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ENEMY AGENTS
(MAY 1944);
JULY 1944 - APR. 1945

TRANSLATION

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An enemy agent arrested some time ago, was found in possession of a perfect reproduction of a pass (the three languages type) written in french, english, and Italian, on white paper, size 6x9, signed in ink by Cpt. SGA. VALENTINE, with A.S.G. stamp and S. VALENTINE printed in block letters.

This type of pass has been substituted by the Allied authorities with another smaller, yellow, printed only in English and in Italian.

As it is very probable that the enemy has succeeded also in gaining possession of the new type of pass and might have reproduced it for his own agents the above is reported for whatever action it is deemed fit to take.

J.W.C.

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~~SECRET~~

TO : F.S. Sub-Commission A.C.H.C.
 FROM : HQ. AMG. Umbria-Marche Region
 REF : R5.614/2
 SUBJECT : Enemy Agents
 DATE : 18 April 1945.

1. Ref your telephone message (Lt. Colonel Wilson - Pickering) 9 of April.
2. Herewith copy of report of enemy agents landing at Porto San Elpidio on the 16 of March submitted by P.P.S.O. Ascoli.
3. Forwarded for your information as requested.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER,

TO	INITIALS	DATE
DIRECTOR	[initials]	[date]
DEA	[initials]	[date]
EXC	[initials]	[date]
PC	[initials]	[date]
HC & REG	[initials]	[date]
PRG	[initials]	[date]
SEC	[initials]	[date]
SECURITY	[initials]	[date]
CHIEF	[initials]	[date]

S. Pickering
 S. PICKERING
 Lt. Colonel,
 A.F.S.O.

All these men are now in the hands of the Germans

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TO : H.A.-A.S.G. Umbria-Marche Region - A.T.S.O.
 FROM : Provincial Commissioners, ASCOMI, - P.T.S.O.
 SUBJECT : Enemy Agents.
 REF : IO. 885
 DATE : 16th April, 1945.

Reference your A5/614/2 dated 9th April, 1945 -

1. The case concerning the landing of six enemy agents at Porto San Elpidio on 16th March, 1945, and the subsequent arrest of five of them, has been dealt with by P.T.S.O. Sergeant Harris of 12 F.S. (Ancoia) made full enquiries concerning their landing and reported that at about 05.45 hours on 16th March, 1945, four small boats were seen by a civilian to land on the beach at Porto San Elpidio. Six men got out of these boats which were then pushed back into the sea. Reliable memorised descriptions of the men could now be given but two were reported to be about 180 tall and the other four about 170, all being dressed in civilian clothes without hats. One man wore a dark overcoat and one was carrying a small suitcase. Shortly after, a British soldier was informed and recovered the boats but the men had been disappeared. The boats were described as collapsible carcoes with a light wooden framework covered by rubberised cloth, about 17 feet long, 2'10" wide and about 1'3" deep. One was blue in colour and the others painted dark grey with a slight camouflage effect. Each boat would seat two men. Eight wooden paddles were with the boats which could be converted into four double-ended paddles. One boat had a waterproof cover over the centre and a tow rope attached to a ring in the stern. There were the following markings on the boats:-

First boat - Painting of an Aberdeen terrorist on the stern, preceded by the word "LUMPI" and underneath "In Hand!"
 Second boat - Painted on the stern "AG" followed by the word "VULPCEL".
 Third boat - On bows - "ELIX"; on stern "N:KROW" PG W THISSIMPELS"
 Fourth boat - Stamped on cloth inside BA 6568 - The metal castings on the framework of this boat were stamped "44-46".

Each of the boats had been blatched with a knife from bow to stern apparently with a view to sinking them after the landing. Three of the paddles found in the boats had notes on the blades in pencil: one had the figures "500 - 10000" and the other two had the word "LUMPI" which looked like "LUMPI".

were then given but two were reported to be about 100 tall and men could be seen given but two were reported to be about 100 tall and the other four about 100, all being dressed in civilian clothes without hats. One saw a dark overcoat and one was carrying a small suitcase. Shortly after, a British soldier was informed and recovered the boats but the men had been disappeared. The boats were described as collapsible canoes with a light wooden framework covered by rubberised cloth, about 17 feet long, 2'10" wide and about 1'9" deep. One was blue in colour and the others painted dark grey with a slight camouflage effect. Each boat would seat two men. Eight wooden paddles were with the boats which could be converted into four double-ended paddles. One boat had a waterproof cover over the centre and a tow rope attached to a ring in the stern. There were the following markings on the boats:-

First boat - Fainting of an Aberdeen terrier on the stern, preceded by the word "LUMIN" and underneath "Pu Hunt".

Second boat - Painted on the stern "AZ" followed by the word "MUSCHEL".

Third boat - On bows - "ELIX"; on stern "MELICK" PG "HEISSNUTTER".

Fourth boat - Stamped on cloth inside BA 6568 The metal castings

on the framework of this boat were stamped "X-40".

Each of the boats had been slashed with a knife from bow to stern apparently with a view to sinking them after the landing. Three of the paddles found in the boats had notes on the blades in pencil: one had the figures "300 - 1000", the other had an almost illegible word which looked like "DUMEX", and the third had the figure "2040" and a small drawing which may have been a rough directional guide, like this:-

No sign of any other vessel or of anything unusual was seen out at sea at the time of the landing. The beach was examined at the spot where the boats sank but nothing was found.

10 Corps at Macerata were informed, also military police, the GCR and Guardia Finanza, and extensive enquiries were made in the locality by military and police to trace the men but without immediate result.

2. At a later date, information was received that five of these six men had been arrested near Ancona on 10th March, 1945, but PG 5423 other details are available in this office. I have spoken to Major Mills, P.I.O., Macerata, about these arrests and he telephoned to Capt. Robinson, 314 P.S.S. at Ancona who stated that the arrests were dealt with by his Section, a

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full report being submitted to J.S.I.B.; HQ. No. 1 District, and that any further information could be obtained from Major Landy, No. 1 District - Telephone, KEX Perugia 6220.

J. E. Manuel

J. E. Manuel,

Major,

Provincial Public Safety Officer.

Translation.

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

9th April, 1945.
N. 442/4160

Subject : Landing of enemy elements at Port S.Elpidio.

To : A.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission - Rome.

With ref. to letter n. 442/3412 dated 30/3/45,
it is communicated that the Prefect of Ascoli Piceno has
subsequently communicated as follows:

"" In continuation of the letter n. 1309 dated 17 March, 1945,
it is communicated that the investigations regarding the
landing occurred along the beach of S.Elpidio Port have been
directly carried out by the Allied Military Police, as the
episode under discussion is concerning the war interests.

But we have been just now informed, that the six persons,
who landed left along the beach, at first bound for the ~~maxx~~ sud
and then north and that 5 of them have been already arrested
by the Allied Military Police in the Macerata Province.

For the Minister
Ferrari

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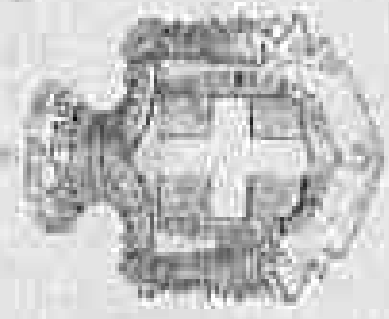
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Roma 9 Aprile 1945



Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

All. L'On. COMMISSIONE

ALLEGATA

SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.

