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C.C. from G.2 ATSD, in connection with this case.

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18 March 1946.

Thank you for your letter on the MANFREDI DE BLASIS case, which has certainly given me a very clear picture of the situation.

I will inform de CARLO as to the position of MANFREDI and will know how to deal with any possible future petition.

M. S. LUSH

Lieut. Colonel R. D. L. Young,
G-2 Section,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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

GBL 389.701/PP/46

11 March 1946

From : Lt. Col. D.A.D. YOUNG.

Brigadier M. LUSH,
Executive Commissioner,
HQ Allied Commission,
APO 394.

Dear Brigadier,

1. Thank you for your letter of 7 March 1946 enclosing Colonel DE CARLO's memorandum on MANFREDI DE BLASIO Filippo and Anja which throws some interesting sidelights on their cases.
2. I should make it clear that DE CARLO is radically mistaken in suggesting that the two cases are in any way connected. The one is as divorced from the other as, I believe, the Baron and Baroness may be in real life. DE CARLO may also be informed that it is not the practice of this G-2 to visit the sins of the wives on their husbands.
3. We have clear proof and corroboration of the Baroness's association and collaboration with the German intelligence services. She was therefore committed to internment as a danger to military security. However, in view of her state of health, she was conditionally released, reporting regularly to Security authorities.
4. Incontrovertible evidence exists of the Baron's collaboration with the German intelligence services, on the strength of which he was interned. His case was considered of such importance that he was sent to England for special interrogation. Amongst other conclusions of the interrogation report is it stated "MANFREDI quite definitely agreed to harbour a German saboteur on his estates...and... he has proved himself an all-accomplished liar..."

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5. When the camp in ENGLAND was closed where MANFREDI had been held on a Home Office warrant he was returned to ITALY for internment as a danger to military security.

6. In view of DE CARLO's background it should not be necessary to tell him that if a person agrees to work not only for the enemy but also for their secret services, he labels himself as a particular danger and requires to be interned in the interests of security. Unhappily the surrender of the German armies did not make all our enemies our friends and those of them who were prepared to operate against us in a particularly subtle manner and are still considered a menace to security must remain in internment so long as we are here. If we were to release all our enemies from TRIESTE simply on the grounds of their having been there for a long time, we should undoubtedly be plagued with more subversion and incidents than our counter-intelligence agencies already have to deal with.

7. Among other points of interest in DE CARLO's statement is the fact that he does not mention that MANFREDI, at the hotel meeting in August 1943, told him all the details of the mission he had accepted. MANFREDI is admittedly a liar but he is pretty certain to have told DE CARLO more than the latter is now prepared to admit. MANFREDI, incidentally, is mistakenly convinced that it was DE CARLO who denounced him to us on the basis of what was said at that meeting.

8. DE CARLO's memorandum, arriving when it does, is of interest in itself. On 30 January 1946 Clara MANFREDI, the Baron's sister, wrote a letter to "G-2 (CI) C.H.Q. GERMANY, copies to Allied Commission HQ, Public Safety Sub-Commission, ROME, and G-2 ROME Area Allied Command, ROME", appealing for her brother's release, and concluding "it would be appreciated if a reply could be made to this letter as soon as possible as otherwise I shall be forced to take the matter up on a very high level". Perhaps the letter from DE CARLO and your present enquiry represent the 'high level' she mentions.

9. Allied Commission replied to her letter on 6 February 1946, and we have instructed that an enquiry be made into the circumstances in which her letter was written. It would appear to have been written at the dictation of someone having fairly intimate knowledge of our affairs, and for obvious reasons it is undesirable that such correspondence should be sent to us direct and not through the proper channels.

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10. DE CAHEO's memorandum also coincides with a recommendation for the re-examination of the case made by 308 C.S. Battalion. They are not, of course, in full possession of the facts and evidence.

11. Clara MANFREDI is evidently campaigning in a fairly big way and there may be other attempts to enlist your sympathy. For the above reason I am afraid I have been rather lengthy in my reply, but it was felt that you should know the true position, so that time may not be wasted in future petitions.

Yours Sincerely,

W. J. Young

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

GFI.389-701/PF/L6

13 Feb 1946

SUBJECT: MANFREDI, Filippo

TO : HQ Allied Commission,
Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Security Division.

1. Reference is made to a private letter dated 30 Jan 46 addressed to "G-2 (C.I.) G.S.C. CASERTA" by MANFREDI Clara, Viale Regina Margherita 251, ROME, making an appeal on behalf of subject.

