

Subject: Rome Activity of Dr. Carl and
 Carl KIRCHBERGER - Establish-
 ment of the International Anti-
 Bolshevik Organization (IAESZ)

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1. A report dated early December indicated that Major Carl NEY had entered Italy clandestinely early in December with documents in the name of Carl KIRCHBERGER. NEY was reported to have gone to Rome where he stayed with Father IRANI, Piazza del "Assisi" 4, Tel. 51494, and allegedly had an important mission to carry out in Rome where he was to meet with Bishop RUDALI, with a certain SIMONIORIA SICA, former leader of the Hungarian Iron Guards, and other high personalities of the Vatican to whom he was allegedly to report on matters concerning the arrest of the Hungarian Cardinal MINDSENTY.
2. Late in December, NEY contacted the DNESTUR representative in Rome, the Tunisian Arab, Abdul Hadi ELJDOUB. ELJDOUB is an agent of Lt. Colonel NANI of the positive intelligence section of the Italian Military Intelligence.
3. Through ELJDOUB, NEY entered into direct contact with Italian Intelligence representatives in order to propose a continuing contact between them and representatives of NEY's organization, the A.M.A. (Anti-Bolsheviska Magyarok Arvonal), the Hungarian anti-Bolshevist front. The documents shown by NEY in the name of KIRCHBERGER were evidently genuine Allied military government (German) documents. As a sole condition to collaboration with the Italian military intelligence, NEY desired that he be permitted to set up his organization in Rome under Italian control, under a commercial cover. NEY claimed that the A.M.A. had already carried out widespread penetration work throughout the so-called satellite countries. He stated that his organization would be in a position to place at the disposition of the Italian Intelligence information of any kind, political or military, on Communist and Communist activity throughout Eastern and Central Europe. NEY presented the Italian Intelligence with a declaration on his past activities, translations of which will be found in Attachment A.
4. On 31 December, NEY, together with a Mr. Hartono LUTERBASUTE, ELJDOUB, and Dr. Luigi SOMEGNARI, formally founded in Rome the Rome section of the International Anti-Bolshevik Organization referred to as IAESZ, through which the future collaboration would take place with Italian intelligence after the establishment of a proper commercial cover. A translation of the minutes of the meeting at which this organization was founded are attached (Attachment B) and are self-explanatory.
5. The main center of NEY's activity is evidently moving, to which he returned, presumably clandestinely, on or about 5 January 1949.

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6. As the proposition advanced by NEY for the expenditure of money and gave promise of future developments of possible interest, the Italian intelligence acceded to his request. Future developments will be reported as they occur.
7. It should be noted that NEY claims to have the moral and, to a slight extent, material support of Allied authorities, although he does not specify whether these are American, French, or British.
8. An independent report of about the same date received from Source B mentions the reported organization in Austria of an Anti-Communist Volunteer Corps under the tacit protection of American and French occupation authorities. This organization not only envisages the use of volunteers in guerrilla type warfare in the event of possible future conflict, but also embodies a EUROPEAN character which it offers to the youth of western countries.
9. NEY, mentioned as one of this organization's promoters, is identified as a descendant of Marshal NEY of the Napoleonic era. He is quoted as stating, during his visit to Milan and Rome, that the movement is founded with the knowledge and support of American authorities and that it has been also supported by the well-known German, LAUTERBACH, organizer of the German Youth which was afterwards transformed into the HITLERJUGEND.
10. The purpose of NEY's journey to Rome, was to make contact with the local German colony to seek among them persons able to put him in touch with the Italian authorities.
11. Comments and traces would be welcome.