ROMA

A.G.R. L. 2°

Prot. N. 442/4160 Allegati

Risposta al Foglio del

Dir. Int. N. 2

OGGETTO Spurio di elementi nemici in Porto S. Elpidio.

Richiamando la precedente lettera n. 442/3412 del 30 marzo u.s., si comunica che il Prefetto di Ascoli Piceno ha successivamente comunicato quanto segue:

""Facendo seguito alla prefettizia 17 marzo u.s. n. 1309 Gab. si comunica che le indagini per lo sbarco avvenuto lungo la spiaggia di Porto S. Elpidio sono state assunte direttamente dalla Polizia Militare Alleata, trattandosi di episodio di natura prettamente bellica.

Si ha, comunque, ora notizia che i sei sbarcati si allontanarono lungo la spiaggia dapprima in direzione sud e poi verso nord e che cinque di essi sono stati già arrestati dalla Polizia Militare Alleata in Provincia di Macerata"".

TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Date]</i>
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
FOUR	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Date]</i>

PER MINISTRO

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
ADM. OFFICER		
SEC. OFFICER		
CHIEF CLERK		

PER MINISTRO

[Signature]

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Translation.

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

30th March, 1945.
N. 442/3412

Subject : Landing of enemy agents at Porto S. Elpidio.

To : A.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission - Rome.

For your information we transcribe the following report received from the Ascoli Piceno Prefecture and dated 17 instant, n. 1309:

"Yesterday 16th March, at about 0530 hrs. along the beach opposite to Porto S. Elpidio, there landed six individuals in civil clothes with over-coat without hat, apparently unarmed, one of whom carrying a small valise.

They after having with gestures in vain tried to make the fisher Zampolini Giuseppe, son of Domenico, aged 42 from Porto S. Elpidio, ~~approach~~ ^{approach}, left along the beach bound to Sud.

In the four boats there were found hand-grenades and several boxes of explosive gelatine, which have been thrown into the sea by English soldiers, who arrived first of all on the spot.

Active searches for the tracing are being taken by the Allied Command assisted by our Police bodies.

As soon as possible further reports will be given."

For the Minister
Ferrari

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Any information received
please inform Capt BEST.

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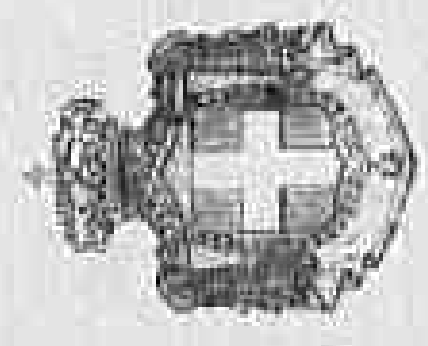
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All arrested. See the Dist
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Ministro dell'Interno
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DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

All. ON. COMMISSIONE
ALLEATA
ROMA

Divisione A.G.R. Sec. 2
Prot. N. 442/3412 Allegati

Risposta al Foglio del
Dir. Sec. N. 2

OGGETTO Sbarco di elementi nemici in Porto S. Elpidio.

Per notizia, si trascrive la seguente segnalazione della Prefettura di
Ssqoli Piceno in data 17 volgente n.1309:

" Verso le ore 5,30 di ieri 16 marzo, nel tratto di spiaggia prospiciente
Porto S. Elpidio da quattro canotti tedeschi sbarcavano sei individui in
abito civile bon cappotto senza copricapo, apparentemente inermi, uno
dei quali con piccola valigia.

Essi dopo avere invano invitato con gesti il pescatore Zampaloni Giu-
seppe di Domenico di anni 42 da Porto S. Elpidio ad avvicinarsi, si allon-
tanavano lungo la spiaggia in direzione sud.

Nelle quattro imbarcazioni si rinvennero bombe a mano e qualche cassa
di gelatina gettate in mare dai militari inglesi giunti per primi sul
posto.

Sono in corso attive ricerche per il loro rintraccio da parte del Co-
mando Alleato, coadiuvato dai nostri organi di polizia.

"...non e' possibile"

Per notizia, si trascrive la seguente segnalazione della Prefettura di Ascoli Piceno in data 17 volgente n.1309:

" Verso le ore 5,30 di ieri 16 marzo, nel tratto di spiaggia prospiciente Porto S. Elpidio da quattro canotti tedeschi sbarcavano sei individui in abito civile bon cappotto senza copricapo, apparentemente inermi, uno dei quali con piccola valigia.

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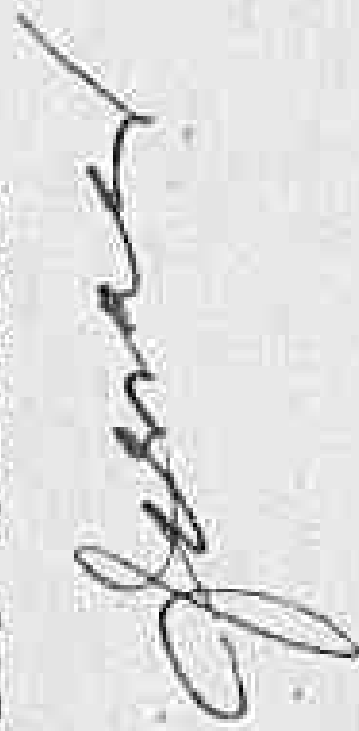
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Mi riservo ulteriori notizie appena possibile".

PEL MINISTRO

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4 April 1945.

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Will you arrange also for C.S.in SARDINIA to prepare a brief case history of these men and forward to P.B.S.(Southern) for onward transmission to the Commandant of the Internment Camp.

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
ASST. DIR.:		
ADM. ASST.		
CHIEF CLERK		
CHIEF OF POLICE		
CHIEF OF FIRE		
CHIEF OF HEALTH		
CHIEF OF SOCIAL WELFARE		
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CHIEF OF UTILITIES		
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(Sd) Illegible
for S.S.HILL-DILION
Colonel, G.S.
G-2(CI) Section.

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HEADQUARTERS
SARDEGNA REGION ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 397

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30 March 1945

L/1491

SUBJECT: Case vs Usai Luciano et al. (Parachutist Case).

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission,
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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Herewith copy of report with reference to sub-
ject case.

For the Regional Commissioner:

Amcopoland
capt
for

JOHN J. SCAMLAN,
1st Lt., CMP,
Regional Legal Officer.

1 Incl.: As above.

TO	INITIALS	DATE
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Those acquitted

Will be interned.

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HEADQUARTERS
SARDEGNA REGION ALLIED COMMISSION
LEGAL DIVISION

29 March 1945

Ref. L/1491

SUBJECT: Case vs Usai Luciano et al.

TO : Chief Legal Officer,
Headquarters Allied Commission, APO 394.

The following report is submitted with reference to 10 parachutists dropped in Sardinia during the period June to November, 1944. The case has now been disposed of by the Italian Military Tribunal at Oristano.

I. Facts of the Case.

1. Subsequent to the surrender of the Italian Government on 8th September, 1943, there was formed in Rome a Sardinian Volunteer Battalion. The chief offender in the case in question, Padre Usai Luciano, was apparently an enthusiastic organizer and propagandist for this Battalion.

2. As a consequent aftermath of the surrender on 8th September, confusion reigned supreme, and groups of Italian soldiers wandered aimlessly without organization, supervision or provision for billeting and messing. This fact being recognized various offices for assistance were organized on a regional basis: - that is the "Office of Assistance for Sards", "Office of Assistance for Sicilians" etc..

