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Michele GLIAN or GLIANS

1. On 4 and 5 January 1951, [redacted] gave from his files information on subject which purportedly had been obtained from a Vatican source. The report, dated July 1950, was described by the person who obtained it for [redacted] as one of the most damning he had ever seen. [redacted] interest in subject, he stated, derives from his responsibility to brief the Ambassador and Minister THOMPSON on personalities whom they meet. In his original report, [redacted] had indicated that subject was interested in meeting embassy officials. The information follows:
2. "Subject is allegedly a Lett from Riga who worked in France during the war for the Germans. It may be possible to obtain information on him from the Credit Suisse in Geneva which, at one time, refused to take his account. While in Geneva he resided at the Hotel Les Bergues, and he had some connection there with one Molina SICEDI, who was not better identified. It is also known that the University of Geneva turned down a donation from him of 100,000 Swiss francs, and that he had to leave the Canton of Geneva for Basel. On another occasion, he was expelled for fiscal irregularities either from France or Switzerland; the report is not definite as to which country. He has a sizeable fortune, and his character is described as the very worst. He is a great braggart, constantly referring to his money and ability to obtain billions of Swiss francs."
3. [redacted] added that subject resides in Rome at Villa Madama Mews (sic), in cohabitation with a movie actress by the name of Luimilla MUDANAGA. He seems to have an almost unlimited supply of gold currency and diamonds. Subject boasts of his close friendship with De GASPERI's daughter, and he appears on the same committee with Francesca De GASPERI in the Societa Bambini Mutilati in Milan. He is also acquainted with Mr. MARINETTO (fnu), who is connected with the U. S. Embassy where he always seeks to further his acquaintances.

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4. On 5 January, [redacted] and Guy SPAMAN, U. S. Secret Service representative in the U. S. Embassy in Paris, had a conference on the subject of counterfeit currency with Giuseppe DOSI, INTERPOL Representative for Italy who works in the Ministry of the Interior. * DOSI, an acquaintance of [redacted] since 1944, went to dinner that evening with him and their conversation was mainly about police work, forgeries, dope smuggling, etc.
5. In the course of the conversation about the work of the French Surete on counterfeiting, DOSI mentioned OLYANS, saying he had a dossier on him and recently received an interesting confidential report from the Surete which he had forwarded to De GASPERI. According to this report, the French police consider subject a Soviet agent. In 1946, after he had been expelled from France, the Surete found a clandestine transmitter, operating from a hospital, which they traced to him. Subject arrived in Italy the same year. DOSI estimates that he is worth six billion lire, and added that he owns an apartment in Milan where he lives in the highest circles.
6. Following receipt of this report, De GASPERI's secretary personally called DOSI on the phone and pleaded in subject's behalf. DOSI was unable to explain the secretary's behavior but told [redacted] that he had an unconfirmed report that subject lent De GASPERI's son-in-law (not identified) twenty-five million lire. Although the allegation is unconfirmed, DOSI thought it possibly might be the reason for the leniency desired for subject by De GASPERI's secretary. DOSI further asserted that subject was recommended for a temporary residence here in Italy by several unidentified Italian ministers.
7. Michael STERN, European correspondent for Newcett Publications, Via della Mercede 54, Rome, another acquaintance of [redacted] independently approached him following the publication of newspaper articles on subject and asked if he had any information on subject. When [redacted] denied any knowledge, STERN told him that subject was a colorful personage and that he wanted to write an article on him. He claimed to have learned that subject instigated a number of incidents which led to Italy's pre-war march into Albania; meanwhile, he allegedly sold arms to the Albanians. According to STERN, subject has approximately \$250,000. in U. S. currency in a bank in France, and also the French police are anxious to apprehend him. He also is alleged to have sold tanks to the Israeli Government.

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8. STERN volunteered the information as coming from one CARBONE, publisher of Monente Jara, Rome. STERN stated that CARBONE told him that two months ago the Naples police seized two blank Italian passports which were traced to subject.
9. For your information.

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* Comment: [] is inclined to believe that DC3I's statements are somewhat exaggerated. In line with this [] heard that DC3I had a history of mental illness.

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