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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS
MILAN DETACHMENT, ZONE 3
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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

SUBJECT: Activity of Spanish Subjects in Milan.

RE : Recruitment of Anti-Fascist Elements.

1. Reliable information has been received from a confidential source regarding a clandestine organization which recruits and facilitates the passage to France of elements pledged to fight in an anti-Falangist movement.

2. A certain ORTIZ de ZUGASTI, Alfonsi, Spanish Subject, aged 26 years, and resident of Milano, #20 Corso Indipendenza, recently confided to friends that he was a member of a section of the LISTER INTERNATIONAL RED BRIGADE which is under the direct command of the Spanish Republican government in exile.

3. The unit in Milan is composed of Italian, French and Spanish elements as well as Poles and 5 Czechs (all belonging to the Communist Party, and by whom they are employed in the political field), and is in possession of a large amount of arms and ammunitions. Gino VALORI, Italian citizen and brother of the well-known Aldo VALORI is reported as the unit's leader.

4. ORTIZ de ZUGASTI, presently employed by an insurance (NU), served in a Communist Partisan organization during the Nazi-Fascist period. He is reported to be on friendly terms with the well-known Communist exponents: Luigi LONGO (alias GALLO) and Vincenzo MOSCATELLI (alias GINO).

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