARDICANO	0	6	5	132	0	0	143
Totals	0	373	10	2197	0	0	2580
Oristano Military	199	35	0	0	0	0	234

+ 57 of this number are to be tried in Civil Courts.

DATA ON PRISONS IN SARDINIA
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	Aw trial	Under Sent	Aw trial	Under Sent			
3	812	21	35	9	940	650	+ 290 ✓
21	262	83	14	4	456	280	+ 176 ✓
4	141	85	14	1	247	238	+ 9 ✓
7	169	70	10	5	296	161	+ 135 ✓
4	70	9	3	3	107	60	+ 47 ✓
0	67	6	6	4	86	80	+ 6 ✓
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RESTRICTEDHEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC SAFETY
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HQ/S/SA/21

2 October 1944

Public Safety Monthly Report for September 19441. PUBLIC SECURITYCrime

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Enemy agents may also have in their possession 1,000 lira notes printed before 24 July 1943 and will indicate as their reason for travelling south as a desire to rejoin families.

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3. PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS

Only two food demonstrations took place during the month. One of these occurred at Pattada (Sassari) and the other at Castelsardo (Sassari). This represents a sharp decrease over the preceding month when eight food demonstrations occurred.

4. POLITICAL SITUATION

In a recent meeting of the Council of Ministers on the mainland, certain provisions in favor of the island of Sicily were adopted. The Sardinian press and Sardinian public opinion feel that these provisions were the result of the strong separatist feeling now existing in Sicily. Following this action on behalf of Sicily, Sardinians hope that these same measures will be extended to include Sardinia.

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Socialist Party

Has gained substantially this past month. The appearance of H.E. SARAGAT and the Hon. CORSI on the island was given wide publicity. It is expected that the Socialists will conduct an intense propaganda campaign in the future.

Italian Action Party

Very much on the decline.

Sard Agricultural Party

Has made slight gains although it cannot be considered a major Party.

Republican Party

Showing very few signs of life.

Liberal Party

Many of the most prominent and intellectual persons in Sardinia are among its members but numerically the Party is quite weak.

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- (4) PAGANI Giovanni - 7 years penal servitude and lire 16,000 fine.

A perpetual interdiction was placed against all four, forever barring them from public office or public trust.

VESPA Luigi and MONTALDO Gino were absolved, there being insufficient evidence to warrant a conviction.

6. PUBLIC MORALE

Increasing enemy resistance on the war fronts has somewhat lessened expectations of an early peace among the people. Many feel that Germany, having concentrated the greater part of her forces on her borders, is hoping to prolong the war in the hope that she will tire her adversaries and thereby obtain a conditional rather than an unconditional surrender. This trend of thought is being fostered to a high degree by former Fascist elements who still hope to salvage at least a small part of their lost cause.

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DATA ON PRISONS IN SARDINIA
Monthly Return for September 44

JUDICIARY PRISONS

Prison	Military Prisoners		Civil Prisoners (Men)		Civil Prisoners (Women)		Total	N
	Aw Trial	Under Sen	Aw Trial	Under Sent	Aw Trial	Under Sent		
CAGLIARI	70 +	0	891	21	28	16	1026	
SASSARI	23	10	234	76	10	4	357	
NUORO	10	1	242	8	7	0	268	
ORISANO	35	6	177	64	9	4	295	
TEMPIO	3	0	74	0	0	0	77	
LANUSEI	0	0	35	0	3	0	38	
Totals	141	17	1654	169	57	24	2061	

PENAL COLONIES

CASTIADAS	0	41	0	705	0	0	746	
ASINARA	0	42	0	998	0	0	1040	
MAMONE	0	75	0	301	0	0	376	
TRAVARIGLIO	0	70	0	195	0	0	265	
ALGHERO	0	97	0	282	0	0	379	
SARDICANO	0	5	0	163	0	0	168	
Totals	0	330	0	2644	0	0	2964	

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DATA ON PRISONS IN SARDINIA
Monthly Return for September 44

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0	891	21	28	16	1026	650	+ 376
10	234	76	10	4	357	280	+ 77
1	242	8	7	0	268	238	+ 30
6	177	64	9	4	295	161	+ 134
0	74	0	0	0	77	60	+ 17
0	35	0	3	0	38	80	- 42
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4 September 1944

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1. Enclosed please find Public Safety Monthly Report for August 1944.