3. From the testimony it was evident that Medaglia d'Ora Barracou, Minister of the Fascist Republican Government, a native of Sardinia, and good friend of Padre Usai, was more than casually interested in the "Office of Assistance for Sard Soldiers". This office was located in the same building as the office of recruitment for the Sard Volunteer Battalion. It is alleged that those Italian soldiers from Sardinia seeking assistance were first told to register with the Volunteer Battalion before any assistance was given. The contention of the accused, other than Padre Usai, was that they found themselves in this position.

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4. The Battalion apparently was sent to Villa Opicina (Trieste) during the month of December, 1943, for training. It was later transferred to Fiume on 22 February, 1944.

5. Although it is not clear as to the date, apparently, sometime in March or April, 1944, Barracu gave Padre Usai the mission to organize a group of Sardinian soldiers from the Battalion to be trained in the German espionage school and later sent to Sardinia. It appears that Mario Corongiu was one of the first contacted by Usai. They were sent to the Villa Segliacco at Brescia on Lake Garda where the school was conducted. Corongiu was sent to a radio school in Rome conducted by the Germans and later returned to Segliacco.

6. While others were originally recruited, the names of the following are all that are concerned in the case in question:

Campus Francesco
Castia Antonio
Corongiu Mario
Cotza Virgilio
Manca Angelo
Marchi Antonio
Mastiu Giuseppe
Pischeddu Raffaele
Trincas Francesco
Usai Luciano

7. The purported purpose of the mission was to report by radio, the conditions in Sardinia, particularly the political feelings and tendencies of the people and general information about the activities in Sardinia.

8. Padre Usai together with Antonio Mastiu were dropped from a German plane by parachute in the vicinity of Cabras about 2330 hours on 29th June, 1944. Usai went first to the home of Barracu which was a considerable distance from his home at San Gavino. He later admitted being in Sassari and Alghero. He was later apprehended on 5th July, 1944, by the Carabinieri in the vicinity of Alghero. Mastiu was apprehended shortly after. Usai had 71,000 lire and 500 francs in his possession, together with a written code for transmitting messages. Mastiu was in possession of 100 American dollars and 10 pounds in English money.

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9. Mario Corongiu was dropped from a German plane on 6 July, 1944, at about 2330 hours. There was also dropped with him a radio transmitter which he hid. He was apprehended by shepherds the next day. He admitted having a radio with him but at that time was unable to indicate its location.

10. Antonio Marchi was dropped by parachute on the night of 12 August, 1944, near Su Pabesu. He immediately went to his home in Cristano and visited relatives and friends. He reported to the Military District of Cristano on the 14th and reported his presence on the island and asked to have his military position clarified. He was arrested at his home on 15th August by the CC. RR..

11. Virgilio Cotza and Francesco Campus were dropped by parachute about 0430 hours on 13 August, 1944, near the 381st Radar Unit, U.S. Army. Both were immediately apprehended by shepherds and taken to the above unit. Neither were armed.

12. Lt. Raffaele Pischeddu landed on 27 August, 1944, at about 2315 hours at Aidomaggiore Sedile. He also had a radio and apparently had been designated as second in command to Padre Usai. He voluntarily reported to the Stato Maggiore (Italian Army) on 1st September, 1944, and freely told his story. He was placed under arrest and later realizing the precariousness of his position, escaped, and was later shot by the CC. RR..

13. Antonio Castia was dropped by parachute on 29 August, 1944, at about 2315 hours near Paulilatino Castia. He had 72,000 lire with him which he hid but later without hesitation took the C.I.C. agents to where he had hidden it. Shortly after he had hidden the money he was apprehended by the CC. RR. and taken into custody.

14. Angelo Manca was dropped by parachute at about 0130 hours on 27 September, 1944, near Sassari. He went to his home near Sassari, presented himself to the local CC. RR. who took him to Headquarters where he was placed under arrest.

15. Francesco Trincas was dropped by parachute near his home in Millis on the night of 9 November, 1944.

16. None of the accused resisted arrest or attempted escape with the exception of Pischeddu.

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17. All of the accused with the exception of Corongiu had their families in Sardinia. Corongiu had his wife and children in Piemonte.

18. Usai was the only person in possession of a written code for radio transmission. He was also admittedly the leader of the group.

II. Investigation.

1. Detailed and thorough investigations were carried out by the following organizations:

- a. Counter Intelligence Corps.
- b. G-2, Allied Garrison of Sardinia.
- c. Stato Maggiore Generale, 808 Batt. C.I. (Italian Army Intelligence Corps).

2. All interrogations as an initial proposition were carried out by C.I.C. agents assisted by Capitano Giuseppe Pisano of the Stato Maggiore Generale.

3. Usai was first taken to the mainland for interrogation and was later returned to Sardinia for trial.

4. When all investigations were completed, all information was turned over to the Italian Authorities as noted in Para III, Sub-para 2 (below).

III. Designation of the Court.

1. Advice was sought by G-2 of Allied Garrison of Sardinia as to whether or not the subject case should be tried before an Allied Military Court. In para 2 of latter Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy dated 25 July, 1944, file number AAI/1456/157/CS1(b), Allied Garrison was advised that an Allied Military Court would not be convened. Consequently in compliance with para 3 of subject letter, the case was given over to the Italian Authorities for preparation for trial.

2. All information available in the hands of the Allied investigating authorities was therefore made available to the Italian Authorities. However C.I.C. and G-2 Allied Garrison maintained an active interest in the case and continued their investigations with reference to parachutists arriving subsequent to the date of letter referred to in Para III, Sub-para 1.

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3. Due to the fact that the last parachutists did not arrive until November 1944, investigation was not closed until 20 November, 1944. At this point the case was referred by Capitano Pisano's office to the Chief of Staff of the Italian Military Information Service in Rome.

4. At this point O.S.S. of A.F.H.Q. through one Captain Cerutti became interested in the case from the standpoint of the possible use of Trinca's for espionage work against the Germans. Because of this interest the Italian Authorities at this end were apparently reluctant to proceed further until this was clarified.

5. The case was finally referred to the Italian Military Tribunal at Oristano and the instruction commenced immediately being conducted by Sostituto Procuratore Generale, Tenente Cocco.

IV. The Charges.

1. Three crimes were charged against Usai Luciano as follows:

- a. giving aid and assistance and working for the enemy.
- b. espionage.
- c. recruiting Italian Soldiers for a unit destined to assist the enemy.

2. The rest of the accused were charged with espionage.

V. The Trial.

1. The trial commenced on 5 March, 1945, at Oristano with Colonel Ledda, Primo Presidente of the Tribunal presiding.

2. With the exception of Padre Usai who testified for about one hour, the testimony of the other accused was comparatively brief. Usai was quite unruffled throughout the trial and displayed an usual calm demeanour in spite of the seriousness of the case.

3. The principal line of defense of all accused was that since they were without food, clothing and shelter, they had no choice but to join the Volunteer Battalion as outlined in Para I, sub-para 3. With the exception of Usai and Corongiu each claimed that their

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thought was to come to Sardinia to get away from the Germans and be with their families. That in order to achieve this end, they were willing to appear sincere in engaging in the preparations for the espionage mission. The point was never clear, however, that if this contention were true, whether they communicated their true intentions to one another.

