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PIERINI SESTILIO, CLAIM FOR DEATH OF WIFE
NOV. 1945 - DEC. 1946

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 794

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AC/14760/65/PS

5 October 1946

SUBJECT : Alleged Killing of an
Italian Civilian by a French
Soldier.

TO : Chief of French Mission,
A.C.

1. Reference attached papers.
2. It is now alleged that the murder was committed by French coloured troops.
3. If, as it would appear from enclosure No; 5, that the murder was committed by an American soldier, may a copy of the extracts of the depositions (as mentioned in 5) be forwarded to this S/C to enable the case to be transmitted to the American authorities for appropriate action.

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E. J. BYE, Colonel
Acting Director.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
Office of the AC of S, G-2
APO 794, US ARMY

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Recd. 30/A

FJC/lp
24 September 1946

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SUBJECT: PIERINI Sestilio.

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

1. Attached letter was forwarded to this office.
Since it refers to letter AC/14057/PS dated 20/2/46 the
letter is obviously a matter pertaining to your command.

Philip J. Corso
PHILIP J. CORSO
Captain, GSC
AC of S, G-2

PREFETTURA DI ROMA

Division 2/2

Ref. 57238

13 September 1946.

SUBJECT : Subsidy for Mr. Pierini Bestilio.

TO : Public Safety S/C.

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20/2/46, With reference to your letter AG/14057/PS of the
concerning the a/n in subject, further information has been
received from the Comune of Tolfa, on the murder of the wife of
Pierini Bestilio.

On the 18th June 1944, the a/n lady together with her
husband Pierini Bestilio and son aged 9, went to "Piorotta" (Civitavecchia)
to reap.

At about 4 kms from this locality, a company of French and
coloured troops was stationed there.

At about 09.00 hrs. her husband and child went to S. Lucia
for water, leaving her alone for almost 30 minutes. As the fountain was
about 2 kms distant, Pierini went there by bicycle with his son.

On his return he found his wife lying on the ground in a
well of blood.

The body was wounded on the chest evidently caused by a
firearm and it bore signs of having undergone a violent struggle.

Pierini then found out that as soon as he had left the spot,
3 coloured Allied soldiers had gone there who had later left, crossing the
fields.

A denunciation has been forwarded to the Allied Authorities.

It would be appreciated if you could inform us of the measures
adopted in favour of Pierini Bestilio.

The Prefect
/s/ Illegible.

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Profettura di Roma

Roma, 13/9/1946

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Comando Generale del

~~Riservato~~ - Sottocommissione F.S.

F/za VENEZIA

Divisione 2/2 N. Diprol 57238

Resposta a nota

R O M A

Sussidio al Sig. Pierini Sestilio

OGGETTO

Allegati

Con riferimento alla lettera AC/I4057/F.S. in data 20/2/46 relativa all'oggetto, si comunicano ulteriori notizie in merito all'uccisione della moglie del nominato in oggetto, fatte pervenire a questo Ufficio, del Comune di Tolfa:

Il giorno 16 giugno 1944 la signora suadetta, insieme a suo marito Pierini Sestilio e al figlio di anni 9, si era recata a mietere in località "Fiorotte" territorio di Civitavecchia.

A circa 4 Km. dalla predetta località vi era un accampamento di truppe francesi fra cui vi erano anche truppe di colore.

Verso le ore 9, dopo aver fatto colazione, il marito e il bambino si allontanarono dal terreno, per trenta minuti circa, per attingere acqua in località S. Lucia. La fonte dista circa Km. 2 dal terreno di lavoro, e il Pierini vi andò in bicicletta conducendovi anche il bambino.

Al ritorno trovava la moglie distesa a terra in un lago di

sangue.

Il cadavere presentava una ferita di arma da fuoco al petto

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nella moglie del nominato in oggetto, fatte pervenire a questo Ufficio,
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marito Pierini Sestilio e al figlio di anni 9, si era recata a Mietere in
località "Giorotta" territorio di Civitavecchia.

A circa 4 Km. dalla predetta località vi era un accompagnamento
di truppe francesi fra cui vi erano anche truppe di colore.

Verso le ore 8, dopo aver fatto colazione, il marito e il
bambino si allontanarono dal terreno, per trenta minuti circa, per attin-
gere acqua in località S. Lucia. La fonte dista circa Km. 2 dal terreno di
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ed erano evidenti i segni di una violenta colluttazione.

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Il Pierini veniva a conoscenza che sul luogo erano andato
vis, si erano recati tre militari alleati di colore che si erano succes-
sivamente allontanati attraverso i campi.

E' stata effettuata la denuncia alle competenti Autorità

Allente.

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Si prega far conoscere quali provvedimenti verranno adottati
a favore del prefetto Pierini Sestilio.

IL PREFETTO



HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel: 489081-365

AC/14057/PS

2 February 1946

SUBJECT : Allowance to PIERINI Sestilio.

