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RUSSIAN MILITARY MISSION, ARREST OF RUSSIAN NATIONALS
MAY-AUG. 1946

MEMO No. 8

1st July, 1946

To: Director of Public Safety Sub-Commission.

The Executive Commissioner discussed Minute 7 with us.

We still feel more could be done through L.O's, and the point was raised as to whether we should recommend to the Quastore that the men should be freed. Eventually it was agreed we should await the result of our letter to AFHQ.

We must not overlook the point that the men are not applying for freedom, but for Allied Protection. They probably belong to a class who are not unwilling to accept free board and lodging of a kind for the time being.

After a reasonable interval, if we have heard nothing from AFHQ and the I.O. reports no change, please send a reminder asking AFHQ how the matter stands.

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M. CARR, Brigadier.
VE. C.A. SECTION.

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17.7.46.

E. J. Doyle. Col.

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V.P. C.A.S.

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Maj. for signature if appa pce.

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M. CAIR, Brigadier.
VP. CA. SECTION.

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Please see 93. Attached letter to

Maj. for signature if appropriate.

26.8.46.

E. J. Byrd. Colonel.
38.8.46

To: Burke Spay & Co

Letter signed by the V.P.

27/8/46

Transmitted via copy
C.A.S.

MEMO No. 7

22nd June, 1946

To: Executive Commissioner.

1. I am afraid I do not agree with Minute No. 6, but there may have been misunderstanding in this case. We knew of the existence of the Russian Military Mission and of its Displaced Persons activities, but of their status beyond this, I am uncertain.
2. Having regard to shortage of staff etc., I cannot agree that there has been undue delay in this case. Much discussion took place by phone but the more detailed report at 2A did not reach this Headquarters until about 24th June.
3. Endeavour was made through Liaison Officers to get 59 Area to take an interest in this case, both by telephone and letter (see letters at 1D and 1E) without result. In any case, so far as I am aware, it is not the function of this Headquarters to persuade or bring pressure to bear on subordinate military formations to take matters up with their superior authorities. It has been quite clear throughout to those at this Headquarters dealing with the matter that 59 Area wished to avoid having anything to do with it.
4. The information given by Displaced Persons Sub-Commission is incorrect - the men are still in goal. I have dispatched the letter at 2A. I consider AMM should have a detailed report. Moreover they should have a copy of the men's appeal (1c) which it is to be noted is addressed to the Allied Headquarters and not to this Commission.

M. Carr
M. CARR, Brigadier.
VP. CR. Section.

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Minute No. 5

to: Executive Commissioner.

17th June, 1946

As you became involved in this case you may wish to see the letter I propose to send to AMHQ C-5. We know nothing of the status of the so-called Russian Military Mission, and the question of these arrests must be handled, in my opinion, by the Military Authorities in the first place.

Mr. Lan By.
M. GAB, Brigadier.
VP. CA. Section.

July 18/46
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Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section.

1. We seem to have taken a long time (three weeks) to achieve very little in this case.

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3. This being the case the proper action surely would have been to instruct the CIO at MILAN to contact 59 Area and represent the case of these imprisoned Russians to the Area explaining the illegality of the action of the Russian Military Mission and finally to persuade the Area either to take action themselves or to seek instructions from their District in order that the District could take it up with AMHQ. Although strictly beyond the duties of the CIO he might well have been instructed to visit the Russian Military Mission and find out, if possible, the reason for the arrest of these men.

4. I think the proper action now is to telegraph AMHQ with copies to 3 District and CIO MILAN and BOLZANO, stating that the Russian Military Mission has turned over the three Russian nationals for detention and asking AMHQ to instruct 59 Area to make enquiries as to the reasons for this and intimating that it is probably illegal.

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5. Mr Finlay believes the three men have been released at the instance of one of his Officers. Brigadier, Executive Commissioner.

19 June 46

Mr. Finlay
M. C. M. R., Brigadier,
VP. C. A. Section.

July 18/6
July 18/6

II

P.S. Sub Com.