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RESTRICTEDHEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC SAFETY
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HQ/S/FSR/20

2 September 1944.

PUBLIC SAFETY MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 1944.a. CRIME1. PUBLIC SECURITY

The incidence of armed robbery and theft has increased during the month. Thirty major hold-ups have been reported and 1,030 head of live-stock valued at approximately 1,165,000 lire have been stolen. The greater number of hold-ups have, as usual, taken place in the Province of Nuoro. The Baracelli (Rural deputy police organizations) have lent the Carabinieri valuable assistance in the fight against organized banditry but both organizations are handicapped due to lack of adequate transport facilities.

Nine (9) murders have been committed on the island in August as a result of crimes of violence.

The scarcity of consumer goods and the basic temperament of Sardinians are often given as reasons for the large number of crimes.

2. SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

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All three agents were members of a group under the command of USAI Luciano, Sardinian priest, who was previously apprehended with two other members (see Public Safety Report HQ/S/FSR/19 dated 5 August 1944). They had been given detailed instructions by German agencies and their mission was to ascertain public feeling in Sardinia towards the Germans and Allies, report the type, amount and location of Allied equipment and determine the Allied strength in Sardinia. It was indicated that additional members of the same group were to arrive shortly. Preparations have been made for their apprehension.

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4. POLITICAL SITUATION

There is little change in the political situation. The Communist Party has further intensified its propaganda activities and continues to be the most active Party in Sardinia. Numerous meetings were held in Sassari and Cagliari Provinces during the month.

The Christian-Democratic Party also continues to gain ground and is second only to the Communist Party insofar as propaganda activities are concerned. This Party is well organized and is given strong support by the entire clergy of the island.

During his visit to Sardinia, Emilio LUSU stated that "on the 29th and 30th of July during the Macomer Congress the Sard Acti... Party would have absorbed the Italian Action Party." The leader of the Sard Action Party, FUGGIONI Luigi, objected to this statement and has further stated that his Party would not join any national party.

The Sindaco of Guspini, assisted by local leaders of the various political parties, organized a public burning of Fascist documents, books, pictures and emblems. The burning was done in the town square and was witnessed by about 1,000 townspeople.

A labor meeting was held in Sassari for the purpose of discussing present high cost of living conditions and wage increases for unskilled workers. Prof. Renzo IACONI, Secretary of the Communist Party and Prof. Carlo LAMBERTI representing the Christian-Democratic Party presided. A report of decisions agreed upon was submitted to the Allied Commission and the Prefect of Sassari.

5. BLACK MARKET

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Figures include 26 August 1944.

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CAGLIARI ✓	60++	3	833	50	46	3	995
SASSARI ✓	35	8	235	75	8	4	365
NUOR ✓	7	2	256	10	10	0	285
ORISTANO ✓	46	6	169	58	11	4	294
TEMPIO ✓	5	0	82	0	1	0	88
LANUSEI ✓	0	0	43	0	6	0	49
Totals	153	19	1618	193	82	11	2076

PENAL COLONIES

CASTIADAS ✓	0	32	0	692	0	0	724
ASINARA ✓	0	27	0	978	0	0	1005
MAMONE ✓	0	68	0	293	0	0	361
TRARRIGLIO ✓	0	69	0	192	0	0	261
ALGHERO ✓	0	97	0	269	0	0	366
SARDICANO ✓	0	6	0	162	0	0	168
Totals	0	299	0	2586	0	0	2885

ORISTANO MILITARY PRISON

	268	23	0	0	0	0	291
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2	256	10	10	0	285	238	+ 47
6	169	58	11	4	294	161	+ 133
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Giuseppe FRONGIA, Communist and Prefect Commissioner of the Sindacati dell'Industria of Cagliari has been removed from office. He is replaced by the Socialist Carlo MELONI of Iglesias.

Communist Party.

Continues to be very active especially in the Iglesias and Sulcis industrial sections. At Guspini (in addition to Nuoro),

the Party is accused of having organized "action squads" whose prime purpose is to intimidate the masses into joining the Party.

Sard Action Party

Has passed a state of crisis due to the passing of its most influential member, Emilio LUSSU, to the Italian Action Party. A number of prominent Sardinians feel that a strong Sardinian Party is essential if the island is to obtain any benefits from the Central Government.

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1,780 kg. Almonds.
30 kg. Cheese.

Charges have been filed against the TOSI Bros. Firm of Nuoro for the illegal transport of the following merchandise which was found on one of the Firm's trucks in transit:

1,500 kg. American coffee.
1,500 "Roma" Cigarettes.
675 Toscani cigars.
23 kg. Sugar.

6. Morale

The military events of the month coupled with the internal strife in Germany and the resignation of Tojo from the Japanese Cabinet have given rise to strong speculation concerning the ending of the war. Enthusiasm is noted among people belonging to every class. Many express the opinion that the war will end before the year is out and an atmosphere of confidence and hope prevails.