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ATTACHMENT A
(translation)

DECLARATION

Rome - Christmas 1948

1. To Mr. Luigi SOMOGYVARY, the undersigned, Dr. Carlo MEY declares under his full responsibility, that he belonged only to the political party denominated the "Party of Hungarian Renovation", under the direction of Bela KREJCI.
2. In 1942, I left this party to create the "Association of Comrades of the Eastern Front Lines" the political purposes of which were unequivocally Hungarian and national. The group was formed with the authority of the "Ministry of Interior. The Association of Comrades of the Eastern Front Lines, whose initials were KABSZ, was never at the dependence of any party. The total number of its members throughout the country exceeded 120,000. Members included reserve officers and war veterans, as well as civilians ready to take up arms on behalf of their country.
3. After 15 October 1944, ~~Francisco~~ Ferenc SZALASSY attempted to dissolve the KABSZ and to consider it as the armed civilian formation of the Arrow Cross Party. In the face of this, I immediately dissolved the KABSZ. SZALASSY then dismissed me from the Corps of officers and deprived me of my Hungarian citizenship.
4. After 15 October 1944, the Hungarian territorial defense was in complete dissolution and the country and its cities became an easy prey to the Russian attacks. Seeing this and being conscious of my duty as an Hungarian patriot, I established an independent military group in which I gathered all who presented themselves who had not other military obligation. I named the group Hungarian Assault Rangers. It had the purpose of permitting the retirement of the military elements which remained in Western Hungary.
5. As not even the most elementary necessities had been provided for (such as arms, supplies, hospital facilities, etc.) and lacking during the month of January, heavy uniforms and arms, on 25 January 1945, I joined the German SS under the title of "Kampf Grupp MEY". My formation was entirely Hungarian and according to the written understandings, agreed upon with the "affen SS, the unit was assured Hungarian command and leadership. German commanders were placed only on the Division level.
6. I declare finally that neither I nor any member of my formation ever committed terroristic acts against civilian populations, sacking or racial persecution. In support of this, I cite the fact that an Allied judicial proceeding against me which lasted almost two years was concluded with my complete absolution.
7. I declare that I have no intention of taking part in any political movement either now or in the future, and I will do anything in my power to eliminate anything that will disturb Hungarian emigration in order to permit the achievement of the common goal. I am disposed to participate with arms at any time in the struggle for the liberation of Hungary and to come to agreement with Dr. Tiberio REICHHARDT by means of personal accords for conducting unified military operations.

(signed) Dr. CARLO MEY

ATTACHMENT B

(translator)

DEPOSITION

Done in Rome on 31 December 1948
with the foundation of the organization of Armed Civilian International Anti-Communist Formations.

Present: Dr. Carlo NEY, ex-chief of the Association of Comrades of Eastern Front lines, and member of the Directory of the A.M.A., first line Hungarian Anti-Bolshevik organization.

Mr. Hartman LAUTEBACHER, a former member and now once again a member of German Youth organizations.

Mr. Abdul Hadi ELJEDOUH, European representative of the Arab Youth organizations and of the Arab League.

1. The persons above named have called Mr. Luigi STOFFVARI to preside over the discussions.
2. Mr. LAUTEBACHER explains that, according to the opinion of Allied military commands in Germany and to the opinion of German generals who, at present time enjoy complete liberty after having been cleared of every accusation, because of its present unpreparedness Eastern Europe could be defended against an eventual Russian military action only for a few months and perhaps only for a few weeks. Excepted from this judgment are the few countries which are relatively better organized and which, for geographical positions, find themselves in a more favorable situation, i.e. Switzerland, Spain, the Alpine regions, and Northern Italy.
3. In the event of a future Russian invasion, the regular military formations would be destroyed, losing thereby all offensive possibilities as a result of the battle sustained and as the result of the effect of Communist 5th Columns. A very important part, therefore, devolves upon the national civilian volunteer formations which would function at the back of the Russian army (partisan, guerrilla warfare). Their function, above all, would consist of continuous disturbance of Russian lines of communication and supply, forcing the enemy to sustain a continuing battle behind the front. Supplying these civilian military groups would be left to the nations opposed to the Russians.
4. On the basis of the above considerations, Mr. LAUTEBACHER has had the task of bringing about with every security precaution, preparations in the Western German zone for the purpose of organizing German youth, making contact with similar movements in the Baltic States, so that in the event of war collaboration could be assured of the national resistance organizations of the Finns, Lithuanians, Estonians, Danes, Swedes, and Norwegians, as well as the Benelux powers. Simultaneously, Carlo NEY made contact with the chiefs of the anti-Bolshevik movement in the countries of Eastern Europe, i.e. with the military resistance groups which are being organized in Poland, Hungary, Western Ukraine, Rumania, Yugoslavia, and Austria.