Why is this passed to the Legal Sub Commission at this stage
 We want to find out who advised the CAR & how it was made
 men, what Russian M. H. is responsible made, what is Area
 is doing about it & a great deal more before coming to legal
 opinion. Let this be done please.

McCorr

P.S. S/C

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Stroke Ex. Comm. who stated file had got
 on to his table in error. He reported
 in Henry addressed in unit II to are.

3/6/46.

M. J. B. Dwy.
(V.P.C.A.S.)

V.P. C.A.S.

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J.H.

Please see further letter from P.S. to
 Bologna, which contains little additional
 information to previous correspondence. This
 suggests the matter be referred to AFHQ G.S. and letter
 is attached for signature if this course is approved.

11.6.46

C. J. Dwy. Colonel

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 794

AC/14357/PS

27 August 1946.

SUBJECT : Arrest of Russian Nationals.
TO : Ministry of Interior
Director General of P.S.

1. With reference to your letters
443/50546 of 25th June and 5th August 1946 and
the reply from this Headquarters AC/14357/PS of
9th August 1946:-

2. Instructions have now been received
that the arrest and detention of the Russian
Nationals is a matter which rests entirely between
the Italian and Russian Governments and there is
no ground upon which the Allies can intervene.

For the Chief Commissioner

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MC

M. CARR, Brigadier
VP. CA. Section.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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Ref: G-5: 934.54P

21 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Arrest of Russian Nationals.

Recd 23/8

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

3A

Reference your AG/14357/PS of 21 June.

This matter is one entirely between the Russian and Italian Government and there is no ground upon which the Allies are entitled to intervene.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

A.L. Hamblen
A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

A.S.P.S

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 794

Tel: 489081-416

AG/14357/ES

9 August 1946

SUBJECT : Russian Citizens detained at
Balsanaggiore.

TO : Ministry of Interior,
General Director of P.S.

1. With reference to your letter 43/50546 dated 5/8/46.
2. The question of the disposal of the three Russian Citizens mentioned has been referred for decision to higher authority, and no action should be taken until a decision has been reached which will be communicated to your Ministry as early as possible.

EJB/ae

E. J. EJB, Colonel
Acting Director.

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(Translation N.9.)

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
P.S. General Direction
A.G.R. Div. 3rd Sec.

8222, 5/6/46

Nr. 443/50546

To : ALLIED COMMISSION
P.S. Sub Commission

R.U.P.E

14756

SUBJECT : MORLANDIC Virgili; BARONID Alexander; BORCIAN -
Russians.

With an even-numbered note dated 29th June 1946, we asked
your Commission to communicate its decisions on regard of the
Russian citizens in subject, who were held up at PARPA on an order
issued by the SAISONAGGIORE Soviet Military Mission.

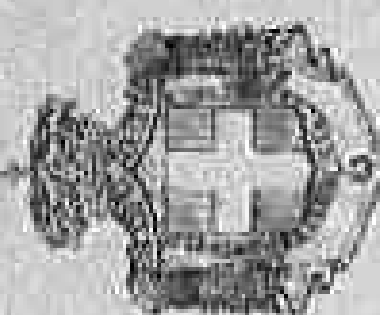
As the same, owing to their long stay in the jail, are
extremely outraged and consequently upset the order of the prison,
we again beg to ask your Commission to communicate the eventual
decisions to be adopted on regard of the same, pointing out that
the opinion of our Ministry is that the Russians in question could be
actually conveyed to the Pesseli Di Carni Gathering-Centre.

Recd. 8/8
Transl. 8/8

TO		
DIRECTOR	X	
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXT. OFFICER		
POURCE	X	
LC & REG.		
PRISONS		
ADM. OFFICER		

For the Minister
SGO/ PESSALI

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Le

Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA



Roma, 5 agosto 1946

Rec. 8/8

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione per la P.S. - ROMA
e per conoscenza

AL MINISTERO AFFARI ESTERI

D.G.A.P. -

AL SIG. PREFETTO DI -

ROMA
PARMA

Divisione A.G.R. Sez. III

Prot. N. 443/50546 Allegati

Prospetto al Foglio del

OGGETTO HORLANCIG Zimofli; BARANOID Alexander; BOROJAN Assen -

Russi.