4. Since Corongiu had his family in Piemonte as stated in Para I, sub-para 17, the defense outlined in sub-para 3 above was hardly open to him. However he contended that he knew too much about the activities of the Germans and Fascists and that rather than risk being sent to Germany, this mission offered him an opportunity of escape. He said he was afraid that if he displayed any apparent disloyalty to the Fascists that he would be summarily dealt with.

5. Usai was not able to explain why, if he intended to see his family he had spent several days going every where besides his home at San Gavino. His answers were for the most part weak and evasive.

6. On 6 March the Prosecutor was making his final summation to the Court when there appeared two voluntary witnesses who asked to be heard. After brief interrogation these two claimed to have been members of the Battalion. They also claimed there was a third somewhere on the Island whose whereabouts was then unknown. From their statements it appeared that they had some valuable testimony to give. The trial was therefore suspended until 16 March to allow opportunity to find the third named witness.

7. Trial was resumed on 16 March with the three witnesses appearing. One testified that he was a member of the Volunteer Battalion. Further that 20 of them tried to escape but all were apprehended except him. The 19 apprehended were shot by the Germans.

8. All three testified that Usai had been a violent propagandist and had done his utmost for the Fascist cause while he was with the Volunteer Battalion. They also inferred that Usai was instrumental in the shooting of the 19 Sards who attempted to escape but this testimony was not clear.

VI. Decision of the Court.

1. The decision of the Court was reached on 17⁵ March and announced as follows:

a. Usai Luciano -

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- (i) Sentenced to 30 years of military imprisonment.
- (ii) Suffered loss of military rank and privileges.
- (iii) A perpetual interdiction was placed against him forever barring him from public office or positions of trust.

b. Mario Corongiu -

- (1) Charges were dismissed for lack of evidence.

c. The Other Accused -

- (1) Absolved as not having committed the crime.

2. The Public Prosecutor had asked for the Death Penalty in the case of Usai. In the case of Corongiu he had asked for a sentence of 6 years and for the rest of the accused to be absolved.

VII. Legal Aspects of the Case.

1. At the outset a fundamental distinction must be made with reference to two different aspects of the case. That is the difference between viewing the case from -

- a. The legal aspect.
- b. The military aspect.

With reference to the former it must be borne in mind that it was an Italian court dealing with Italian citizens. Any preconceived idea of what the results ought to be from an Allied viewpoint, have little cogency since the case was tried under Italian law. We can expect no more of the Italian court that to apply its own law according to its own rules. However, this should in no way interfere with the military aspect of the case. By that it is meant the ordinary interment for military security reasons those persons deemed likely to be a threat or jeopardy to the war security. In the latter situation there is neither presumption of innocence or guilt but merely a precaution that is taken on the grounds that it best serves the interests of security during war.

2. The Court and Prosecution were faced with the initial problem of determining the status of the accused. Since they were at one time Italian citizens the question arose as to whether the mere fact of being behind the enemy lines would cause them to lose their citizenship as far as Liberated Italy was concerned. The Court quite rightly answered this in the negative.

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3. The decision with reference to citizenship was important since it determined the problem of whether the accused were to be treated as spies or traitors. If they were spies then there would be a presumption of guilt arising from the mere fact of coming into liberated territory. On the other hand if they were to be treated as traitors, convincing evidence would have to be introduced proving the treasonable acts. Since the Court considered the accused as citizens the problem became one of examining the evidence for treasonable acts.

4. In the case of Usai the Court was clearly convinced that he was guilty under Articles 77 C.P.M.; 47, 59, 85, 26 C.P.M.G.; 483488 C.P.M.. However the Court exercised its judicial discretion and did not impose the death penalty. In addition following the Italian Penal Code it took into consideration that prior to 8 September, 1943, Usai had been awarded a Silver Medal and a Bronze Medal.

5. In addition to charging Corongiu under 77 C.P.M. for co-operating with the enemy, he was charged under Article 90 of the Military Penal Code. This article provides that if a person is found near a Military Area or in possession of an unauthorized radio, there is a presumption of espionage. However the person must be at the Military Area or in possession of the radio at the time of apprehension. Since Corongiu was not in possession of the radio when apprehended, this charge failed.

6. As to the rest of the accused in order to find them guilty of aiding the enemy it would be necessary to prove that the aid was voluntarily given. Under Italian law, there is no presumption that aid, given by those citizens behind the enemy lines, are giving their aid of their own volition. Since proof of this element was lacking, the Prosecutor recommended that these accused be absolved.

Conclusions:

1. On 16 March the Military Tribunal notified the Italian High Command that some of the accused would likely be absolved and to therefore take whatever further action as might be deemed necessary.

2. The accused with the exception of Usai who was already in prison were re-arrested on 23 March, 1945, and are now in Cagliari Prison.

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3. The Stato Maggiore Generale, Ufficio Informazione, Sezione 2a, P.M. 3.800 have been informed by the local Stato Maggiore and further instructions from Rome are being awaited by that office.

4. It has been indicated that Usai may be tried some time in the future, if sufficient evidence comes to light on his activities with reference to the shooting of the 19 Sard escapees.

For the Regional Commissioner:

John J. Scanlan
JOHN J. SCANLAN,
1st Lt., CMP,
Regional Legal Officer.

Copies to:

G-2, AFHQ
Regional Commissioner, Sardegna Region.
Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hdqrs. A.C.

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

Rome, 22nd March, 1945.

Div. A.C.E. II
No. 442/3055

SUBJECT : Enemy parachutists.

TO : A.C. S.S. S/C.

Subsequent to our letter of even number of the 20th instant, it is reported that the Rome Questura has given notification that a certain CASSANO Michele has been arrested in this city, being a "Benbo" parachutist from the North. He declared that he was dropped from an aeroplane near Vetralla in the province of Viterbo, with three companions.

Cassano has been consigned to the Allied Police.

This Ministry, which, as a result of the discovery of much material for sabotage and propaganda in the Monterotondo Commune (also in the province of Viterbo) had already interested the Rome Questura, has now again requested both the Prefect of Viterbo and the Questore of Rome to intensify and coordinate investigations in order to trace the other persons dropped by the enemy.

Further communication on this subject will be forwarded.

FOR THE MINISTER.

TO	
DIRECTOR	
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Roma 22 marzo 1945

Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

Al. on. COMMISSONE ALLEATI
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.
R O M A

Divisione A.G.R. Sec. II

Prot. N. 442/3055 Allegati

Risposta al Foglio del
Dir. Sec. N.

OGGETTO: Paracadutisti nemici-

Di seguito alla nota pari numero del 20 corrente, si comunica che la Questura di Roma ha informato che è stato arrestato in questa città tale CASSANO Michele, paracadutista della "Nembo" di stanza al Nord, il quale ha dichiarato di essere stato lanciato da un aereo, unitamente ad altri tre compagni, nei pressi di Vetralla in provincia di Viterbo.

Il Cassano è stato consegnato alla Polizia Alleata.

Questo Ministero, che per la scoperta del noto materiale di sabotaggio e di propaganda rinvenuto in comune di Monterotondo (pure in Provincia di Viterbo) aveva già interessata la Questura di Roma, ha ora di nuovo richiesto sia al Prefetto di Viterbo che al Questore di Roma, di intensificare e di coordinare le ricerche per addividare al rintraccio degli altri elementi lanciati dal nemico.

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SUBJECT:- Disposition of Personal Property
of Enemy Agents

SECRET

HQ 15th ARMY GROUP

1401/7/GSI(b)

15 Mar 45

Public Safety Sub-Commission, HQ AC

Copy to:- G-2 (CI) AFHQ

Ref your AC/14753/4/PS dated 5 Mar 45.

