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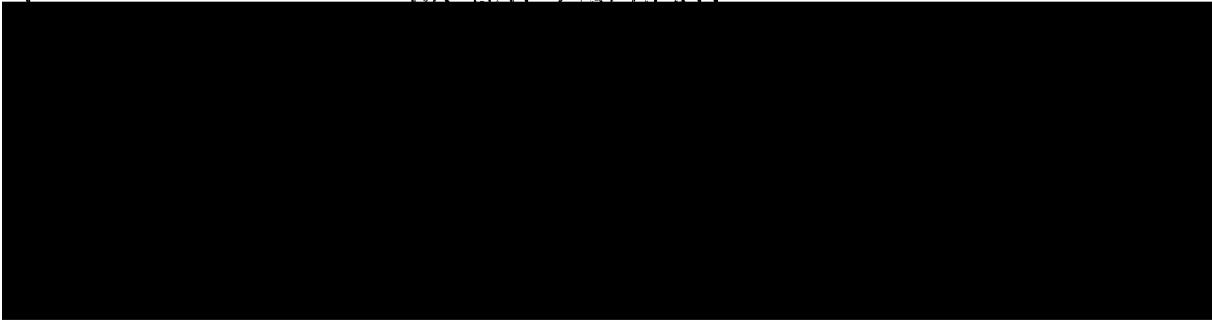
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- As reported in [REDACTED] on 19 October 1951 the pro-Cominform Communist Party of Trieste reportedly received orders from Rome to cease support of the policy advocating the application of the Italian Peace Treaty to the Free Territory of Trieste. The Party was allegedly instructed to advocate the return of the Territory to Italy. In this connection it is noted that on 9 October 1951, Palmiro Togliatti, in a speech before the Italian Chamber of Deputies regarding the Trieste question, made the following statement: "I brought back a proposal for the division of Trieste made by Marshal Tito.....but we state clearly that we could not accept that proposal."
- Togliatti was referring to his meeting with Tito on 5 November 1946. His recent assertion appears to be in line with the alleged change in policy regarding Trieste and directly contrary to what he stated in 1946. This change of face is currently being exploited by anti-Communist organizations in a widely distributed poster.

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**Comment:** It is possible that the change in policy by the pro-Cominform Communist Party in Trieste outlined in paragraph 1 above may be a conclusion drawn from Togliatti's speech by anti-Cominform elements in Trieste. It is difficult to believe that such a shift in policy would be handled by the Italian Communist Party leadership in such a tentative fashion as to permit a possible split between the Slovene Italian members of the pro-Cominform Communist Party in Trieste.

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