Con nota pari numero del 25 giugno u.s. si pregava di far conoscere le determinazioni di codesta Commissione nei riguardi dei suddetti russi fermati a Parma per disposizione della Missione Militare sovietica di Salsomaggiore.

Poichè i predetti, attesa la lunga permanenza in carcere, sono in istato di agitazione e turbano l'ordine dello stabilimento carcerario, si interessa nuovamente codesta Commissione perchè faccia conoscere se e quali provvedimenti ritiene di adottare nei confronti, significando che, ad avviso di questo Ministero, gli stessi potrebbero intanto essere avviati nel Centro di Fossoli di Carpi (Modena).

PEL MINISTRO
[Signature]

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C.C.URGENTROME 25/6/46

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Div. A.G.R. Section 3^a
N.443/50546

To : ALLIED COMMISSION
P.S. Sub- Commission
(other addresses omitted)

SUBJECT : Horlacio Zimofli; Baranoid Arsen - Russians.
BABAIAN, ARSEN RUSSI.

The Questura of Parma with note n.02913 dated 7/5/46 reported the arrest of the aliens in object for dispositions taken by the Russian Military Mission at Salsamaggiore. At the act of their arrest they declared to refuse to go back to Russia for fear of getting shot preferring to be delivered to the Anglo-American Authorities.

Subsequently the said Questura reported on June 10th ult. that the Allied Authorities had provided for an Allied Officer to question the m/ Russians and to have replied their unwillingness to go back to Russia.

For due information and for eventual determinations in merit.

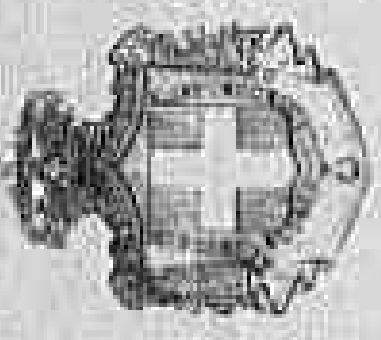
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TO	INT	DATE
DIRECTOR	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>27/6</i>
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
CHIEF OFFICER	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>27/6</i>
ADJ. DIR.		
PRISON		
ADM. OFFICER		
SECURITY		
CHIEF CLERK		

See 5^A await

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

URGENTE

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

S. Commissione per la P.S. - ROMA
e, p.c. AL MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI
Direz. Generale Aff. Politici - ROMA
AL SIG. PREFETTO DI PARMA

Divisione A.G.R. Sec. 3°
Prot. 1443/50546 Allegati

OGGETTO

Horlacio Zimofli; Baranoid Alexander; Babaien Arsen--
russi.

Resposta al Foglio del
Dir. Sec. 3°

La Questura di Parma comunicò, con nota n. 02913 del 7 maggio u.s., che erano stati ivi arrestati, per disposizione della Missione Militare russa di Salsomaggiore, gli stranieri in oggetto, i quali, all'atto del fermo, avevano dichiarato che, in nessun modo volevano far ritorno in Russia per tema di essere fucilati, per cui avrebbero preferito di essere consegnati alle Autorità Anglo-Americane.

Successivamente la predetta Questura, in data 10 corrente, ha comunicato che l'Autorità Alleata ha provveduto a far interrogare i cittadini russi in parola da un proprio ufficiale al quale essi avrebbero dichiarato di non volere ritornare in Russia.

Tanto per opportuna notizia e per eventuali determinazioni in merito.

PEL MINISTRO

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 913.21P

6 July 1946

SUBJECT: Arrest of Russian Nationals.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
(Attn: Civil Affairs Section),
APO 794.

Reference AC/14357/PS of 21 Jun 46.

No action will be taken by Alcom pending further instructions.
The matter has been referred to diplomatic levels.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR		
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	<i>JA</i>	107
EXEC. OFFICER		
CHIEF	<i>JA</i>	133
LT & REG.		
ENJOBS		
ADM. OFFICER		
SECURITY		
CHIEF CLERK		

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Ref: AC/14557/RS

22nd June, 1946

SUBJECT: Arrest of Russian Nationals.