2. This Headquarters does not intend to reply direct to the writer. If you reply will you point out the correct channels for addressing such appeals. MANFREDI Clara can be assured that subject's case is open to regular periodic review.

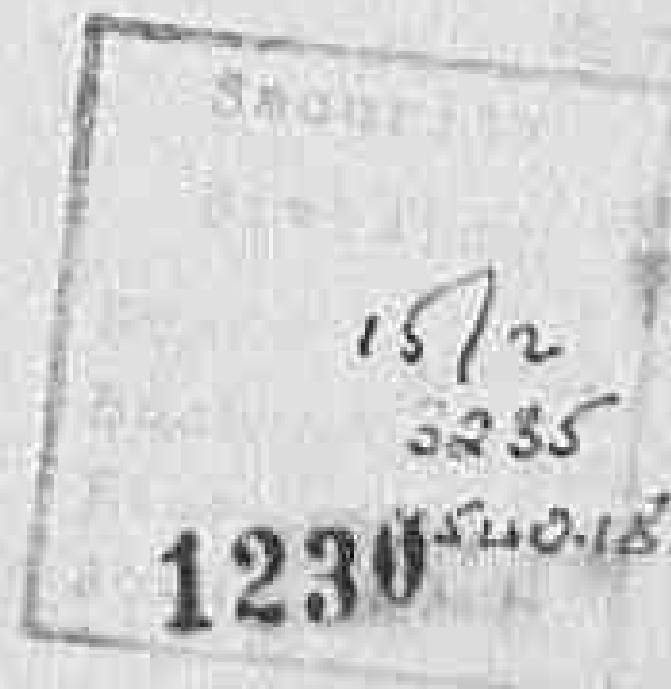
3. As regards the statement that subject has not been properly interrogated it may be noted that subject was specially transferred to the U.S. for that purpose.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff G-2:

James H. As
LARRY P. WICKES,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Asst AD of G, G-2

Copy to: AG of S, G-2, RAAG.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/540-18

6 February 1946

SUBJECT : MANFREDI Barone Filippo

TO : Baroness Carla MANFREDI,
Viale Regina Margherita 251,
R o m e

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated 30 Jan. 46.
2. Your brother was arrested for reasons of military security and the Allied authorities ordered that he be interned and the question of a trial does not therefore arise, so far as the Allies are concerned.
3. His case, in accordance with usual procedure, will be reviewed from time to time.

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

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

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VIALE REGINA MARGHERITA 231
TELEFONO 888483

Rome, January 30th 1946

To: G - 2 Rome Area Allied Command
Rome

Subject: Barone Filippo Manfredi

Sir,

I have the honour to submit this appeal for the release of my brother Barone Filippo Manfredi.

He has been interned by the Allies since Oct. 1943, and appears to have had no proper trial or interrogation.

I therefore appeal in the name of Allied justice that immediate steps are taken to re-examine his case.

It would be appreciated if a reply could be made to this letter as soon as possible as otherwise I shall be forced to take the matter up on a very high level.

I have the honour to be, Sir

yours Truly
Carla Manfredi

Copy to: G - 2 (C.I.) G.H.Q. Caserta

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Allied Commission H.Q.
Public Safety sub-Commission
Rome

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GBI.389.PF/46.

1 August, 1945.

SUBJECT : MANFREDI de BLASIIIS Filippo (Baron).

TO : Security Division,
Public Safety Sub Commission,
H.Q. Allied Commission.

Reference your SD/540 dated 26 June, 1945.

Subject is internee No 1209 at "R" Internee
Camp (TERNI).

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

E. Deby Lewis
+ EARLE B. NICHOLS,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Asst A.C. of S, G-2:

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SUBJECT:- Internees

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"R" Internee Camp,
CMF.Ref HIC/4/1/A
16 Jul 45C-2, (Br), AFHQ, CMFNo. 1209 MANFREDI F.
No. 1319 MANNA A.
No. 625 FLIRLANI F.

1. Ref conversation Lt Col GHARD - Capt MURRAY on 19 Jun 45 re the a/n ITALIAN internees.
2. These men arrived without any documents and Public Safety Commission, Allied Commission, and this H.Q. are anxious for further information regarding them.
3. Copy of letter from A.C. attached.
4. May further information please be forwarded when available.

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Adm. Sec.

Lt Col., R.A.
Commanding "R" Internee Camp.

Copy to :- Director of Public Safety A.C. - Your SD/548 - 18 dated 12 Jul 45 refers.