1. The policy with regard to the disposal of money found in the possession of captured enemy agents in ITALY and given to them by the enemy was laid down in this HQ letters AAI/1401/7 dated 8 May 44 and 13 Sep 44, which were based on AFHQ letters B-389.701-B dated 3 May 44 and 8 Sep 44 respectively. Copies of all these letters are attached.
2. This procedure has worked smoothly throughout the past months, and it is suggested that it might be advisable for reference to be made to it in a supplement to your above quoted letter dated 5 Mar 45.
3. It is further suggested that such a supplement might include reference to the fact that the nearest SCI Unit should take custody of all espionage equipment such as radio transmitters, secret inks etc, the confiscation of which would presumably be ordered by the Court. This has been the procedure hitherto.

TO	
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SECURITY	
CHIEF	

W. D. Gibson

Lt. Colonel,
G.S.I.(b).

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SUBJECT: Disposal of Money Found on Arrested Enemy Agents

RE: ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

SECRET

441/1401/7/GSI(b)

May 44

1. When enemy agents are found, on arrest, to be in possession of money given to them by the enemy, the following procedure will be adopted with regard to the disposal of said money.
2. The money, together with any other documents etc. found in his possession, will accompany the agent while the interrogations, investigations and trial are in progress.
3. On the final disposal of the case, arrangements will be made for the money to be handed over as follows:
 - (a) To G.O. 1 S.O.I. Unit in the case of agents arrested by British personnel.
 - (b) To G.O. GSS X-2 Detachment in the case of those arrested by U.S. personnel.
 - (c) To (a) or (b), according to whether S.O.I. or O.S.S. handled the case, in respect of agents arrested by French, Polish or Italian personnel.
4. A receipt for the money will be obtained in all cases, when-
ever it is handed over.

W. P. H. H. H. H. H.

Brigadier,
S. S. (I).

JWT

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3. On the final disposal of the case, arrangements will be made for the money to be handed over as follows:

- (a) To C.O. 1 S.O.I. Unit in the case of agents arrested by British personnel.
- (b) To C.O. C.S. X-2 Detachment in the case of those arrested by U.S. personnel.
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Dressedier,
S. S.(I).

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CSI, Eighth Army
CSI, 5 Corps
CSI, 1 District
CSI, 2 District
CSI, 3 District
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G-2, I.B.S.
G-2, Allied Garrison, SARDINIA
1 S.O.I. Unit
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3 S.O.I. Unit
O.S.S. Liaison, A.A.I.
16 P.S. Liaison

Copy to: G-2 (CI), A.F.H.Q.

SUBJECT: Disposal of Money Found on
Arrested Enemy Agents

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HQ ALLIED ARMS IN ITALY

REF: FILFOT ADV 79

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G-2, Fifth Army
CSI, Eighth Army
CSI, 1 District
G-2, P.B.S.

COPY TO: CSI, 2 District
CSI, 1 District
G-2, P.A.A.S.
G-2, A.G.S.
1 SUI Unit
SCI Unit (Z)

Re: this HQ letter of even number dated 3 May 44.

In accordance with fresh instructions received from AFHQ, the procedure outlined in the above letter will be carried in respect of para 5(b), which is hereby cancelled and for which the following should be substituted:-

"The nearest U.S. Finance Officer, in the case of those arrested by U.S. personnel."

W. J. Wilson, Jr. Col
for Maj. General,
G-3(I).

JWF

Re: This HQ letter of even number dated 8 May 44.

In accordance with French instructions received from AMUQ, the procedure outlined in the above letter will be amended in respect of Para 3(b), which is hereby cancelled and for which the following should be substituted:--

"The nearest U.S. Finance Officer, in the case of those arrested by U.S. personnel."

JWF

W. J. Carlson - R-64
for signature,
HCS(I).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

B-389.701-B

3 May 1944

SUBJECT: Enemy Agents.
TO : G.S.I. (b)
Headquarters, AAI.

1. From time to time suspected enemy agents have been arrested and found on search to be carrying large sums of money.
2. When money is found on a suspect it is important that it should accompany the individual together with any documents or valuables found in his possession.
3. On arrival at the interrogation centre arrangements will be made for the money to be handed over to:-
 - (a) OC., No. 1 S.C.I. unit in the case of persons arrested by BRITISH personnel.
 - (b) OC., S.C.I. unit OSSX-2 Detachment in the case of persons arrested by AMERICAN personnel.
4. A receipt for the money will be obtained in all cases.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

s/ S. S. Hill-Dillon,
t/ S. S. HILL-DILLON,
Colonel, G.S.,
G-2 (CI) Section.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

B-389.701-B-1

8 Sept., 1944

SUBJECT: Money carried by enemy agents

TO : GSI(b) ., Headquarters (Adv) A.A.I.
A.C. of S., G-2., HQ. P.B.S.

Sub-para 3b of this headquarter's B-389.701-B dated 3 May 44
is cancelled. For it is substituted the following:-

b. The nearest Financial Officer, when the authority
having final jurisdiction over the agent or suspect is
the United States Army, and it is determined that funds
in the possession of the agent or suspect are within
the category of funds "captured or seized from the enemy".

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.

EARLE B. NICHOLS
Lt. Col., G.S.C.
G-2 (CI) Section

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SECRET

SUBJECT : Disposition of personal property of Enemy Agents.

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AF, Rear Eighth Army.

CA/145.

RE Allied Commission.

24 11 Mar 45.

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1. Ref your AC/14753/4/TS of 5 Mar 45.
2. The contents of the above-quoted letter have been noted.
3. Attached herewith, for info, is a copy of an AAI Directive, ref. AAI/1401/7/GSI(4) of 6 May 44, respecting disposal of money found on arrested Enemy Agents..

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Capt.,
W/SCAPO,
for group captain,
Officer Commanding,
AFG, Eighth Army.

TO	DATE
CHIEF OF STAFF	
CHIEF OF DEFENSE	
CHIEF OF SECURITY	
CHIEF OF LOGISTICS	
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HEADQUARTERS
14 MAR 1945
A. C.

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AMENDMENT.

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substitute for para 3(b).

"the nearest US finance officer in the case of
those arrested by US personnel".

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SUBJECT: Disposal of Money Found
on Arrested Enemy Agents.

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MA AATSECRET.AAI/LACM/1/GSI(3).

8 May 44.

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3. On the final disposal of the case, enemy agents will be made for the money to be handed over as follows :-
 - (a) To CC, 1 GCI unit in case of agents arrested by British personnel,
 - (b) To CC, OSS X-2 Detachment in the case of those arrested by its personnel. *The nearest US force will be in the case of those arrested by US personnel.*
 - (c) To (a) or (b), according to whether SOI or OSS handle the case, in respect of agents arrested by French, Polish or Italian personnel.
4. A receipt for the money will be obtained in all cases, whenever it is handed over.

SGD: W.D. GINSON,
Lt. Col.,

for IAG(I).

(a) to CG, 1 SCI unit in case of agents arrested by British personnel,

(b) to CG, CGS X-2 Detachment in the case of those arrested by its personnel. *France off in the case of those arrested by US personnel.*

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CGS: W.D. GIBSON,
Lt. Col.,
for BGS(I).

