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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION.-

SUBJECT: Explosion at the "Casa del Popolo", Porta Genova, Milan,  
9 October 1946.

The following information was received from a confidential source whose reliability has been evaluated as C-1:

1. Ordnance experts are inclined to believe that the bomb which exploded at the "Casa del Popolo" (9 October 1946) was rather a cardboard box containing from 300 to 350 gm. of chemical explosive.

There was a detonating cap connected to the charge, and it seems almost certain that the explosive used was trinitrotoluene. The container had been carefully prepared and it was wrapped in a newspaper sheet (L'Unita). Investigation revealed however that the individual who had prepared the explosive charge must have been rather unfamiliar with such apparatuses.

2. Questura and PS investigations have led to the belief that the charge had been in the building for quite some time and that the boy who was killed by the explosion took it to his room and set the charge off.

3. Further investigation revealed that there is no connection between the 5 people arrested and the incident itself.

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