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MOROCCAN TRAVEL CONTROL DETACHMENTARHQ
APO 759 U.S. ARMYPlace: Date: 2 June 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE.

SUBJECT: Spanish Deserters

RE: GOENOLA y BILBAO, Daniel
VILLANOVA y HILARIA, Jose Maria

The above named Spanish deserters gave themselves up to the "D.S.F." (anti-aircraft defense unit) at Boulay Bou Selhem on 26 May 1944. Questioning by the "Gendarmerie Nationale" produced the following:

1. GOENOLA-BILBAO, Daniel. Born at Biscaye, (same province) Spain, 21 April 1916, son of Modesto and of Bilbao Urzula. Subject is of Spanish nationality, a bachelor, attached to 3rd Tercio, 9th Bandera, 21st Company of Larache as a private. Subject in the company of VILLANOVA-HILARIA crossed the frontier at Boulay Bou Selhem at 0800 hours on 26 May 1944.

In 1936 Subject was a member of the Spanish Republican Army, and was wounded during the siege of Bilbao. He was hospitalized for two years at the Bilbao General Hospital. He was released in 1938, and till 1944 he remained in the same city. On 12 April 1944 he went to Madrid where he enlisted in the Spanish Army with the purpose of reaching Morocco where he planned to escape. Subject arrived at Larache on 25 May 1944 and deserted almost immediately upon arrival. As reasons for deserting Subject stated that he was out of sympathy with the Franco regime, and that he wanted to join the French Foreign Legion. Subject thought he was deserting to the American Army.

2. VILLANOVA-HILARIA, Jose Maria. Born at Bilbao, province of Vizcaya, Spain, 27 November 1922, son of Hilaria Bilbao and of Jose Villanova. Subject is of Spanish nationality, a bachelor, attached to same unit as GOENOLA-BILBAO above, as a private. Subject deserted at same time and place in the company of GOENOLA-BILBAO above. Subject was a company secretary.

After the Spanish Civil War, Subject went to France in a refugee convoy after the fall of Bilbao. In Perpignan where he arrived he worked for one month at a boys' school. From there he went to Nijlen, Belgium where he stayed for 4 months, and then left for the Spanish refugee colony in England. After a 5 months stay in England he returned to Bilbao, Spain where he enlisted in the Spanish Merchant Marine. He served here till his date of enlistment in the Spanish Army. (During this time Subject served a 18 months prison sentence for political reasons, and had his marine license suspended.) Subject has agreed to serve in the French Foreign Legion for the duration.

Nicholas A. Natsios
Agent, C.I.C.

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AGENT'S OPINION:

This Agent believes the Subjects are telling the truth, but as in all cases of this sort, a discreet surveillance should be conducted for a while to ascertain the sincerity of the Subjects as enemies of Russia.

Nicholas A. Laisac
Agent, C.I.C.

SOURCE: Reliable

EVALUATION

INFORMATION: Probably true report

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS
 MOROCCAN TRAVEL CONTROL DETACHMENT
 AFHQ
 A.P.O. 759 U.S. ARMY

Place: Arbaoua Section

Date: 7 June 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

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