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Memorandum

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 2. HEADQUARTERS

Your ref _____

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL POLICE OFFICER

My ref PS 26.

Subject Prisoner of War.

18th April 44

TO : Chief, Public Safety Subcommittee, A.C.C.
Rear Headquarters. APO 394.

The attached copy of report from
Gatanzaro Province is forwarded for your information.

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Captain.
Regional Police Officer.

Nra no action necessary
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25th April 1944

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Your Ref-----
My Ref CL/PL/118

Police Officer L/c CALABRIA
Central Office. CATANZARO.

Catanzaro 15 - 4 - 1944

SUBJECT: GERMAN SOLDIER ARRESTED.
Regional Police Officer
Region 2.

On 7th April 1944, at Catanzaro, whilst the Carabinieri were checking up on Refugees, sent to this Town from the Nettuno Area, they interrogated and subsequently arrested GUBELO Mario, age 31, born at Milan on 22/7/1912, who was among the Refugees and who, possessed no documents whatsoever, as to his identity or profession.

He stated that he had come from Borgo Bainzizza (Littoria) where he was residing at the house of Sciorio Ascenzina of Ernesto from Roccasecca. He was accompanied by his fiancée Sciorio Ascenzina.

As the result of the interrogation he then stated that he was a deserter from the German Army and had deserted on 4th September 1943, and since that time had been living at the above mentioned house.

His story was as follows:-He is Italian Born and left this Country 18 years ago with his parents who he states were travelling artists.

Whilst in Germany he resided at Berlin. He was a member of the Communist Party and as such he was sentenced and receive 2 years imprisonment for participating in that Party's activities. On his release, he was given the opportunity of either serving a further term of imprisonment or joining the Army, so he chose the latter course.

He served for one year and six months, of this he spent 12 months in Germany and 6 months in France. He arrived in this Country on 28th August 1943, and subsequently deserted on 4th September 1943, when he remained in the Nettuno area, and in order to evade the Germans, who he states were searching for him, he hid in the above mentioned house, until the arrival of the Allied Troops.

Subsequently, accompanied by his fiancée he was transported to the Town of Catanzaro with some hundreds of other Refugees, with the result as already stated.

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I interviewed GUBELO in the presence of Appuntato GRILLO, agent of Italian Counter Espionage (S.I.M.) who has submitted a full report to Captain Di Dio, Officer in charge S.I.M. Catania, for directions as to GUBELO being transferred to Catania for interrogation and being placed in a concentration Camp.

As the result of my interrogation I am of the opinion that this man is a genuine deserter and is not engaged in espionage. Forwarded for your information.

W.A. MOODY, Captain
Police Officer i/c Calabria

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