TO: Chief Liaison Officer,
Allied Commission, Bologna.
(Attention: Public Safety Liaison Officer)

With reference to your AC-14557/RS/57 of the 1st June 1946, this matter together with a copy of the petition made by the three detained men was referred, on 21st June 1946, to AFHQ who have been asked to take up the case urgently.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

MC
M. CARR, Brigadier.
VP. CA. SECTION.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

46/14357/PB

21 June 1946

SUBJECT : Arrest of Russian Nationals.

TO : AFHQ, C-5 Section.

1. Notification has been received from the Questere, Parma Province, to the effect that the u/m 3 Russian Nationals were brought to the CC.M. at Salimaggiore, Province of Parma, for detention, by members of a Russian Military Mission whose Headquarters are located in Milan. They were later conveyed to the Parma Judicial Prison for greater security.

The men are:-

HEBLODUC, Timofli.
BABAIOM, Arnon.
BRODOV, Alexander.

2. These men have appealed (copy attached) to the Allied Authorities to be transferred to the latter's control as they fear they will be executed if they are returned to Russia. The members of the Russian Military Mission are still at Salimaggiore.

3. Parma Province is situated within 59 Area who were informed of the arrests by the Allied Commission Liaison Officer, Bologna, and directions asked. A reply was received from 59 Area referring the matter to this Headquarters. The following is known regarding the three arrested men:-

- (1) HEBLODUC is believed to have left Russia before the war and to have lived in Germany and Austria. He was brought to Italy by German Forces and was forced to work in a civilian capacity.
- (2) BABAIOM is believed to have been brought to Italy and forced to work as a civilian having previously been in Persia. He was at one time in an Allied Refugee Camp from which he absconded. Location and details are not known.

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(111) BOROMOV was brought to Italy by the German Forces for forced labour.

None are believed to have been serving members of the Russian Armed Forces.

4. They are still detained in Ruma Prison and the O.G. BR. have not received any written orders or instructions regarding them.

5. ~~It would seem the right of arrest in Italy of Russian Nationals rests solely with the U.S., British and Italian authorities.~~
may the question of the arrests and detention of the men concerned be taken up please
be taken up please with the Russian authorities. urgently.

*Fair copies
replied as amended
above*
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ME
M. GARR, Brigadier
VP. CA. Section.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
Liaison Office I.G.T.
Bologna



CONFIDENTIAL

1st June

Telephone: EMILIA 7

Reference: AC-LG/PS/37

Subject: RUSSIAN MILITARY MISSION. ARREST
OF RUSSIAN NATIONALS.

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

(through Lt. Col. Walters)
(Chief Liaison Officer,
Bologna.)

1. With further reference to corres. AC-LG/PS/37.2I dated 23 May '46, and conversation (Col. Bye - Major Way) of 30 May '46 on above subject.
2. Further enquiries have now been made and the following information obtained.
3. The Russian Mission concerned had representatives at the time of the arrests at Salsomaggiore, Parma Province, and are still there at the present time.
4. In the original instance, it appears that these three Russian nationals were brought to the CC.RR. at Salsomaggiore for detention.
5. Thence these men were conveyed to Fidenza, and later to Parma Judicial Prison, for greater security.
6. Parma Province, as stated in my original report, is within 59 Area, with H.Q. at Milan. Hence reference was made to that H.Q. which would presumably be aware and responsible for the activities of any such Russian Military Mission operating in that area.

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7. A copy of the reply received from 59 Area was attached to my original report.

8. On 28 May '46, I spoke to Major Kennard, GSI(b), Northern Detachment, 3 Dist. H.Q., at Milan, who stated that reference had been made to him by the A.A. and Q.M.G., 59 Area, before the reply referred to in para.7 above, was despatched.

9. He had advised that this was not a matter that could be decided by the Area or his H.Q., and considered that reference should be made to Allied Commission.

