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1. FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS MOST UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT ARISING FROM ARREST DOLLMANN BY ITALIAN POLICE.

2. END OF AUGUST INFORMED BY BARON ^{Lyci} PARILLI THAT DOLLMANN AND WENNER, HAVING ESCAPED FROM ALLIED PW CAMP, GIVEN FALSE IDENTITY CARDS BY SIM. BOTH BEING HELD BY SIM, AND CARDINAL SHUSTER IN INSANE ASYLUM MILAN. PARILLI RELATED BOTH BEING USED IN DETERMINED RIGHT WING AND VATICAN MANEUVER TO DISCREDIT ALLIED SURRENDER IN ITALY AND BUILD UP NATIONALISTIC ANTI-ALLIED FEELING ON ALL-OUT PROPAGANDA THEME THAT CARDINAL SHUSTER SAVED ITALY FROM GERMAN SCORTH-EARTH INTENTIONS BY PERSONALLY NEGOTIATING SURRENDER. PROJECT WAS LAUNCHED IN MILAN PRESS SUPPORTED BY PHONEY AFFIDAVITS OBTAINED BY SHUSTER'S SECRETARY DON BICCHERAI AND GHISSETTI OF SIM, WHICH DOLLMANN AND WENNER FORCED TO SIGN; ALSO INCLUDED BLACKMAIL DOCUMENTATION AGAINST

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PARILLI AND OTHERS WHO WORKED WITH AMERICANS. PARILLI CONCLUDED THAT BOTH WERE BEING BLACKMAILED AND HAD CONTEMPLATED DEFECTING TO RUSSIANS BUT WERE SCHEDULED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER PLACE, ALLEGEDLY A JESUIT CONVENT.

3. REFLECTION ON ABOVE BROUGHT INTO MIND FORMER STATEMENT MADE FORMER HEAD OF [] ^{rel} TO ME FOLLOWING ESCAPE IN BEGINNING 1946, WHEN HE ASKED IF WE WERE INTERESTED IN RUNNING DOLLMANN WHOM HE COULD CONTACT. IN VIEW [] CLOSE CONTACT WITH BRITISH WE DECLINED. OTHER TRACE ON ABOVE INDICATED BOTH BICCHERAI AND GUISETTI CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH BRITISH I.S. THEREFORE REGARDED CASE AS ONE FRAUGHT WITH I.S. INTEREST AND PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS IF COMMUNISTS TOOK THEM OVER. FURTHER MOTIVATED BY DEFINITE PARILLI STATEMENT THAT ON BEHALF OF SUNRISE BOTH HE AND HUSSMANN MADE DEFINITE COMMITMENTS TO REHABILITATE THEM. THIS SUBSTANTIATED BY PARILLI SPENDING 181,000 LIRE OF OWN MONEY TO MAKE UP FOR HARM DONE.

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4. IN VIEW OF TIME ELEMENT BOTH WERE TAKEN IN HAND BY US AND BROUGHT TO ROME. CONCLUSION OF OPERATION IN ROME WAS DELAYED ONLY BY OTHER PRIORITY MATTERS. IN MEANTIME PLAN WAS TO KEEP THEM QUIET (SINCE ESCAPE OCCURRED 10 MONTHS AGO) WITH PROPOSAL U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLISH WHITE BOOK WITH FULL PARTICULARS OPERATION/SUNRISE TO OFFSET SCHUSTER'S PUBLICATION. THIS PARTICULARLY NECESSARY FOR HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN GERMAN ARMISTICE.

5. COLONEL GEORGE SMITH, G-2, INFORMED VERBALLY OUR ACTION WITH DETAILS AS TO VATICAN/SIN IMPLICATIONS. HOWEVER HIS PRESENCE IN CASE PURELY TACIT THOUGH ON HIS DEPARTURE GAVE DETAILS TO HARTMAN.

6. RECENTLY, BEFORE LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE ELECTIONS RETURNED TO OFFICE LEARNING ITALIAN POLICE ARRESTED D (DOLLMAN REFERRED TO HEREAFTER AS D). D ISSUED PHONEY DOCUMENT BY US UNDER ITALIAN NAME CORRESPONDING TO NAME IDENTITY CARD ISSUED HIM BY SIN. OUR DOCUMENT SIGNED WITH FALSE NAME OF MAJOR O'BRIEN. OFFICE HAD

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ALREADY ATTEMPTED TO RETRIEVE HIM FROM LOW POLICE ECHELON BUT MADE UNFORTUNATE MISTAKE OF SENDING ITALIAN DRIVER TO DO SO. FACED WITH POSSIBILITY THAT WHOLE VATICAN/SIN SCANDAL WOULD BREAK, BUILDING UP COMMUNIST ATTACK ON CHURCH AND CENTER DURING ELECTIONS, IMMEDIATELY SAW CHIEF OF POLICE, FERRARI^{cal}. DURING INTERVIEW STRESSED FALSE IDENTITY CARD ISSUED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITY, THAT BOTH FERRARI'S POLITICAL PARTY AND VATICAN WOULD SEVERELY SUFFER IF COMMUNISTS MANAGED TO BREAK HIM, THAT HE COULD KEEP BODY SINCE OUR ACTION PURELY PASSIVE. AS RESULT FERRARI PRODUCED BODY.