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File 14A

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478800

5 March 1945

AC/14753/4/PS

SUBJECT : Disposal of property

to : Ministry of Grace and Justice
Director Public Security

See 13A/R

1. The attached property was found on the body of Ugo FULIN, who was killed by a mine in the forward areas.
2. As his home appeared to be at Milan, it is asked that the property be forwarded to his next of kin, should they be located when that territory is liberated.

JS
JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.G.A.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. Army

EJB/ewp

3rd March 1945.

SUBJECT: Personal Effects of Enemy Agent.

203/3.

TO : H.Q., Allied Commission.
Attn: Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. With reference to attached report from Assistant A.C. of S.,
G-2, Fifth Army.

2. The property is forwarded herewith for onward transmission to
the Italian authorities to enable it to be restored to the next of kin of
deceased, whose home was apparently in Milan, should they be located when
that territory is liberated.

For the Commanding General:

E. J. Rye
E. J. RYE,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

TO	
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DEPUTY DIR.	
ENCL. OFFICER	
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APO 464 U.S. Army

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For the Commanding General:

[Signature]
S. J. HYE,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.C. Fifth Army.

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13B

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
Office of the A.C. of S., G-2
A.P.O. #464, U. S. Army

23 February 1945
ARB/he

Subject: FULIN, Ugo

To: Public Safety Officer, AMB, Fifth Army.

1. The attached documents were found on the body of subject, known enemy agent, who was killed by a mine when attempting to cross into AOT on an espionage mission in the 92nd Division sector.
2. They are forwarded to you for disposition.
3. Money found on subject has been turned over to a U.S. Finance Officer in accordance with the provisions of letter, AAI/1401/7/GSI(b), dated 8 May 1944, subject: "Disposal of Money Found on Arrested Enemy Agents", as amended by letter same reference dated 13 September 1944.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

ARTHUR R. BLOW,
Lt. Col., Inf.,
Asst. A.C. of S., G-2

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
AFG 394

AC/M753/4/TS

5 March, 1945

SUBJECT : Disposition of Personnel Property of Enemy Agents.

TO : See Distribution Below :

At the request of this Sub-Commission the following ruling has been given by Legal Sub-Commission for the guidance of F.S.O's and others concerned when dealing with cases against persons charged with espionage.

WD/T.

Copy to : U.F.S. 5th Army
S.G.A.P.O. 8th Army
R.F.S.O. Toscana Region
R.P.S.O. Emilia Region
Captain Edwards
Lt. Col. Waugh
CSI (E) AFHQ (attn: Col. Gibson).

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.C.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFG 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

AC/M753/4/L

2 March 1945

SUBJECT : Disposition of Personnel Property of Enemy Agents.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission (attn: Col. DOWNEY)

1. In answer to your oral request we have to advise you that we have been unable to discover any directives dealing with the disposition of the possessions which may be found on enemy agents.
2. The property of a person arrested on suspicion of espionage should be treated as that of a person arrested on any other charge, e.g. murder. The prisoner retains possession of his property subject to the proviso that any property may be recovered from

File 12A

Copy to : C.F.S. 5th Army
S.C.A.I.C. 8th Army
R.P.S.O. Toscana Region
R.P.S.O. Emilia Region
Captain Edwards
Lt. Col. Waugh
CAF (B) WHQ (Attn: Col. Gibson).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

2 March 1945

AC/104C/1

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3. If the alleged enemy agent is ultimately convicted, the trial court should be asked at the conclusion of the trial to make an order of confiscation with respect to such property as may properly be said to be an integral part of the mission of espionage. Such property could include for instance, a radio transmitter, or photographic equipment. It would not include personal clothing. Money could be made the subject of a confiscation order depending on whether the facts of the case showed it to be connected with the mission of the accused.

4. The strict legal position is in the event of the execution of an enemy agent, that such property as is not confiscated, is held by an appropriate public official for the benefit of his executor or legal representative.

/s/ E.L. Palatieri
/s/ E.L. Palatieri
Major General - Reg.
Acting Chief Counsel
for Chief Legal Advisor

Copy to : AC/104C/5A

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

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AC/4040/L.

/mt.
2 March 1945.

SUBJECT : Disposition of Personal Property of Enemy Agents.
TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission
(Attn: Col DOHERTY).

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TO	DATE	INITIALS
1. Mr. [illegible]	3/8	[illegible]
2. Mr. [illegible]	4/3	[illegible]
COPY TO: AC/4040/L.		
1. Mr. [illegible]		
2. Mr. [illegible]		
3. Mr. [illegible]		
4. Mr. [illegible]		
5. Mr. [illegible]		
6. Mr. [illegible]		
7. Mr. [illegible]		
8. Mr. [illegible]		
9. Mr. [illegible]		
10. Mr. [illegible]		

Es Calmieri
M. L. PALMERI,
Major, Spec - Res,
Acting Chief Counsel,
For Chief Legal Advisor.

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Translation.

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

28 Feb. 1945.
N. 443/60041

Subject : Enemy parachute dropping.

To : A.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission - Rome.

With ref. to the reports n. 443/9167 and 443/60001, dated 5 and 11 Jan. 45, it is communicated that following the indications given by the two arrested persons Maggio Luigi and Fontana Domenico, it has been possible to capture in the Palermo Province another parachutist, identified as Carovana Giampietro.

The above is reported for opportune knowledge.

For the Minister
Ferrari

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Roma 28 febbraio 1945

Ministero dell'Interno
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Divisione A.G.R. Sez. 3
Let. N° 443/60041 Allegato

All'On. COMMISSIONE
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Sottocommissione per la
P.S. ROMA

Rapresentante del
Gov. Sez. 3^a

OGGETTO Lancio di paracadutisti nemici.

Con riferimento alle segnalazioni n.443/9167
e 443/60001, rispettivamente del 5 e dell'11.1.45.
si comunica che a seguito di indicazioni fornite
dai due arrestati Maggio Luigi e Fontana Domenico,
è stato possibile catturare nella provincia di
Palermo un terzo paracadutista, identificato per
Carovana Giampietro.

Tanto si comunica per opportuna notizia.

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SUBJECT : PANCELLO Giovanni

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Public Safety Security Sub Commission
Hq AC.

Copy to : G2 CI Section AFHQ
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3 Mar 45

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Reference Situation Report Signal 588 of 28 Feb 45 to your Hq.

It is requested that in future information concerning the landing or apprehension and disposal of enemy agents in SARDINIA, ELBA or the islands, be immediately signalled to GSib this HQ.

May this HQ please be placed on the distribution list of AC SARDINIA situation reports.

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Special Sitrep: Ref Sitrep number 58 not to DISTVO.

Enemy agent dropped 21 February apprehended. In possession of
radio transmitter, 143000 lire and secret codes. Native of SARDINIA.Dist

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

17 Jan 1945
S. 442/263

Subject : Dropping of enemy parachutist.

To : A.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission - Rome.

For your information we communicate the following report n. 015, dated 5 inst., received from the Pisa Prefecture:

"For your information we communicate, that on 28 December 44, at about 0100 hrs. in locality LANCIAIA" of Pomerance (Pisa), an aeroplane of unknown nationality dropped a parachutist, who landed at the farm "Vivaio", leaving on an oak, where it had got entrapped, the parachute, signed "Sprungschirm für Fallschirmtruppen Gerät- Nr. 10-451, B-1 Anforders FI 30272 Werk-Nr. 29- 52449". Attached to a/m parachute a small spade, a cylindrical tube with explosives, as well as a small rectangular box containing two tubes with explosives and three thin steel wires, were found. The parachutist, who is supposed to be an enemy, left in an unknown direction. Energetic investigations are being undertaken."

