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[4-part message complete]

[Part I] To VIKTOR[i]

Further to our telegram No. 440[a].

"ARTUR"[ii] in his report [B% points out that] the de GAULLE Committee has branches in all the PROVINCES[PROVINTSII][iii]. President of the Committee - Albert GUERIN[iv], a financier; the governing body of the Committee - Maurice BLUEL[v] (

[11 groups unrecoverable]

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; Jacques BLANIE[vi], a big comprador[b]. They are all against GIRAUD. [1 group unrecovered] the first-named used to speak out in favour [of him][c]. The Committee has no members,[d]

[30 groups unrecovered]

branch who are[e] on the Committee. ARTUR has [5 groups unrecovered].

[3 groups unrecovered] Italians concerned themselves[f] with the following persons:

1. Parlantino PARLANTI[vii]: a merchant; 35 years old.

[32 groups unrecoverable]

success in indoctrinating and cultivating the Italians, among whom he has widespread connections in ARTUR's country.

2. Silvio PETERLONGO[viii]: 43 years old; a tailor by profession; born in TRENTO, ITALY. He took part as a sergeant in d'ANNUNZIO's expedition (not [1 group unrecovered]) to FIUME. In 1930

[15 groups unrecovered].

Has been a FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN[ZEMLYaK][ix] since last year; works on the investigation of Italians. A promising fellow.

3. Luis TEDESCHI[x], about whom ARTUR has already reported in detail at an earlier date. [4 groups unrecovered]; works in the FELLOWCOUNTRYMEN's[ZEMLYaChESKIJ] organisation. [2 groups unrecovered] make use of him.

[Part II]

4. Ualter SICCO[xi]: a metal worker. ARTUR has already reported on him. He was [C% a Fascist],

[119 groups unrecoverable]

him and [5 groups unrecovered]; a reliable fellow; works with success at cultivating Italian [C% Fascists].

6. Paolo VITA-FINZI[xii]: 43 years old; an Italian Jew; former Italian Consul in ROSARIO, ARGENTINA, [2 groups unrecovered]

[14 groups unrecoverable]

with the [C% Fascists] in SPAIN.

[130 groups unrecovered]

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[Part III]

[113 groups unrecovered]

statistical

[25 groups unrecoverable]

MOLINARI[xiii] - ROME, Viale Liegi, 32: about 44 years old; married; two children: a boy of about 15 and a girl of about 13; born in MILAN; graduated from the university at BOEKONA[g]; was the [C% Chief] of Statistics of the Municipality of MILAN; is now Director of Statistics in ROME. MARIO[xiv] studied with him at the university, knows him intimately [8 groups unrecovered].


[Part IV]

2. Doctor Advocate Arrigo CAIRO[xv] - MILAN, Via Niappo[h] Juvara: a well-known criminologist, [9 groups unrecovered] MARIO has known him since [1 group unrecovered], when they met and became friendly in BELLARIA, where they were on holiday.
3. Doctor Advocate Ugo BATTAGLIA[xvi] - ROME, Piazza Randaccio (the number was omitted): about 47 years old; married to our friend's[xiv] sister; for his political views he was tried by a special tribunal in ROME, [3 groups unrecovered] from the Roman
[21 groups unrecovered]

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Notes:

- [a] NEW YORK's Nos. 804, 805 of 29th May 1943 
- [b] COMPRADOR: Literally "buyer".
- [c] Inserted by the translator.
- [d] Presumably "no members," is followed by some qualifying statement such as "residing in ..." or "who have ...".
- [e] Or "is".
- [f] Or "himself/herself".
- [g] Possibly a garbled version of BOLOGNA.
- [h] Presumably "Via Filippo Juvara".

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Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

[ii] ARTUR: Unidentified covername. Also occurs in messages between 15th May 1942 and 26th December 1944 on the NEW YORK-MOSCOW link and between 23rd June 1944 and 10th July 1945 on the MONTEVIDEO-MOSCOW link.

[iii] PROVINCES: Latin American countries.

[iv] Albert GUERIN: Businessman, President of the de GAULLE Committee in BUENOS AIRES.

[v] Maurice BLUEL: Presumably Maurice (Emilio Mauricio) BRUEL, French businessman in BUENOS AIRES, member of the de GAULLE Committee.

[vi] Jacques BLANIE: Presumably Jacques BLANIC, reported to have attended a MONTEVIDEO Conference in October 1943 as delegate of the Fighting French of BOLIVIA.

[vii] Parlantino PARLANTI: Not traced.

[viii] Silvio PETERLONGO: Member of the Executive Committee of Azione Italiana Garibaldi, formed in ARGENTINA in 1943.

[ix] FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN: Member of the Communist Party.

[x] Luis TEDESCHI: Member of an Italian anti-Fascist refugee family in BUENOS AIRES; his addresses were used in the Spanish Communist reporting system.

[xi] Walter SICCO: Presumably Walter Juan Pablo SICCO, born in CAIRO MONTENOTTE, ITALY, living in BUENOS AIRES.

[xii] Paolo VITA-FINZI: Italian diplomat and writer: was Consul-General in ROSARIO in 1934; resigned and lived as emigré in BUENOS AIRES 1939-46, supporting Free ITALY activities.

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Comments

- [Cont'd]: [xiii] MOLINARI: Professor Alessandro MOLINARI, Director-General of the Central Statistics Institute in ROME.
- [xiv] MARIO/our friend: Possibly Mario SEGRE, born in MILAN, naturalised Argentinian, Communist, editor; see also Comment [xvi].
- [xv] Arrigo CAIRO: Italian Socialist.
- [xvi] Ugo BATTAGLIA: Presumably Ugo BATTAGLIA, anti-Fascist lawyer in ROME; married Maria SEGRE, sister of Mario SEGRE (see Comment [xiv]).
- [xvii] LUKA: Pavel P. KLARIN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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