7. FLAW IN ARRANGEMENTS CAUSED BY NEW ROME QUESTOR POLITO^{cal} WHO HAD IGNORED ALLIED DOCUMENT AND HAD PREVIOUSLY INFORMED PRESS. POLITO DELIBERATELY LIED BEFORE FERRARI STATING THAT PRESS HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED AND THAT BODY WAS ONLY CASSANI^{cal}. THEREFORE CHOICE OF REGAINING BODY IMMEDIATELY TAKEN SINCE IN ESCAPED PW CASES ITALIANS HAVE NO JURISDICTION. AT NO TIME DID D CONFESS

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HIS TRUE IDENTITY BUT STUCK TO NAME GIVEN BY SIM.

8. LOCAL PRESS, WITH EMPHASIS FROM LEFT, BEGAN TO ATTACK.

COLONEL HARTMAN, INFORMED OF CASE FROM COLONEL GEORGE SMITH, ARRIVED FOR CONSULTATION. IN AGREEMENT ROMIE G-2, WAS GENERALLY DECIDED TO STAND PAT THAT CASSANI WAS I.S. SUSPECT FOLLOWING JURIDICAL PRACTICE ANY ENEMY AGENT IS WITHIN ALLIED JURISDICTION. THIS FOLLOWED BY TRANSMITTAL TO HARTMAN OF MEMO ON CASE FOR GENERAL LEE.

9. IN MIDDLE OF THIS, POLITO, WHO DENIED CASSANI WAS D ON OWN INITIATIVE (IN STATEMENT WHICH I REFUSED TO SIGN) INFORMED PRESS OF TRUE IDENTITY ADDING THAT ALLIES HAD TAKEN BODY. IN VIEW IMPENDING FOSSE ARGENTINA TRIAL WHICH WAS VITAL ISSUE IN CASE, TELEPHONED HARTMAN THAT ORIGINAL REQUEST TO LEE THAT WE SHIP D OUT OF COUNTRY BE PREDICATED ON RESULT TRIAL WHICH SHOULD (AND SO FAR HAS) ESTABLISH HIS INNOCENCE. HARTMAN REPLIED LEE APPROVED OUR MEMO (WHICH JUSTIFIED ACTION ON

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BASIS THAT D AND WENNER WERE OPERATION SUNRISE OBLIGATIONS WHICH MUST BE LIQUIDATED WHILE WE STILL MAINTAINED THE POWER TO DO SO) AND THAT HE WERE TO STAND PAT.

10. CASE WENT TO BRITISH GENERAL AIREY WHO STATED HE PERSONALLY PARTICIPATED IN SURRENDER NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT D HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH NEGOTIATIONS. RESULT OF BRITISH ATTITUDE WAS THAT AFHQ MADE PRESS RELEASE THAT D WAS IN ALLIED HANDS AND THAT HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH SUNRISE. THIS WAS MADE WITHOUT INFORMATION TO US.

11. HAVE PASSED TO AMBRIGNANI FOR GENERAL LEE COMPLETE D STORY TOGETHER WITH THE BRITISH CSOIC INTERROGATION OF D WHICH CLEARLY INDICATES WHETHER AUTHORIZED OR NOT D WAS MADE PROMISES BY BOTH HUSSMANN AND PARILLI AND THAT HE CLEARLY PARTICIPATED IN THE SECRET I.S. PHASE OF NEGOTIATIONS. THE LATTER PART OF THIS AIREY CONVINCED LEE WAS FALSE. IT WAS MADE PRECISELY BECAUSE OF THESE PROMISES MADE BY PARILLI AND HUSSMANN DURING

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THE NEGOTIATIONS THAT BOTH CONTACTED D AND W DURING THEIR INCARCERATION BY SIM IN MILAN.

12. ON ORDERS FROM HARTMAN, D NOW LODGED IN AN MP JAIL. IN TODAY'S PAPERS THERE IS AN ACCOUNT OF THE FIRST DAY OF THE FOSSE ARGENTINA CAVE TRIAL IN WHICH D'S MORTAL ENEMY, KAPPLER, ANSWERED DIRECT QUESTION ON D'S PARTICIPATION STATING DIRECTLY D HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE FOSSE ARGENTINA.

