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ITALIAN FRONTIER CONTROL DETACHMENT
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512 U.S. ARMY

15 MAY 1945
TURIN SECTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

Subject: PEZZOTA, Alfredo; NESSI, Mario; RUFFINI, Bartolo

Re: Unauthorized Crossing of the Franco-Italian
Frontier

The following information has been supplied by Special Agents Louis Eliopoulos and William Jackson from Susa.

1. On 13 May 1945, the above named Subjects presented themselves before the AMG office in Susa and requested travel authorizations to proceed to their homes in Bergamo, Italy. Upon discovery that Subjects had crossed the Italo-French frontier without proper AFHQ authorization, the AMG officials turned them over to the local CIC office, where Special Agent Jackson undertook to interrogate Subjects and to determine the particulars of their illegal crossing.

2. The interrogation disclosed that Subjects arrived in Susa on a French military vehicle from Mont Cenis, where Subjects had crossed the frontier at 2000 hours on the previous day.

3. When French forces liberated the Allied POW camp at DONAUSCHINGEN, Germany, Subjects who had been employed as laborers in Germany, were released by the French and provided with train transportation to PAVILLON, France.

4. At PAVILLON Subjects were issued permits by the French "SECURITE MILITAIRE" for travel to Italy. At LANSLEBOURG, near the frontier they were taken off the train and transported by French military trucks to Susa where they were turned over to CIC by AMG.

5. At present Subjects are being held in the local prison by AMG pending further interrogation for final disposition.

AGENT'S NOTES:

1. This incident is ample proof of the complete disregard on the part of the French authorities of frontier regulations governing the travel of civilians.

2. Enclosed are Subjects' travel authorizations issued by the BSM at PAVILLON for travel to Bergamo, Italy.

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