For the Minister
Ferrari

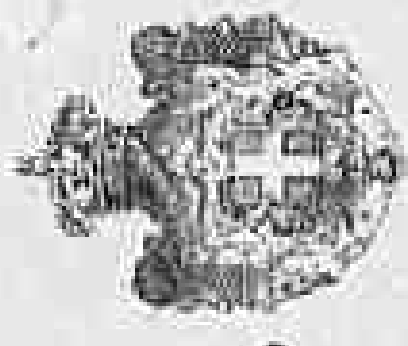
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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA



Roma 17 gennaio 1945

All 1^{On}. COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione per la
Pubblica Sicurezza

R O M A

Divisione A.G.R. Sr. 2°

Prot. N. 442/263 Allegato

Resp. al F. 10 del
Sr. 10

OGGETTO : Lancio di paracadutista nemico-

Per opportuna conoscenza, si comunica la seguente segnalazione n. 015 del 5 c.m., pervenuta dalla Prefettura di Pisa:

"Per notizia, comunicasi che il giorno 28 dicembre u.s. verso le ore 1, in località "LANCIAIA" di Pomarance (Pisa), un aereo di nazionalità sconosciuta, lanciava un paracadutista, che atterrava nel podere "Vivaiolo", lasciando sopra una quercia ove era rimasto impigliato, il paracadute, contrassegnato "Sprungachira für Fellschutruppen Gerat- Nr. 10-451, B-I Anfordera FI 30272 Werk-Nr. 29- 52449". Attaccato al predetto paracadute, veniva rinvenuta una vanghetta, un tubetto cilindrico di esplosivo, nonché una scatola rettangolare contenente due tubetti pure esplosivi con tre fili finissimi di acciaio.

Il paracadutista, che si ritiene nemico, si è allontanato per ignota direzione.

Sono state disposte attivissime ricerche".-

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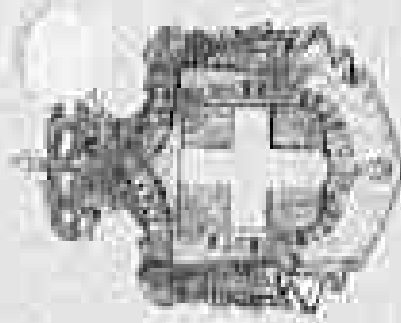
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Sono state disposte attivissime ricerche".-

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DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

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La R. Prefettura di Messina ha telegrafato quanto segue :

"""" Informasi che giorno 3 corrente in Milazzo è stato fer-
mato et tradotto Messina da elementi sottocentro C.S. agente
spionaggio l'aggio Luigi classe 1922 da Taranto soldato Eserci-
to repubblicano lanciato velivo nemico notte sul 30 dicembre
scorso territorio Pace del Mela. """"

Tanto si comunica per opportuna conoscenza.

PER IL MINISTRO

[Signature]

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION

The R. Prefecture of Messina has cabled as follows:

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Roma, 11 Gennaio 1945

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scorso territorio Pace del Mela. ""

Tanto si comunica per opportuna conoscenza.

PER MINISTRO

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION

The R. Prefecture of Messina has cabled as follows:

""We inform you that on 3 inst. at Milazzo, the espionage
agent Maggio Luigi class 1922 from Taranto, soldier of the
Republican Army, thrown down by enemy plane during the night
of 30 December 1944 in the territory of Pace del Mela, has
been stopp'd and brought to Messina by elements of the
under counter espionage centre. ""
This for opportune information.

MAJOR BALANCE
CAPT. R. WEL
CHIEF CLERK

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

5 January 1945
N. 443/9167

To : A.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission - Rome.

The following cable received from the Prefect of Messina on 31.12.1944 is forwarded for your information:

"During the night 29-30 instant, an enemy plane dropped on the Mandravecchia farm in the Commune of Pace del Mela (Messina) a parcel containing radio transmitter and instructions in Italian for its use.

On ~~at~~ 16 hrs. on the same day the CC.RR. of the neighbouring Commune of Spadafora found the espionage agent Fontana Domenico born in 1918 at Scafati (Naples) soldier of the Republican Army who it is presumed was dropped by the same plane. Radio parachute and soldier have been handed over to the Counter espionage Centre.

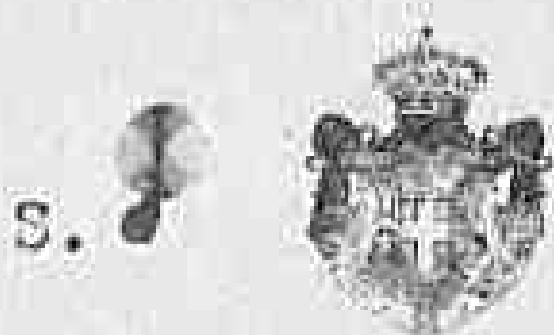
For the Minister

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Please initial reverse side. JH.

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Roma 25 Gennaio 1945

Ministero dell'Interno
DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

LA COMMISSIONE

ALLEATA

ROMA

Direzione A.G.R. Sez. 3^a

Prot. N. 443/9167 Allegati

Rispostato al

Dir. Sez. N^o

OGGETTO

Per notizia si comunica quanto ha telegrafato il Prefetto di Messina il 31.12.u.s.:

"Notte sul 30 corrente velivolo nemico lanciava, contrada Mandravecchia comune Pace del Mela (Messina), pacco contenente radio trasmittente et istruzioni lingua italiana.

Ore 16 stesso giorno costituivasi carabinieri vicino comune Spadafora agente spionaggio Fontana Domenico classe 1918 da Scafati (Napoli) soldato esercito repubblicano, si presume lanciato stesso velivolo.

Radio, paracadute et soldato consegnati Centro C.S. "".

PEL MINISTRO

[Signature]

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TRANSLATION.

Ministry of the Interior

No. 443/17001.

Rome. 2nd Jan. 1945.

To the Allied Commission, Public Safety Sub-Commission.

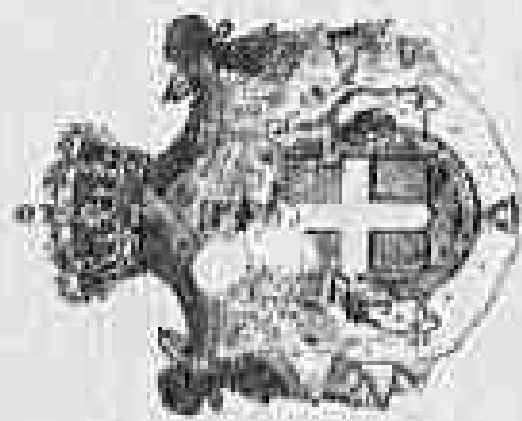
The following signal has been received during the last 24 hours:-

MESSINA. - On the night of the 30th December last, an enemy plane threw on to the Mandravecchia property in the Commune of Pace Vela, a parcel containing a radio transmitter with instructions for its use in Italian. At 1600 hours on the same day the G.C.H.R. of the nearby Commune of Spadafora found the espionage agent FONTANA Domenico, born in 1918 at Scafati (Naples), soldier of the republican army, who was probably launched from the same plane. The radio transmitter and the soldier have been consigned to the Counter Espionage Centre. Investigations are proceeding.

THE HEAD OF THE POLICE.