13. COLONEL HARTMAN FROM THE FIRST DAY OF OUR REGAINING BODY FROM POLICE STATED HE WOULD TAKE CASE IN HAND AND COVER FOR US AT CASERTA. THIS WAS UNFORTUNATE BUT LOGICAL STEP. HOWEVER, CASE ONCE IN HIS HANDS SERVED AS ESTOPPEL WHEREBY I WAS NOT ONLY STOPPED FIGHTING OWN BATTLE BUT DID NOT LEARN OF EVENTS UNTIL LATE LAST NIGHT.

14. SINCE HARTMAN UNWITTINGLY VICTIM OF HIS OWN GOLD INTENTIONS ON OUR BEHALF, AND BECAUSE FUTURE DISPOSITION D AND W NOW UNDER DISCUSSION, URGENTLY REQUEST YOUR EXAMINATION OF

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BRITISH CSOIC INTERROGATION OF D AS WELL AS OTHER ASPECTS OF
OPERATION SUNRISE DURING PRELIMINARY NEGOTIATIONS, TO SEE
WHETHER OUR OMISSION IS CORRECT.

15. HAVE BEEN INFORMED PRIVATELY BY ABRIGNANI AND HARTMAN THAT
IF WAR DEPARTMENT WOULD SEND URGENTLY CABLE TO GENERAL LEE STAT-
ING IN EFFECT THAT D AND W PARTICIPATED IN NEGOTIATIONS DURING
THEIR I.S. PHASE AND WERE MADE PROMISES OF REHABILITATION BY
AMERICAN O.S.S. AGENTS HUSSMAN AND PARILLI, HE WILL CONSIDER
WHOLE MATTER MOST FAVORABLE. THIS ACT WOULD REESTABLISH OUR
POSITION AND RESOLVE PRESENT CONFLICT. FEEL STRONGLY THAT NO
OTHER INTERPRETATION CAN BE PLACED ON THE D INTERROGATION WHICH
WAS SCIENTIFICALLY CONDUCTED BY BRITISH AND WHICH REFUTES THE
PRIMARY ISSUE MADE BY AIREY WHEN HE CONVINCED LEE D HAD NOTHING
TO DO WITH THE NEGOTIATIONS. SUCH STATEMENTS CONFIRMED BY
PARILLI. WD CABLE WOULD NOT EMBARRASS AIREY OR LEE IF IT MERELY
SPELLED OUT THAT SECRET SIDE OF AMERICAN NEGOTIATIONS CONDUCTED

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DID INVOLVE D, W PARTICIPATION.

16. REGRET TO CABLE THIS SO LATE, BUT MOVEMENT OF EVENTS PREVENTED PRESENTATION OF ANY ISSUED UNTIL LAST NIGHT.

17. FOR BENEFIT ABRIGNANI AND HARTMAN MAY I HAVE INDICATIVE REACTION SOONEST.

18. ACTING IN GOOD FAITH BUT SOMEWHAT INEXPERIENCEDLY, HARTMAN SHOWED BRITISH TOP SECRET CONTROL DOCUMENT WRITTEN BY ME FOR HARTMAN TO BE SHOWN GEN. LEE. NOW APPEARS BRITISH KNOW WE HAVE WENNER AS WELL AS D. HARTMAN'S HANDLING OF CASE MOST UNFORTUNATE BUT DESIRE NO FURTHER ACTION BE TAKEN ON HIS HANDLING SINCE PRIMARY MISTAKE WAS TO FOLLOW HIS INSTRUCTIONS THAT WE DROP OUT OF THE PICTURE AND THAT HE BE GIVEN WHOLE CASE SINCE HAD BEEN PRIORLY BRIEFED BY COLONEL GEORGE SMITH, AND THAT HE COULD REVEAL IT WITHOUT BRITISH KNOWING OUR PARTICIPATION. LAST NIGHT WHOLE CASE THROWN BACK ON ME FOLLOWING LONG DELAY.

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- 19. PUBLICITY HAS REVEALED NOTHING ON THIS UNIT OR MEMBERS TO ITALIAN. BRITISH, HOWEVER, NOW KNOW WE NOW HOLD WENNER.
- 20. FOLLOWING ABRIGNANI'S TALK WITH LEE, HAVE JUST LEARNED HE WILL BACK US IF OFFICIAL STATEMENT FORTHCOMING, PARTICULARLY SO BECAUSE HE IS TAKING OVER FROM MORGAN WHO IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE LEFT ITALY.

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