7. Miscellaneous

The trial of the GRAUSO Bros., charged with larceny of A.C.C. merchandise valued at £ 800,000, is pending at the Military Tribunal of Oristano. (See letter HQ/S/SA/143 dated 14 July 1944).

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4. POLITICAL SITUATION

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Propaganda activities of the Party are continuing intensely

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and especially in the mining regions of Iglesias. A new sheet entitled "Miniera" is being published by the Party. Recently, Paolo TEDESCHI, member of the Italian Communist Party Executive Committee, delivered speeches in the more important urban centres of the island. The following three points were the theme of his talks:

1. Maximum collaboration in the war effort by the Italians.
2. Moral and material re-construction of the Nation.
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5. BLACK MARKET

Black Market activities still flourish despite all efforts to suppress them on the part of the Police Agencies.

6. MORALE

The momentous events of the month, climaxed by the liberation of Rome, the landings in France and the victorious Soviet offensive were received by civilians and Italian troops with enthusiasm and optimism. The actions of Italian patriots in German-occupied Italy are closely followed in Sardinia. The killing of 400 hostages in the Domitilla Grotto in Rome as reprisal for the death of 32 Germans is bitterly felt by all social classes and has instilled hatred toward the enemy. The incident has been given wide publicity on the island by the press.

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SUBJECT: Public Safety Monthly Report.

TO : Rear H.Q., A.C.C., Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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The Communist and Socialist Parties held large meetings at Cagliari, Sassari, Tempio, Olbia, Ozieri, La Maddalena, Guspini Monserrato and other lesser localities during the May 1st

celebrations. No incidents were reported.

In general, the political situation remains about the same. Each Party seems to be intent in collaborating with the new Badoglio Government and are avoiding open conflict with one another. The Communist and Socialist Parties have drawn closer and closer.

Publication of the Communist Party newspaper, "Il Lavoratore" was initiated on May 1st.

The Christian-Democratic Party held its first Regional Congress at Oristano on 28 May. 200 sections of the Party were represented.

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UTTERING OF ALLIED MILITARY CURRENCY

1. With reference to your letter ACC/14044/PS dated 9 May 1944, the following information is submitted:

VACCA Pasqualino of Samatzi, mutilated World War I veteran, was arrested by the CC.RR on 30 March 1944 for the uttering of Allied Military currency notes. Five (5) £50 notes were altered to £500 notes and four (4) £100 notes were altered to £1000 notes by the above person. VACCA had at least one accomplice who has been identified by the CC.RR but who has not yet been apprehended.

Following are the serial numbers of the notes altered by VACCA all of which have been recovered:

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A08150481, £50 note altered to £500.	"
A06723659A " " " "	"
A27903908A " " " "	"
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A18654640A " " " "	"
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A25487418A " " " "	"

The above notes are being held for prosecution purposes.

2. An altered Allied Military Currency note was given to the Banca Commerciale Italiana of Sassari on 15 April 1944 by one ISETTA Nino. This note was altered from £100 to £500 by the erasure of the figure one (1) and the substitution of the figure five (5). The note is in the possession of the CC.RR who are still investigating the case. Serial No. A20426592A, Series 1943.

3. The Cagliari Civil Hospital confiscated an altered Allied Military Currency note from Signora ETZI Vincenza of Villasimius who presented the note in payment of a hospital bill on 25 May 1944. The note was altered from £50 to £500 by the addition of the figure zero (0). Serial No. A20206909A, Series 1943. Investigations are still in progress.

The three above cases are the only ones reported for the month of May 1944.

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4 May 1944

PUBLIC SAFETY MONTHLY REPORT

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Hair	-	Black, bald above temples and forehead.
Forehead	-	High
Face	-	Full
Height	-	5 ft. 3 in.
Eyes	-	Grey
Age	-	21

SANDINO has relatives in Corsica and Sardinia and is reported to be fluent in both French and the Sardinian dialect. Proper alerts have been effected.

Two enemy agents carrying regular Italian identity cards are reported to be operating in the vicinity of Bono. According to these reports, the agents were last seen on 7 April 1944 when they were guests at the home of a former para-troop lieutenant.

