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1. References: JRX-3507 dated 13 June 1946; XX-12659 of 23 October 1946.

2. We have, dated 18 August 1947, the following from source:

"Please refer to your letter of 4th October 1946.

"You may be interested in the following report on Laszlo TARNOY which we have received from Italy:-

Laszlo TARNOY, son of Aladar and of Janiesok Giuditte, born at Vagujhely (Hungary) on the 25th May 1912, Hungarian citizen, arrived in Milan in February 1945 from Austria.

"He was previously head of the Hungarian Nazi students and a functionary of the Ministry of Education. He moved in Nazi Hungarian circles. He formed part of the 'Fronte Orientale' and of the anti-Bolshevik league in Hungary. During the 'Szalasi' regime he was nominated a district judge and later was transferred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the task of arranging deportations.

"When he arrived in Milan he wore a Nazi emblem of the Arrow Cross. TARNOY arrived in Italy via the Brenner together with his wife or mistress, a certain Elisabetta CZIROK, in a car driven by a certain Giulia CSETENYI, chauffeur.

"During the partisan period in North Italy TARNOY was at Argegno and was not interned like other Hungarians because he was in possession of various letters of recommendation, issued to him by the socialist Matteotti Brigades.

"TARNOY is well known to General SZABO, ex-minister plenipotentiary in Italy believed to be resident in Rome. When he arrived in Italy TARNOY took up residence in Piazza Castello 25, Milan, and called himself a Jewish refugee. Under this cover he immediately made contact with the Allied authorities in Milan from whom he obtained permission to publish various reviews. Later he took an interest in journalism and at the moment he is administrator of a company known as 'Bondivertimento', Galleria Vittorio Emanuele 90, and of an advertising organisation in Via Tamburini 6. He is also connected with the newspaper 'Il Popolo' and director of the open air cinema in the Arena in Milan. He obtained authority for the latter scheme through the socialist federation in Milan.

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"In addition TARNOY is connected with the Fronte della Gioventu from whom he succeeded in obtaining an office in Via Conservatorio 9, from which he directs the Bondivertimento company.

"TARNOY is an extremely able and cunning individual who has managed to attract the sympathy of various political parties, thus evading any accusations on his political past. Despite the fact that TARNOY is notoriously anti-Russian he is well liked by the Communists.

"Subject's wife is a variety artist and works under a Variety company called 'Renato Maddalena'."

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