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Ref: R5/523/5/5

Subject: Transmission of Report

To: Director, M., F.A. & A. Subcommission HQ AC/AMG

28th Feb. 1945

1. Capt. John G.S. Brinson R.E., Director, B.P. Mobile Archaeological Unit, at present stationed in the neighborhood of these H.Q. has asked that the attached Report on the Pre-Hellenic Necropolis at CAUDO (Paestum) and his covering letter should be transmitted to S.E. Prof. MAIURI at Naples Museum, after perusal at H.Q., MPAA.

2. In the event of the Sub-Commission's wishing to retain a copy of the report, Capt. Brinson expresses his willingness to their doing so, but although a duplicate typescript and the negatives of the photographs are in his possession, there are no copies of the line illustrations and arrangements would have to be made for their reproduction and for the collation of a complete copy at H.Q.

3. Captain Brinson's address is:

Capt. J.G.S. Brinson R.E.
14 Airfield Construction Group
C.M.F.

(signed)

F.H.J. MAXER
Captain
Regional Advisor
MPAA A.M.G.
Abruzzi-Marche Region

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See 20362, 7 Mar
for letter transmitting
to Prof. Maiuri the report
of Capt. Brinson.

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APO 394
Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts and Archives
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20 November 1944

Subject: Report on Presumed Raphael Found in Salerno.

To : Director MFAA Subcommission.

1. With reference to the presumed Raphael found at Salerno and reported to the Subcommission by Hq., Southern Region, it was not possible, while the undersigned was in Naples, to secure transportation to proceed to Salerno.
2. The Town Major of Salerno (Major Hewitt) was reached by phone and he stated that the picture was found hanging in a house that was requisitioned for the Allied forces. It is similar to a Madonna and Child by Raphael in the Uffizi in Florence and local painters thought it might be an original.
3. There seemed no question of this painting having been stolen from any museum or collection and since it is similar to a composition in a public gallery, it is doubtless a copy.
4. The information on this painting was given to the Superintendent of Galleries of Campania with the request that when he is next in Salerno he communicate with the Town Major and plan to examine the painting to see if the Italian authorities would be interested in listing it.

Paul Gariner
PAUL GARINER
Major, AUS
MFAA Officer

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30 October 1944

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SUBJECT: Italian Masterpiece.

TO: Monuments and Fine Arts Sub-Commission.

1. Information has been received through our Commissioner of Salerno Zone that the Town Major of Salerno has discovered a "Madonna and Child" which certain experts who have seen it declare to be a Raffaele.

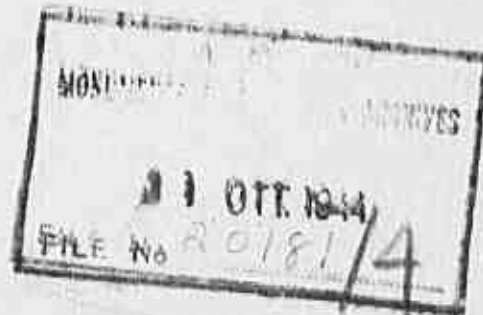
2. Should this be of interest to you, it is suggested that you contact Major Barre, our Commissioner at Salerno, or the Town Major of Salerno direct.

For the Regional Commissioner:



Joseph F. Bell
JOSEPH F. BELL,
1st Lieut., M.I.,
Asst. Adjutant.

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