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SERIOUS CRIME, NAPLES, 6-7 OCT. 1944
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Minute Sheet 2.

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TO: C.A. Section.

Draft 'A' - For VP's approval please.

Public Safety S/C.
18 Nov 1944.

John W. Chapman.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel,
D.P.S.

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CA Sec. Stencil for signature please, ref 1978

16/11/44
Room 1, 5th floor.
Tel. - Ext. 257.

F. Buchanan MBE
Public Safety, S/C.

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Ps.

1. Your original draft should not have been submitted direct to the Chief Commissioner. All written which have to be submitted to higher authority must be submitted to the VP
2. Secondly the letter should be signed by the DCS not the CC
3. When a general order is to be issued it must be shown that the proposed order has the approval of the Head of the Department, he should have signed the forwarding document
4. As regards the signature that,
 - a) para 1. It is undesirable to follow procedure given
 - b) para 3. It is required recommended - it directs
 - c) Paragraph should be numbered.
5. The letter has been written with the DCS please say whether the draft as a written should with his approval and if not submit with action as he is prepared to recommend.
6. All submissions should be made by initials see para 11 of S/P/CA of 1944. with para 7 of 1944 memo of 13 Oct.

F. Buchanan
- for DCS.

C.A.S.
16 Nov. 1944

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- 3. When a general order is to be issued it must be shown that the proposed order has the approval of the Head of the Department, the Chief, who signed the forwarding minutes.
- 4. As regards the original text:
 - a. para 1. It is unduly lengthy in telling particular cases
 - b. para 3. It is not recommended - it is too long
 - c. Paragraphs should be numbered.
- 5. The letter has been rewritten with the DCS please say whether the draft is written jointly with his approval and if not submit such action as he is prepared to recommend.
- 6. All submissions should be made by minutes see para 11 of D/S/CA to 15 Oct. and para 7 of D/S/CA memo of 13 Oct.

[Signature]
for CAC.

C.A.S.
16 Nov 1944

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REGOLAMENTO ARMIED-COMMISSARI
 ART. 394
 CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref AC/11638/23

16 Nov 44

SUBJECT: Protection of Judicial Institutions.

TO	• RC Toscana Region	• RC Venetia Region
	• RC Emilia Region	• RC Southern Region
	• RC Liguria Region	• SCAG 5 Army
	• RC Piemonte Region	• SCAG 8 Army
	• RC Lombardia Region	

- 1 Very serious robberies have recently occurred from the offices of certain Tribunali when exhibits required in connection with certain cases were stolen. In one case alone the articles stolen were valued at over 20 million lire. The seriousness and consequences of such robberies cannot be over-emphasized and they must not be allowed to occur again.
- 2 It is therefore directed that responsibility for the safeguarding of valuable or important exhibits will be laid upon some particular and suitable person who will satisfy himself from time to time by inspection as may be reasonable in the circumstances of the particular case that the articles are secure.
- 3 When not required in Court such articles will be lodged in a strong room or other the best available place of security and such guard as may be necessary, having in mind the relative degree of security of the place of deposit, will be provided.
- 4 An adequate guard will also be provided while such articles are in transit to or from or are in Court.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

G. B. UFFICINI Brig.
 VC JA Section

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SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

Ref: PS/4.6

Date 9 Nov.44

SUBJECT: Serious Crime - Naples.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(for attention of the Director,
Public Safety Sub-Commission). ✓

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1. Attached hereto for your information is a copy translation of a report from the Questore of Naples relative to a serious case of office-breaking at the Tribunale, Naples, on the night of 6th/7th October 1944 when Court exhibits valued at over 20 million lire were stolen by thieves as yet unidentified.

2. The investigation is being watched by this H.Q. and any developments will be reported to you for information.

For the Regional Commissioner:

G. RICHARDSON
Major,
Regional Public
Safety Officer.

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Copy to H.Q. Naples Zone (Attn E.P.S.O.).		

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COPYTRANSLATION

R. QUESTURA di NAPOLI

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File n.02143206

Naples, 3 November 1944

Regarding information sent on Oct. 7, 1944, I hereby inform competent authorities that unknown individuals on the night of Oct. 7, 1944, broke into the office of the Tribunale, located at Castel Capuano.

The above mentioned succeeded in hiding in the vicinity of the office, before closing time, and stole very important valuables, precious objects and bonds, among them recent confiscated valuables belonging to ex-fascists, Piscitelli Armando, and Luigi, De Luca Franz, and Borriello Biagio, and then escaped through a window sawing an iron bar.

Immediate action was taken by this office, while the judicial authorities began also an investigation.

At the scene of the theft various articles belonging to the thieves were found, among them (1) a German flashlight, (2) a U.S. Hatchet, (3) various iron bars, (4) a berrèt made of wool, of the same kind used by the labourers working with the Allies, and after a thorough investigation by the squad Scientific Police, many photographs of the scene of the crime and finger prints of the thieves were taken. An investigation was made and Perna Tommaso and Rippa Luisa were taken into custody. They had slept a few days in the air-raid shelter.

But after a thorough investigation, there was no proof of their participation in the theft and they were later released. The investigation showed that the theft was accomplished without doubt after careful preparation, by people that had full knowledge of the office routine.

Reserved information was gathered of the chief Chancellor of the Tribunale and of two others Chancellors, the Custodian of the Tribunale - Panza Luigi and his son Panza Giuseppe also were interrogated; usher Jovine Emanuele, and Trombetta Concetta and many others were also interrogated. At the present time no information is on hand to convict the responsible people.

Many raids were made in homes and localities of people of bad character but the result was negative.

The investigation has been of interest to all the ^{Questuras} 'Questuras' of liberated Italy, and especially to the Questura of Rome because an identical

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theft did take place in the Tribunale of Rome. Also all CC.RR. authorities were informed and a request of collaboration was made, to aid in apprehending the thaves.

The Superior Police School of Rome, has received finger prints of robbers and one set of finger prints is very valuable, and suspects are brought and investigated; their finger-prints are examined very closely.

From the investigation made by the PS. Agents, no elements of responsibility was found to fix the blame on the office of P.S. of Castellcapuano. The office of P.S. of Castel Capuano, was never informed of the valuables, now were they told to keep special guard in the said office. Other investigations will be made of the staff of the Tribunale by order of the Ministry of Justice but the result at this time is not known.

All valuable information regarding this case will be forwarded.

(Signed) M. Broccoli
Il Questore.

TO	INITIALS	DATE
COL. CHAPMAN	llw	1/21
COL. YOUNG	llw	1/21
LT. COL. ...		
MAJ. ...		
MAJ. WILSON		
MAJ. ...		
MAJ. ...		
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