5. The collaboration between Dr. MEY and Mr. J. MUTTERBAUMER began in July 1943 and both are in continuous personal relations with the interested German and Austrian military elements, as well as with those of other states. Inasmuch as in the event of war Western Europe would not be able to become the center of an anti-Bolshevik organization and, on the other hand, Southern Italy would be one of the most important and most defended Allied bases, both military and spiritual, it is necessary that the spiritual center of this international anti-Bolshevik resistance be established in Italy. This Italian spiritual center would also be well chosen from the point of international communications, with the Arab world, but above all for overseas supplying from the United States and England. The anti-Bolshevik international organization intends to create in Italy only a spiritual center under the direction of and in strict collaboration with competent Italian military authorities. At the same time it will maintain constant relations with the secret and overt Italian anti-Bolshevik organizations.
6. The International anti-Bolshevik organization, hereafter called NAESZ, will carry out the following activity before the initiation of hostilities:
- a) Uncover Bolshevnik activities and plans in the military, political, and economic fields in all of the occupied countries from Finland to Greece;
 - b) Uncover Russian activity and plans in the military, political and economic fields in the non-occupied countries of Western Europe, and the Arab States;
 - c) Uncover the political activities of various European emigration groups, as well as Bolshevnik agents who are attempting to sabotage and liquidate these groups. Thus, the NAESZ will furnish information and exact names to the Italian military and civilian organizations with which it collaborates, of those persons who are sent to Italy to carry out undermining, disintegrative activity for Bolshevnik purposes. Among other things, Bolshevism is carrying out a major propaganda effort in territories of South American States. For this purpose it sends thousands of agents via Italy. It is necessary absolutely to uncover these agents and advise the Italian authorities of their identities.
 - d) Maintain the strictest collaboration and constant relations between the military organizations of the NAESZ and the Italian General Staff.
 - e) In the event of an internal revolution brought about by the Communists, the NAESZ will place at the disposition of Italian military commands its international anti-Bolshevnik military groups both for open and for guerilla warfare.
 - f) Besides the above indicated activity, and related to it, one of the principal functions of the NAESZ will be that of expanding the number of its members by means of organization and propaganda and to create against the Cominform an anti-Cominform organization which will be active and militant, covering the entire world.
 - g) At the present moment, the NAESZ disposes of the following possibilities:

- i) Complete moral support and, in the event of necessity, the material support of the anti-Bolshevik civilian population numbering several millions of individuals in Eastern Europe and in the countries occupied by the Russians;
 - ii) The moral support, and in a small measure, the material support of Allied Anglo-Saxon authorities which, however, in the event of necessity, will adapt themselves to the needs of the moment;
 - iii) The MAESZ at the moment numbers about 100,000 active members ready for the struggle disposed at any time to risk their lives in action against the Bolsheviks. Among the Hungarian emigres, there are about 5,000 and in Hungary about 15,000, organized in the A.M.A.
7. The organization of Italian centers of the MAESZ will be possible in the following manner:

The MAESZ center, as a secret military organization, will carry out its activity within the framework of a perfectly disguised commercial activity. Contemporaneously, it would have to attempt to assure itself the funds necessary to cover expenses of operations by conducting import and export operations which would be made possible by the Italian organizations. This commercial enterprise should be Italian and, therefore, that makes it necessary that the interested Italian authorities designate a person of their trust to be the head of the organization. The MAESZ does not ask for any material support from the Italian State. It asks only that its activity be made possible and in addition that the persons composing its directorate, numbering in all about 10, be given the possibility of free entrance and exit from the country.