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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Simon SABIANI, born ca. 1890

(5'5" tall, glass right eye)

l. In the pre-WW II and WW II era Subject was an important political figure in Marseille by virtue of his leadership position in the PPF (French Popular Party, an extreme right wing organization) and also was referred to as "gangster boss" of Marseille.

- 2. In June 1943 Paul CARBONE, through Subject SfAFF (chaef card # 240), suggested to German Lt. Col. Von ESCHWEGE, then chief of Abwehr II in Paris, that Carlos Fernandez BACULA, a reruvian drug trafficker, be released from the French concentration camp at Tourelles. CARBONE had proposed to Lt. Col. Von ESCHWEGE a plan whereby the Germans would get heroin into the hands of the Corsicans, who would then get it into North Africa through Spain. Then it would find its way into the houses of prostitution operated by Corsicans ((fnu) PERETTI at Algerete). The plan, however, was disapproved in Berlin.
 - 3. In December 1943 it was reported that Subject was gangster ruler of Marseille and had CARBONE and SPIRITO as his agents.
 - 4. In 1944 Subject reportedly was leader of the Corsicans in France and was a member of LVF (the French Volunteer Legion that collaborated with the Germans). Reportedly his address in Paris was 10 rue de Pyramides, Paris.

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- 5. A report, dated May 1944, indicated that Antoine BIANCHONI A BIANCHI (born on 2 January 1923 at Sartene, Corsica, France), a criminal, received money and protection from the German and French police from Subject. Subject introduced BIANCHONI to Capt. CASABIANCA, who recruited BIANCHONI as a German agent. BIANCHONI reported to MARIOTTI, at 23 Ave. Foch, Paris, for training for German espionage in Corsica.
- 6. A report, dated February 1946, reflects that Subject's associates had included Etienne LEANDRI, a Corsican gangster who worked for the Gestapo at Nice and reportedly was in charge of European publicity for the TOKALON COMPANY.
- 7. In 1934 Charles Joseph FALMIERI @ MERLE @ PRADIER obtained a job at the Marseille City Hall (mairie) through the influence of Subject. During WW II German (Abwehr II) counter-maquis teams were recruited from the PPF and Corsican gangsters through Subject. PALMIERI has said that among members known to him was cancois CARBONE, a Marseille gangster.
- 8. A report dated December 1944 reflects that the names Xavier SABIANI and Simon SABIANI were on Capt. HAGEN's list of people through whom Rene LENTREMY (a German agent) might locate Herbert BERTHOLD, a German defector (OSS/SCI agent "JIGGER"), in order to kill him. It is noted that the list also included the name Pierre SABIANI, at 10 rue du Cardinal Mercier, Paris. Comment: Relationship, if any, with Subject on the part of Lavier SABIANI and Pierre SABIANI is unknown at this time.
- 9. According to one report Subject, who had been PPF delegate of the southeast region of France, was seen on 29 November 1944 in Sigmaringen, Germany, assigned to the (nazi) French government in exile.
- 10. According to an OSS report of January 1946, it had been reported that Marcel DEAT had been seen in Bolzano, Italy about December 1945 and that he was there in contact with Simon SABIANI, "PPF and underworld czar". According to the interrogation of GALLON, Subject was

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reported to be on the Bolzano Committee of Liberation (CDL). Investigation by OSS Capt. Denny JOHNSON revealed that one JOFFORTE, answering to the description of Subject and having a glass eye, was associated with the CDL in Bolzano.

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