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Pollock should have
subject under surveillance
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HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Office of the Regimental S-2 Officer

24 July 44.

SUBJECT: German Collaborator, LORENZO BOSIO, Rome, Italy.

TO : Colonel Paul G. Kirk, ACC. Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. Subject has lately been seen mostly at the GRANDE ALBERGO making friends with ranking officers of the Allied Control Commission and others. Since the subject has a very shady past, including extensive dealings of racketeering and Black Market activities, these Officers should be made acquainted with character of this individual. Perhaps manager of hotel could bar him from premises.

2. LORENZO BOSIO, son of Carlo and Vigittello Elvira, born in Torino November 27, 1900, is best known about Rome for his open collaboration with the Occupying German Forces. Now it appears that he is trying to get into the good graces and good will of ranking American & British Officers in order to continue his underworld activities.

3. He is described by several reliable sources of information to have been the Number 1, go between, between dishonest German Officers who dealt in Rackets and Black Market Activities in Rome. One of his principal acts was to find out where private cars were stored; tell the Germans, who would have the cars requisitioned and later sell them--this again through this BOSIO. He dealt also in large amounts of food-stuffs, or anything else for that matter. He is reportedly well fixed with funds for his work.

4. Subject came to the Victoria Albergo, Rome, Oct. 10th 1943, and stayed there until June 8 or 9th--a day or so after our entry here. At present he is reported living at the Pensione TORQUATI, Via Carducci--#4) ?

5. Mr. Wirth, Managing Owner of Victoria Albergo describes BOSIO as follows:

He is beyond doubt one of the biggest racketeers around. During the German Occupation of Rome, he was forever at their side. He was their No. 1 agent in their disposing of stolen or Black Market goods. Undoubtedly he has made a great deal of money from his association with them. His association was mostly with high-ranking German Officers. He is the sort of person who will do almost anything for personal gain or money.

6. Subject has spent considerable time in Tripoli, North Africa and travels with pass No. 4931, issued him 19 Sept, 1942, by the Minister for Africa--(the Italian Minister for North Africa Colonies) who was a friend of his. Subject is very well known about Rome by sight, and for his shady dealings.

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