During the Corsica murder trials held at Oristano, it came to the attention of this office that a Colonel in the Italian Air Force (commanding officer of the soldiers being tried) was present in Sardinia. Investigation disclosed that during his stay, this officer visited frequently with members of the "Nembo" Division and was seen conversing with known pro-Fascist paratroopers. It was learned that he had trained the "Nembo" Division. When he visited with these pro-Fascist troopers, the Colonel was dressed in hunting clothes and at times refused to recognize some of his former students in order to keep his visits secret. He is reported to have said, "They wanted to arrest me in Sardinia because I am the true father of the "Nembo" Division. I and I alone can command that Division, they will follow only me."

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Five fire-brigade and Army officers have been arrested following an attempt to reach German-occupied Italy. See attached report.

3. PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS

Eight organized food demonstrations involving about 1100 persons were reported during the month. This is a sharp decrease

over the previous months.

4. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

The Socialist and Communist Parties, following recent accords made in Italy between the two national Parties, are in closer collaboration. The platform which has now emerged seems more moderate and reformist. During a recent meeting of the combined Parties, tributes were paid to the Russian, British and American Armies. The Parties expressed their determination to work in close harmony with the Allies.

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7. Use of normal postal channels must be kept at a minimum. Whenever possible, all communications should be delivered by hand. Should this be impossible, rosters bearing names of members will not be sent through the mails and only numbered strength reports shall be forwarded.
8. Should any person be suspected of being a spy within the Party, the fact should be brought to the immediate attention of the Provincial Committee.

The Regional Secretariat.

A new Party has been organized. This Party is known as the Sard Agricultural Party and caters to farm producers and laborers. It is conservative and is said to be opposed to any vestige of Fascism.

5. MORALE

a. Civilian

Civilian morale is showing signs of improvement. People are following war news with great interest. The news that Italians have been cited for valor in Allied communiques has been received with enthusiasm.

b. Italian Army

Definite improvement.

c. Allied Troops

The conduct and morale of Allied troops continues to be good.

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16th May 1944

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15 April 1944.

ACC/14011/PS/6

Subject : Classification of Documents.

To : R.P.S.O. Region VI.

1. It is noted that your report for the month of March 1944 was classified "U.S. SECRET - BRITISH MOST SECRET".
2. The report should not have been given ^{a category} higher than Restricted.
3. Your attention is directed to Establishment Memo No. 11 of 28th March 1944 dealing with the Classification of Documents.

Paul G. Kirk
for PAUL G. KIRK, Major
Colonel Inf.,
Chief Public Safety
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- 1) In info only.
- 2) The report is not very complete particularly as to:
 - a) I b numbers?
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 - c) II, what groups? Numbers?

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New file
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7 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Public Safety Monthly Reports.

TO : Rear HQ, ACC, Public Safety Sub-Commission,
APO 394.

FROM : Public Safety Section, ACC, Region VI.

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1. Enclosed please find Public Safety Monthly Report for the month of March 1944.
 2. Subsequently, these reports will be forwarded to your headquarters on or about the first of each month.

JEH/wld.

J. E. Hughes
J. E. HUGHES, Capt.,
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For: The Regional Commissioner,
A.C.C., Region VI.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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 APO 397.

7 April 1944.

Public Safety Monthly Report

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a. Crime

Crime is definitely on the increase, especially those offences involving robbery and theft. The records show that since September last, the above named crimes have tripled in number. The cause, no doubt, is due to a lowering of moral principles as a consequence of the defeat of the Nation, poverty, lack of essential food and necessities of life plus the presence of 200,000 idle Italian troops on the island who contribute, in a large degree, to the great increase in petty crimes.

b. Prostitution and Venereal Disease Control

An effective vice-squad is in operation. This squad is composed of carabinieri and American Military Police. As a result of their activities, a large number of prostitutes have been apprehended, about 30 percent of whom were found to be infected and are now being hospitalized.

c. Black Market

Reports indicate that Black Market activities are also on the increase. Local agencies, with the co-operation of the Provost Marshal, are active in its suppression and control.

II. SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

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Republican Party
Liberal Party
Socialist Party
Communist Party

The strongest and most important of the above is the Sard Action Party. This party has a large following in the intellectual spheres and is particularly prominent in the Province of

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Nuoro. The leaders of the party are two Nuoro lawyers who are held in high esteem both because of their political past and their professional ability.

Next in size and importance is the Christian-Democratic Party followed by the Communist and Socialist Parties in the order named. All the others have scant following and cannot be considered of sufficient importance to greatly alter the political scene.

The Christian-Democratic Party seems destined to hold a prominent place in the political situation of the island. Among the leaders of the party is the Director of the R. University and its propaganda activities are strongly aided by bishops and priests by means of the pulpit and the four existing Catholic periodicals of the island.

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IV. MORALE

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b. Italian Army

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