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NAITANA, ACTING PREFECT OF NUORO  
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
HEADQUARTERS NUORO PROVINCE

15 April, 1944

TO : Regional Commissioner

SUBJECT : Acting Prefect NAITANA

REFERENCE : Confidential

1. I have been informed that NAITANA, acting prefect of the province made the following remark in the presence of witnesses during a discussion on the general situation in the Island. He said, "With the arrival of the Allies has come disorder and starvation. In fact the Anglo-Americans are our true enemies." I have been informed of this by a person who was present at the time, and corroboration can be obtained if necessary.

2. NAITANA is not known to have had direct fascist connections in the past and had no rank or honours in the PNF.

3. Criticism is general throughout the province at his lack of interest and negligence in the administration. Dr. Puligheddu, President of the Province is in possession of a list of the deliberations of the Provincial Council. This shows that in nearly every case, the prefect has shelved the matters under discussion and it is the opinion of the President that he, NAITANA, is not suitable for the important post that he holds. This was also the opinion of Nocchi, former prefect of Nuoro and now prefect of Cagliari.

4. It is also a matter of general comment that NAITANA receives presents of food, etc., from the wealthy landowners in the Province, and in particular, flour from the local millers, Guiso Gallisai.

5. The Alimentation Section found that the severe milk shortage in the town of Nuoro was due to the fact that the large producers were not supplying the quantity of milk that they were obliged to do. In fact, in many cases they were supplying none at all. The matter was reported to the Questore who obtained the necessary evidence, but NAITANA has withheld his consent to the prosecution. The chief offender in this matter is a certain Egidio Podda, of Orgosolo, a wealthy man and personal friend of NAITANA. The reason that the milk has not been delivered to Nuoro is that it has been used to make cheese which is a far more profitable operation.

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6. Shortly after MATTANA had been appointed acting Prefect he requisitioned for his personal use 65 kgs. of tomato concentration which it had been previously determined should be assigned to the hospitals and the poor. When this was discovered MATTANA said that the concentration had been requisitioned by employees at the Prefectura without his knowledge, and that he would punish the person responsible and return the tomato to the hospital. The officer in charge of the stores stated that the requisition had been signed by the Prefect, and there is no record of the tomato being returned.

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