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APO 512, U.S. Army

GBI.389.605.

15 July, 1945.

SUBJECT: Visits to Internees.

TO : Security Division,
Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission.

Reference your SD/540-18 dated 12 July, 1945.

1. Authority is given for Avv. Arturo RESIO, Via Sicilia 66, ROME, to visit Filippo MANFREDI di BLASIIIS for the purpose of obtaining his power of attorney.

2. It is incumbent upon Avv. Arturo RESIO to inform the Commandant of "R" Internee Camp at least 24 hours in advance, of the proposed time and date of his visit. Notice may be given by telephone.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

Earle B. Nichols,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Asst AC of G-2.Copy to: Commandant,
"R" Internee Camp,
C.H.F.

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GBI.389.605.

16 July, 1945.

SUBJECT : Baroness Anya MANFREDI di BLASIS.

TO : Security Division,
Public Safety Sub Commission,
H.Q. Allied Commission.

Reference your SD/540-18 dated 2 July, 1945.

1. Pending receipt of certain reports in this case
it is considered inadvisable to grant permission for the
requested visit.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

Sidney L. Madden *capt m P*
EARLE B. NICHOLS,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Asst A.C. of S., G-2.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/54C-18

12 July 1945

SUBJECT : Baron Filippo Manfredi di Bussio

TO : Commandant "R" Internee Camp,
C.M.F.

1. It would be appreciated if the status of the above named internee could be clarified with G-2, as no particulars are available in his file on which the Board can make a recommendation when his case comes up for review.

2. He is the subject of numerous questions here, and it is felt that the enquiry should emanate from you.

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

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : BD/540-18

12 July 1945

SUBJECT : Filippo MANFREDI di BLASTIS

TO : G-2 (CI) AFHQ

1. Authority is requested for Avv. Arturo RESIO, Via Sicilia 66, Rome, to visit the above named at "R" Internee Camp on behalf of Baroness MANFREDI.

2. The visit is for the purpose of obtaining a power of attorney from the internee.

CBH

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

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A.P.O. 394
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SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/540-18

2 July 1945

SUBJECT : Baroness Anya MANFREDI di BLASII

TO : G-2 (CI) AFHQ

1. The above named woman has applied for permission to visit her husband, Filippo, who is detained at "R" Internee Camp, Terni, with a lawyer, in order to obtain powers of attorney from her husband.
2. This woman, who has recently come to Rome from Stresa, appears to have a doubtful security, record and the fact of her presence in Rome has been reported to G-2 RAAC, who are in possession of information about her.
3. Information is requested as to whether the proposed visit, can be permitted.

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

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Copy to: G-2 RAAC

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.F.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/540

25 June 1945

SUBJECT : Baroness Anya MANFREDI DE BLASIS.

TO : G-2. RAAG.

1. The above named woman came to this office today to enquire about her husband said to be interned.
2. In the course of conversation she gave the following information about herself. She was born in Bergeoth, Finland, of Finnish parents. She was previously married to a German Jew named Götz, by whom she had one son, aged 21, now living with her in Rome, Via Napoleone 3, (Pensione Murrone). She claims that she was arrested in Genova and tried by the German Military Tribunal of Verona in April 1944 on charges of concealing arms, and helping the partisans. She became ill and was transferred to the Ospedale Civile of Verona under CC.RR guard. The case against her was apparently dropped and Germans asked her to work for them, but she refused to do this saying that she was ill.
3. She stated that while at Berchtesgaden in March 1943, recuperating from an operation, she received an order to go to Himmler's house. She went there and had tea with him but this was the only time she had contact with him. She alleged that he asked her if the SS were unpopular in Italy and she replied, "Not as unpopular as they are in Germany".
4. She states that she was at Stresa when the Allies overran the town, and then made her way to Rome, where she arrived yesterday.

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5. It is understood that CIC have already made enquiries about her, and the information contained herein is passed to you for whatever action you consider desirable.

CBH
JOHN W. CHAPMAN
COLONEL J.A.G.D.
Director, Public Safety
Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.C. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/540

26 June 1945

SUBJECT : Baron Filippo MANFREDI de BLASIIIS

TO : G-2 (CI) AFHQ

1. This office is desirous of tracing the above named, who, it is stated, was arrested at Cerignola, Foggia, by Allied Forces, about two years ago.

2. It is also stated that after arrest, he was taken to England and later brought back to Italy.

3. Any information available concerning subject would be appreciated.

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

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