

COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS
MILAN DETACHMENT ZONE 33
APO 512 U.S. ARMY

10 JUNE 1946

SUBJECT: BERTHIER, Robert and BERTHIER, Jean

TO : M.A. TONINI, Major
Supervising Agent, CIC ZONE 3

On this date this Agent conducted an investigation and interrogation of Subjects and the following information requested was obtained:

1. Subjects are being held for repatriation to France at the request of the French government.
2. Subjects as members of the German Abwehr and SD are wanted by the French authorities for treason.
3. Repatriation action will be instituted in a short time thru GSI(b), 3 District, Northern Det.
4. They are not wanted by the Italian government, not having committed anything against the Italian State.

The Bolzano Sub-Section is in the possession of Subjects activities while in the employ of the Germans.

Attention is invited to the fact that although Subjects have in the past aided this detachment in its work, under the existing circumstances it is inadvisable to interfere by requesting their release. The French government has requested that Subjects be repatriated to France to stand trial for treason.

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION.

SUBJECT : MARIO PRUGIER

1. During the interrogation by this Agent of BERTHIER, Jean and Robert, it was revealed that Subject above, who was being held on suspicion of being an SD Agent (arrested by CIC in Bolzano, late 1945 - released early 1946), proposed to the BERTHIERS that he could effect their release if they would work for him in either Italy or France as espionage agents.
2. Subject further stated to the BERTHIERS that he was a Russian Agent.
3. It is possible that Subject, who is an ardent Communist (International Brigade during the Spanish Civil War - Italian Communist Underground and Partisan Leader) is a recruiter of agents for Russian Intelligence.
4. It is suggested that Subject's movements and contacts be controlled.

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M.A. TORINI
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Supervising Agent

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BERTHIER ROBERT } DÉTENU A S/VITTOR
BERTHIER JEAN } MILANO

LE. 20-6-1946

AU CAPTAIN NATSIUS.
C.I.C. MILANO

Pour des brefs interrogatoires du 5.6.46 qui a eu lieu à votre bureau, nous étions émus à un tel point que nous avons omis de vous faire certaines déclarations. D'autre part, nous avions pensé, par la suite, réparer cet oubli dès notre libération.

Or, celle-ci ayant tardé plus que nous l'avions espéré, l'affaire dont nous désirons vous entretenir devient urgente.

Je ne puis écrire ici ce dont il s'agit, ne sachant pas exactement par quel moyen vous faire parvenir ce papier. Je veux simplement vous rappeler que je vous en ai indiqué quelques petites idées à la fin de notre interrogatoire.

Ce sont des faits qui se sont déroulés depuis notre arrestation, ou qui sont parvenus à notre connaissance en prison à BOLZANO.

Je suis certain que cette affaire ou
plutôt, ces affaires sont de gros intérêt
pour le service. D'autre part, cela
pourrait certainement aider à notre libération.
Je vous demande donc, de bien vouloir,
faire le nécessaire pour que nous puissions
vous mettre au courant.

Respectueusement


BERTHIER ROBERT.