TO : H.E. The Prefect - Rome.

1. Reference is made to your 60590 dated 27 December, 1945.

2. As this matter is alleged to concern a French soldier, the case was referred to the French Representative to A.C. It was then ascertained that this matter had been dealt with by the French Military Commander in Italy, and that the result had been communicated to you by him on 23 November, 1945, by letter reference 2.205/CME/1/JM. Shortly, the enquiry by the French Provost showed that the soldier responsible for the alleged murder was believed to be American.

3. As an investigation is stated by you to have been made in this case by Allied Police, will you please forward any further enquiry to the Commanding General, R.A.A.C. Palazzo Venezia, Rome.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director

FJW/tm

Copy to:- Commanding General R.A.A.C.

TRANSLATION

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative
APO 794

No. 2793.

Rome, 31 January 1946

From: Captain de Vaisseau MOULLEC
French Representative to Allied Commission
To : Director; Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your ^{2A} Inter-Office Memorandum of 21 January, 1946.
2. Please find attached the ^{3B 3C} reply to your request as well as a copy of a letter addressed to the Prefect of Rome on 23rd November, 1945, on the same subject.

p.o. Captain LUQUET
Assistant to French
Representative to A.C.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the French Representative

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N° 2793

Rome, le 31 Janvier 1946

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau MOULLEC

Représentant Français à la Commission Alliée

à

Monsieur le Directeur

de la Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. Référence votre Inter Office Memorandum du 21 Janvier 1946.
2. Veuillez trouver ci-joint la réponse à votre demande ainsi que la copie d'une lettre adressée le 25 Novembre 1945 au Prefet de Rome sur le même sujet.

p.o. Le Capitaine LUQUET Adjoint
au Représentant Français à la Commission Alliée.

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TRANSLATION

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FRENCH MILITARY
COMMAND IN ITALY
WAR MISSION
1st Office

29 January 1946

No. 6777/CMF-I-JM.

From General LE COUTEULX de CAUMONT
French Military Commander in Italy

To : Captain de Vaisseau
French Representative attached to
Allied Commission.

SUBJECT:- Claim made by Mister PIERINI, Sestilio
in respect of murder of his wife.

In reply to your letter No. 2,782 of 22
January 1946, I have the honour of acquainting you
thta the murder of Mrs. Pierantozzi Brigitte, married
to Pierini, has been the subject of an enquiry on the
part of the French Provost (P.V.270 and 281 of 9 and
26 June 1945) from which it would appear that the
author of the crime was an American soldier (attached
extracts of the depositions of witnesses, Pierini Sestilio
and Pierini Vincenzo, and copy of the report of the
Carabiniere of Solfa.

not sent to
no
RB

I would add that at the date of the murder
no French Troops were operating in the Civitavecchia
(The Axis of C.E.F. being route 2).

P.O. R. MESNARD, Chief of Battalion
Chief of War Mission

D.C., le 29 Janvier 1946

Arrive le 29-1-46-
N° Carnier "Arrivée" 106-
à classer dossier
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COMMANDEMENT MILITAIRE
FRANCAIS EN ITALIE

MISSION GUERRE

LE BUREAU

N° 6777 / CITE 1-1-M

Le Général Le GONTEAUX de CAUMONT
Commandant Militaire Français en Italie

Monsieur le Capitaine de Vaisseau
Représentant Français auprès de la
Commission Allié

OBJET : Demande de suicide formulée par Monsieur PIERINI
Sestilio pour meurtre de son épouse.

En réponse à votre transmission n° 2.752 du 23 Janvier 1946, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que le meurtre de Madame PIERANTOZZI Brigitte épouse PIERINI a été en son temps l'objet d'une enquête de la part de la Préfecture Française (F.V. n° 270 et 281 des 9 et 26 Juin 1945.), d'où il ressort que l'auteur du crime serait vraisemblablement un militaire américain (ci-joint extraits des dépositions des témoins, PIERINI Sestilio et PIERINI Vincenzo et copie du Rapport des Carabinieri de Tolosa).

J'ajouterais qu'à la date du meurtre aucune troupe Française n'opérait dans le secteur de Civitavecchia (l'axe du G.S.F. étant la route n° 2).

Commission Allié

OBJET : Demande de copie fournie par Monsieur PINOT
Sestilio pour mention de son épouse.

En réponse à votre transmission n° 2.782 du 22 Jan-
vier 1945, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que le
maître de, MESSIEUR PINOT, a été épousé par MESSIEUR
en son temps l'objet d'une enquête de la part de la Préfecture
Française (P.V. n° 270 et 281 des 9 et 25 Juin 1945.), d'où
il résulte que l'auteur du crime serait vraisemblablement
un militaire américain (ci-joint extraits des dépositions des
témoins, PINOT, Sestilio et PINOT Vignero et copie du
Rapport des Carabiniers de Tola).