10. This was done, and all documents (copies) forwarded to A.C.H.Q. Rome, with report dated 23 May '46.

11. I understood from Major Kennard that no reference had been made either by him or by 59 Area to the Russian Mission.

12. Some further details as to three arrested persons have been given by the Questore, Parma.

13. (a) HOMIACINC is believed to have left Russia before the war and to have lived in Germany and Austria. He was brought to Italy by the German forces being forced to work in a civilian capacity.

(b) BARMOID is believed to have been brought to Italy and forced to work as a civilian, having previously been in Persia. He was at one time in an Allied Refugee Camp in Italy from which he absconded. Location and details not known.

(c) BOBATIAN was brought to Italy by the Germans for forced labour. Nothing further known.

14. None are believed to have been serving members of the Russian Armed Forces.

15. No further instructions have been received either by the Questore or CC.RR. as to the disposal of these prisoners, and CC.RR. never received any written orders or instructions in the first instance. 380'

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16. All are still detained in the Judicial
Prison, Parma.

Andrew G. P. Vay
ANDREW G. P. VAY, MAJOR
Allied Commission Liaison Officer
(Public Safety)

Forwarded

T. W. J. Walters
T. W. J. WALTERS, LT. COL.,
Chief Liaison Officer,
Bologna.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
Liaison Office I.G.T.
Bologna

23 May '46

Telephone: EMILIA 7

Reference: AC-LG/PS/37.2

Subject: RUSSIAN MILITARY MISSION. ARREST
OF RUSSIAN NATIONALS.

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

(through Lt. Col. Walters)
(Chief Liaison Officer,
Bologna.)

1. The attached copy correspondence refers to the arrest by CC.RR., Parma, of three Russian nationals, at the request of a Russian Military Mission.

2. Letters marked "A" and "B" were received at this H.Q. on 14 May '46.

3. From these it appears that no reason was given to the Italian authorities for the arrests, except that these persons were to be held at the disposition of the Russian Military Mission.

4. Parma Province is within the jurisdiction of 59 Area, Milan, and copy letter "C" was forwarded requesting instructions as a Russian military mission is understood to be attached to that H.Q.

5. Letter "D" is a copy of the reply received.

6. As these persons are not charged with any offence under Italian law, or against British/U.S. military security, the correspondence is forwarded for decision as to what action should be taken and any instructions that may be deemed advisable for the Questura, Parma.

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7. Pending such action, instructions have been given for the continued detention of these persons.

Andrew G. P. Way
ANDREW G. P. WAY, MAJOR
Allied Commission Liaison Officer
(Public Safety)

Forwarded

T. W. J. Walters
T. W. J. WALTERS, LT. COL.,
Chief Liaison Officer,
Bologna.

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COPY

R. QUESTURA DI PARMA.

N.02913 di prot. Gab.

7 maggio '46

Oggetto: HORIACINC Zimofli, BARAMOID Alexander e
BOBAIAN Arsen, sudditi Russi.

p.o. On. Allied Commission Liaison IGT - Bologna.
On. Ministero Interno Direz. Gen.P.S.-Roma.

I sudditi russi in oggetto indicati il 19.4.46 furono fermati dai CC.RR. e rinchiusi in carcere a disposizione della Missione Militare Russa.

Gli stessi ora hanno fatto qui pervenire l'unico esposto col quale chiedono di essere consegnati al più presto alle Autorità Anglo-Americane, asserendo di temere, una volta consegnati alle Autorità Russe, di essere fucilati. Gli stessi cittadini russi aggiungono che se non fosse possibile essere presi in consegna dagli Anglo-Americani essi si suiciderebbero.

Trasmette a codesto On. Ufficio l'esposto corredato dalle posizioni giuridiche e resto in attesa di riscontro.

(Firmato) F. Spandò
IL QUESTORE

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Royal Questura of PARMA

C O P Y

7 May 1946.

No 02913 Gab.

"A"

SUBJECT : HORLACIAC Zimofli, BARAMOID Alexander and BOBAIAN
Arsen - Russian Subjects.