TO	DATE	INITIALS
COL. CHAPMAN	2/1	5/1
COL. YOUNG	2/1	5/1
LT. COL. WILCOX	2/1	5/1
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Roma, 2 Gennaio 1945

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.

R O M A

Nelle decotse 24 ore è qui giunta la seguente segnalazione di rilievo:

MESSINA - Nella notte sul 30 Dicembre p.p. un velivolo nemico lanciava, in contrada Mandravecchia del Comune di Pace Mela, un pacco contenente una radio trasmittente ed istruzioni per l'uso, in lingua italiana. Alle ore 16 dello stesso giorno si costituiva ai Carabinieri Reali del vicino comune di Spadafora l'agente di spionaggio Fontana Domenico, della classe 1918, da Scafati (Napoli), soldato dell'esercito repubblicano, che si presume lanciato dallo stesso velivolo. La radio trasmittente ed il soldato sono stati consegnati al Centro C.S.. Proseguono le indagini.

/ IL CAPO DELLA POLIZIA

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/ IL CAPO DELLA POLIZIA

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16 F.S. Section

Copy to: Public Safety Sub-Commission, AC,

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Shirley Knight
 Brigadier,
 H.C.S.(I).

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C. R. R. H. Q.

14753/4 27-10-44

No. 8/29

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Sub. Donori (Cagliari) - Capture enemy agent Pischedda
Rafaele.

In the country of Donori (Cagliari) the 10th current
towards 11 hours the Carabinieri Mele Giovanni and
the guard Pischeddu Giuseppe succeeded to
discover the enemy agent sought for Pischedda
Rafaele, thrown by parachute, about one
month back, by German planes.

Both remaining wounded, not seriously, hit
with a hoe by Pischedda, reacting with fire against
him, wounding him gravely.

Pischedda died the same day 11th, in the hospital
of Cagliari.

See Monthly Report Reg 6
Page 1 Section II.

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Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 9/29 di prot. Segreto Roma, 27 ottobre 1944

Risposta al del n. Allegato n.

OGGETTO: Donori (Cagliari) - Cattura agente nemico PISCHEDDA Raffaele.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

-Sottocommissione per la P.S.-

R O M A

Nelle campagne di Donori (Cagliari), il 10 corrente, verso le ore 11, l'appuntato dei Carabinieri MELE Giovanni e la guardia giurata PUSCHODU Giuseppe riuscirono a scovare l'agente nemico ricercato PISCHEDDA Raffaele, lanciato nell'isola con paracadute, circa un mese addietro, da aereo tedesco.

Rimasti entrambi feriti non gravemente da colpi di sappa da parte del PISCHEDDA, reagirono col fuoco contro di lui, ferendolo gravemente.

Il PISCHEDDA decedette, lo stesso giorno 11, nell'ospedale di Cagliari.

IL GENERALE DI CORPO D'ARMATA

COMANDANTE GENERALE

-Taddeo Orlando-

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission

Folio for action/information

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Col. Meaney.....

Capt. Mastroianni.....

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Adm. Officer.....

REMARKS

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do with Case 5378
of enemy agents

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

SECRET

Ref/292/55/CA

4 August 1944

SUBJECT: Sentences imposed on convicted enemy agents.

TO : Admin. Section.

For your information is sent copy of letter from AFHQ dated 27 July 44 addressed to A.C. of S., G-5. This demonstrates clearly the strong deterrent effect created by the publicity given through leaflets to the execution of convicted enemy agents.

Norman E. Fiske
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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SECRET

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

B-389.701-B

27 July 1944

SUBJECT: Leaflets, enemy agents.

TO : A.C. of S., G-5 AFHQ
Copy to PWB, AFHQ

1. In order to discourage the recruitment of Italians by the enemy secret services for espionage and sabotage, leaflets have been printed and dropped over selected cities. These leaflets contained the photographs and personal details of enemy agents who have been arrested, condemned to death and executed, with a warning of a like fate to all who take part in such covert activities against us.

2. Since the Allied occupation of Rome, a number of statements have been made by captured enemy agents when under interrogation concerning these leaflets pointing to their having had come very considerable psychological and deterrent effect. A captured document also bears this out.

The following are examples of the above:-

a. Ugo D'ESPOSITO, a SD W/T "stay-behind" agent arrested by Eighth Army at Fiumi confessed that he had smashed his W/T set in a moment of panic when he read the leaflets and recognized the photographs of the executed persons as those of his colleagues who were engaged by the enemy secret service for espionage missions.

b. Giorgio ANTONUCCI, a SD agent, stated that he was informed by one Luciano PERUZZO, a Guardia di Finanza of Rome, that the latter has picked up a leaflet bearing the photographs of six young men who had been tried, convicted and shot as German spies. One of these six was Franco ASCHIERI, a mutual friend of ANTONUCCI and PERUZZO. ANTONUCCI confessed that this has a deterrent effect on him as regards action on behalf of the Germans.

c. Luigi TORTI, a Abwehr W/T stay-behind agent wrote a statement, translation of which is as follows:

"Your leaflet dropped by Allied aircraft on the city of Florence made a great impression on me and upon all my companions whom I knew to be agents. The successful delivery of this leaflet made me understand particularly that there was in Florence a German espionage school known to your service. I said to myself: 'Why were these leaflets dropped particularly in the city of Florence?' I understand from henceforth that our connection with the Germans was known, and the entire affair compromised, therefore, from that day, I lost interest in the prospect of the mission which was to be assigned to me. In reading the leaflet, the effect was tremendous, especially because the six photographs contained therein were those of two people whom I know, Enrico MENICOCCHI and Marino CANTELLI. My idea from that day on was not to fulfill my mission, and I acted accordingly."

d. A document was found in the vacated office of Colonel KAPPLER, head of SD in Rome, concerning the publicity accompanying the first set of leaflets. The document is an inter-office memorandum sent to KAPPLER by Captain LETER, one of his assistants, attaching two clippings concerning the execution of the six German spies and saboteurs contained in the first leaflet issued.

The memorandum translated from the German is as follows:

"Memorandum for Obersturmbannführer K.

Contents: A.K. S-Men MENICOCCHI and CANTIERI and V-men ASCHIERI shot on order of ALEXANDER.

The noon press today publishes the accompanying reports from which "IL MESSAGGERO" also reiterated the names of those condemned to death by the Allied Military Tribunal.

Of the group attached to Einheit Keiser on 5.1. (FURLANI, CANTIERI, MENICOCCHI and ASCHIERI) only FURLANI does not appear on the list of those shot. This latter went as an I-Man, the first three with material as Z-Men. ASCHIERI's parents know nothing of their son's mission. The mother, about 14 days ago, came to Sturmbannführer Dr. HASS, and received from us the reassuring information that her son had a special type of employment in Northern Italy, and that all was going well with him.

ASCHIERI's parents learned of the news of their misfortune of their son Franco definitely from the newspapers. Who undertakes official notification of the family.

Conclusion: Unfavourable effects on the I- and Z- Men who have not yet come to the point of undertaking missions may be expected psychologically and materially from publication of the names. How is this new situation to be met? Should not a directive be necessary in the future to the Ministry of Popular Culture to publish names in such reports neither in this press nor on the radio?"

3. The above shows the important deterrent effect that the execution of convicted spies has on others intending to commit espionage and sabotage missions against us. The necessity for the stern carrying-out of the death penalty after the conviction of such persons cannot be too strongly emphasized.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.

S.S. HILL-DILLON
Colonel, G-2
G-2(CI) Section

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