J'ajouterais qu'il n'y a aucune trace de maître
Française n'apparaît dans le secteur de Giviteveccchia (2^e zone
du C.T.F. étant la route n° 2).

EN COMMUNICATION	
C. V. Moules :	X
C. Gros :	
C. D. Glazot :	
C. Luquet :	
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Copies demandées :
et destinataires :

RETOUR AU SECTEUR

P.O. le Chef de Bataillon R. MESNARD
Chef de la Mission Guerre



Mesnard

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TRANSLATION

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DI/JD

23 November 1945

FRENCH MILITARY COMMANDER IN ITALY
WAR MISSION
1st OFFICE

No. 2205/SMF/I/JM

From: General Le Goulteulx
de Caumont
French Military Commander
in Italy

To: The Prefect of Rome
Division 2/2

In response to your letter 60.890 of the 11th November, 1945, concerning a request for damages on the part of Mister Pierini, Sestilio for the murder of his wife., I have the honour to inform you that the result of an enquiry by the French Provost into this affair, resulted that the author of the murder was undoubtedly a soldier of the American Army.

In consequence it will be necessary that Mister Pierini addresses his claim to the Allied Authorities.

P.O. Chief of Battalion THOUMY
Chief of War Bureau

Signed: THOUMY

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COMMANDEMENT MILITAIRE
FRANCAIS EN ITALIE

MISSION GUERRE

1^{er} BUREAU

N^o 2.205 /OUT-1-JM

P.C., le 23 Novembre 1945

Le Général DE COUTUUX de SAUMONT
Commandant Militaire Français en Italie

à

Monsieur le Préfet de ROME
Division 2/2

En réponse à votre lettre n^o 60.890 du 11 Novembre 1945, concernant une demande de subside de la part de Monsieur PIERINI Sestilio pour le meurtre de son épouse, j'ai l'honneur de vous informer que de l'enquête menée par la Prévôté Française au sujet de cette affaire, il ressort que l'auteur du meurtre serait vraisemblablement un militaire de l'Armée Américaine.

En conséquence il y aurait lieu que Monsieur PIERINI adresse sa demande aux autorités Alliées.

P.C., le Chef de Bataillon THOMMY
Chef du 1^{er} Bureau

Signé : THOMMY

En réponse à votre lettre n° 50.690 du 11 novembre 1945, concernant une demande de subside de la part de Monsieur PIERINI Sebastio pour le meurtre de son épouse, j'ai l'honneur de vous informer que de l'enquête menée par la Préfecture Française au sujet de cette affaire, il ressort que l'auteur du meurtre serait vraisemblablement un militaire de l'armée allemande.

En conséquence il y aurait lieu que Monsieur PIERINI adresse sa demande aux autorités Allemandes.

F.O., le Chef de Battalion THOMMY
Chef du 1er Bureau

Signé : THOMMY

ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: *Alleged Killing of Italian
Civilian by French Soldier*

Public Safety
S/C

FILE NO.

TO: *Chief, French Mission. A.C.*

21ST JAN 1946.

*1 With reference to the attached letter
from the Prefect of Rome.*

2 Can any information be given please?

*21/46.
3.10.365.*

James Wilson
noted.

(Translation M.B.)

R. ROME PREFECTURE
2nd Div.

Rome, 27/12/1946

Nr. 60590

To: ALLIED COMMISSION
Sub Commission of P.S.R O M E

SUBJECT: Allowance to PIERINI Sestilio.

On the 10th last June, a French soldier belonging to the occupation Troops, killed at "Fioretta" (Tolfa district) certain PIERANTOZZI Brigida, wife of PIERINI Sestilio, living there.

A denunciation was made to the competent Authorities, following which the Allied Police started investigating.

The husband of the dead woman was assured by the French Command that an allowance would be granted to him as repayment for the burial expences.

Accordingly, we warmly beg your Commission to take provisions on regard and to forward a kind communication to this Office.

The Prefect

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Roma 27/12/1945

Il Prefettura di Roma

Divisione 2/2 N.º di Pol. 60520

Proposta e nota

Oggetto: Sussidio a Pierini Sestilio.

Allegati

Alia Commissione Alleata
Ex Ministero delle Corporazioni
R O M A

Il giorno 10 giugno u.s., da parte di un militare delle Truppe Francesi di occupazione, in località "Fioretta" del Comune di Tolfa, venne uccisa tale Pierantonzi Brigida moglie di Pierini Sestilio fu Vincenzo, ivi domiciliata.

Dopo la denuncia effettuata alla competente autorità, si è recata sul posto la Polizia Alleata per le opportune indagini.

Il marito venne anche chiamato presso ~~seduta~~ ^{Comando *granata*} gli venne assicurata la concessione di un sussidio a titolo di rimborso delle spese sostenute per la morte della moglie.

Si prega vivamente di voler provvedere al riguardo, fornendo cortesì notizie a questo Ufficio.

IL PREFETTO

[Signature]

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