Allied Commission Liaison IGT - Bologna
p.c. Ministry of Interior General Direct. of P.S. Rome.

The Russian Nationals in subject were arrested
on 19 April 1946 by the CC.RR. to be held at the disposal
of the Russian Military Mission.

They have now sent the attached petition ask-
ing to be handed to the Anglo-American Authorities, as they
fear to be shot if handed in to the Russian Authorities.
They add that if their request could not be complied with
by the U.S. or British Allies, they would commit suicide.

Enclosed herewith you will also find correspondence
concerning their judicial position. An early reply would be
appreciated.

(sgd) Spand
Questore.

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Translation DS

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CARICRI GIUDIZIARIE
PARMA

Al COMANDO ALLEATO.

I sottoscritti, BABAION Arsen, BORONOV Alexander,
HORLACINC Timofli, fanno presente quanto segue a codesto
Comando Alleato:

- 1) Noi sottoscritti fummo arrestati il 19 aprile '46
dai R. Carabinieri italiani per ordine della Mili-
zia Militare Russa e tuttora siamo incarcerati
presso il Carcere Giudiziario di Parma.
- 2) Chiediamo a codesto Comando di essere presi in con-
segna dagli Alleati Anglo-Americani entro il più
breve tempo possibile, in quanto che se venissimo
ad essere presi dalla Milizia Russa saremmo, non
appena rientrati in Russia, fucilati.
- 3) In caso contrario, se cioè codesto Comando non
provvederà a prenderci sotto la sua tutela noi ci
daremo a volontaria morte.

Fiduciosi,

(f.to) HORLACINC Timofli
BABAION Arsen
BORONOV Alexander

Parma, 2 Maggio 1946

Visto, IL Direttore

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JUDICIAL PRISON OF PARMA

Copy

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"B"

TO ALLIED COMMAND

We undersigned BABATON Arsen, BORONOV Alexander, HORLACING Timofli point out the following to your Allied Command :

1. We have been arrested on 19 April 1946 by the Italian CC.RR. at the request of the Russian Military Mission and are still imprisoned at the Judicial Prison of Parma;
2. We ask your Command to urgently hand us to the U.S. or British Authorities as, if we should be handed in to the Russian Mission, we would be shot as soon as we entered the Russian territory;
3. In the negative, i.e. if your Command will not take us under its protection, we will commit suicide.

Trusting in your intervention

(sgd) HORLACING Timofli
BABATON Arsen
BORONOV Alexander

Parma, 2 May 1946

Checked, the Director. 380~

Translation DS

ALLIED COMMISSION
Liaison Office I.G.T.
Bologna

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URGENT
CONFIDENTIAL

17th May '46

Telephone: Emilia 7

Reference: AC-LG/PS/19.2

Subject: RUSSIAN MILITARY MISSION. ARREST
OF RUSSIAN NATIONALS.

To: "G" Branch,
HQ 59 Area.

(through Lt. Col. Walters)
(Chief Liaison Officer,
Bologna.)

1. The attached copy letter from the Questore of Parma was received at this H.Q. on 14 May '46.
2. It is not known what powers, if any, representatives of the Russian Mission have to order the arrest of their nationals in this way, and any instructions that should be given to the Questore as to the continued detention, or otherwise, of these persons will be appreciated.
3. It is understood that a Russian Mission is attached to your H.Q., and is presumably responsible in this instance.

(signed) ANDREW G. P. WAY, MAJOR
Allied Commission Liaison Officer
(Public Safety)

Forwarded

T. W. J. WALTERS, LT. COL.,
Chief Liaison Officer,
Bologna.

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Lt. Col. Walters,
Chief Liaison Officer, AC
Bologna.
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Reference your AC-LG/PS/19.2 dated 17 May 46.

1. On referring to a GHQ ruling on this subject it is found that the right of arrest in Italy of Russian nationals is reserved solely to the U.S., British and Italian authorities.

2. In view of this it is suggested that the matter be taken up by you with HQ Allied Commission.

(signed) Major MacKay
for Lt. Col.
AA & QMG

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