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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS  
MILAN DETACHMENT ZONE 3  
APO 512 U.S. ARMY

14, May 1946

SUBJECT: MAZZONIS, Baronessa  
Via Viotti 1, Torino

RE : Investigation

1. Reference is made to letter Hq 2 Dist, GSI, CMP, file GSI/2358 dated 1 Mar 46 requesting investigation of Subject's activities and her position with Lt. Col. FIORE of A.M.G. Turin. Subject was allegedly using her association with Lt. Col. FIORE to further her own ends and to transfer a prisoner from one prison to another.

2. Investigation conducted in Turin by this agent revealed the following information:

Subject was identified as MAZZONIS Winifred (nee CECIL) fu Enrico and Engleheart CECIL. She was born in New York City on 31 August 1907 and married to Paolo MAZZONIS fu Ettore, fu KROWN Vittoria (born in Turin 6 Aug 1883) a well known industrialist and theatrical producer. Being a producer, Baron MAZZONIS met Winifred CECIL, a singer, about 5 years ago. He was a widower and married her.

The MAZZONIS couple live in Via Viotti 1 (formerly Torre Littoria), 15th floor. In this same building, at the 18th floor, Col. FIORE has his apartment. Being American by birth, the Baroness soon became friendly with Col. FIORE: he is still in very friendly terms with the MAZZONIS. They often go out together, and at times the MAZZONIS couple and the Colonel remain absent from Turin for long periods of time. For instance around 1500 of 7 April, the Baroness, her husband and the Colonel left Turin, allegedly for Rome, and did not return till two weeks later.

It has been ascertained that the Baroness has a great power over Col. FIORE, and she is able to obtain anything from him. In this respect Capt. R. WITT, OC of 315 FSS reports that some time ago he had been informed that the Baroness had obtained through Col. FIORE, of whom she claims to be the secretary, the transfer of a Fascist "federale" from the Cuneo jail to the Turin prison. She had also recommended other Fascist personalities. In view of the fact that she is a citizen of an Allied nation, Capt. WITT, according to his own statement, did not investigate the cases, and filed the reports on the matter.

It is reported that Col FIORE has recently established an Import-Export office in Turin. It is also reported that he has been named Director for UNRRA in Piedmont, with offices in Via San Francesco d'Assisi 35. Miscellaneous correspondence addressed to him has already been delivered at this address.

3. Baronessa MAZZONIS is not Col. FIORE's secretary.

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