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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION.-

SUBJECT: Yugoslav and OZNA Activity in Italy.

Monarchist Yugoslav circles from Rome have been making the following comments on the political situation in Italy:

1. They believe that after the elections of last spring, Tito's Agents in Italy have become more active. Venice has been practically flooded with OZNA Agents and propagandists. The pro-Tito Yugoslavs hope that an Italian Fifth Column will bring about the complete collapse of the present structure of the Italian Government. According to these Yugoslavs, centers of activity for Italy are now Milan, Venice, Ancona, Bari, Naples and Palermo. Many Italians, even members of the PCI, are not aware of the existence of this 5th Column, since its leaders are mainly Yugoslavs. Centers of activity have been created in every city. Several of them are located in Rome, and each one of them is apparently unaware of the existence of the others. This alleged Fifth Column has started a violent campaign against the Vatican, which is regarded as the most powerful obstacle in the way of the advocated Communist Government in Italy. These Monarchist circles believe that OZNA propaganda is becoming more and more evident throughout the country. Yugoslav emigres are very much alarmed and they are trying to be accepted by Allied Camps created around Fermo and Reggio Emilia, waiting to leave Italy and emigrate to South America.

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