



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

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MR. JOHN GREENEWALD JR.



FOIPA Request No.: 1361959-000
Subject: CARUSO, PIETRO

Dear Mr. Greenwald:

The enclosed documents represent the final release of information responsive to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request.

Documents were located which originated with or contained information concerning another agency (ies). We are consulting with the other agency (ies) and are awaiting their response. Our office has processed all other information currently in our possession. Upon the completion of the outstanding consultation by our office, the FBI will correspond with you regarding those documents when the consultation is completed.

Material consisting of two pages has been reviewed pursuant to Title 5, U.S. Code § 552 and this material is being released to you in its entirety with no excisions being made by the FBI.

A search of the FBI Headquarters electronic surveillance indices has been conducted, and no responsive record which indicates that Pietro Caruso has ever been the target of electronic surveillance was located.

Records which may be responsive to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, were destroyed on June 16, 2009. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. Record retention and disposal is carried out under the supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Title 44, United States Code, Section 3301 and Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 12, Sub-chapter B, Part 1228. The FBI Records Retention Plan and Disposition Schedules have been approved by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and are monitored by NARA.

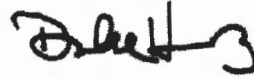
For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing ogis@nara.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@ic.fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David M. Hardy
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Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosure

ONA 6 ROME RIOT

ROME, SEPT. 20. (ONA)--ARMED MILITARY POLICEMEN STOOD GUARD OUTSIDE A DARKROOM IN ROME TODAY WHILE ALLIED NEWSREEL PHOTOGRAPHERS DEVELOPED THEIR PICTURES OF MONDAY'S RIOTING AT THE TRIAL OF FORMER POLICE CHIEF PIETRO CARUSO AT THE PALACE OF JUSTICE AS WELL AS THE GRUESOME SCENES THAT WERE ENACTED OUTSIDE THE GATES OF THE REGINA COELI PRISON DURING WHICH THE PROSECUTION WITNESS DONATO CARRETTA, FORMER CITY JAIL DIRECTOR WAS LYNCHED.

THERE WAS A STRONG SUSPICION THAT AN ATTEMPT TO SABOTAGE THE NEWSFILM MIGHT BE MADE. THE FILMS, WHEN DEVELOPED, MAY REVEAL MANY THINGS TO THE POLICE. AT ANY RATE, THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WAS TAKING NO CHANCES ON LOSING SOME VALUABLE AND IRREVOCABLE EVIDENCE.

THIS ADDS COLOR TO WHAT COUNT CARLO SFORZA, MEMBER OF PREMIER IVANOE BONOMI'S GOVERNMENT AND HEAD OF THE PURGE COMMISSION, TOLD CORRESPONDENTS MONDAY. ACCORDING TO SFORZA, THERE WERE SIGNS THAT MONDAY'S RIOTING WAS NOT ALL SPONTANEOUS.

GOVERNMENT AND POLICE OFFICIALS BELIEVE THAT FASCIST ELEMENTS IN ROME, OF WHOM THERE ARE STILL MANY AT LARGE, USED THE EMOTIONAL STATE OF MIND OF THE PUBLIC TO CREATE A SERIOUS DISTURBANCE. IT IS SUGGESTED THEY HOPED TO ACCOMPLISH TWO THINGS. FIRST, TO WEAKEN THE NONE TOO STRONG AUTHORITIES OF THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT, AND SECOND, TO STORM THE REGINA COELI PRISON AND RELEASE HUNDREDS OF FASCIST GENERALS, ADMIRALS, POLITICIANS AND PARTY BOSSES WHO ARE IMPRISONED THERE.

Re: Foreign Defense Plans - Italy

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IT WAS LARGELY DUE TO THE TIMELY ARRIVAL OF A CONTINGENT OF TROOPS
THAT THE JAIL DOORS, WHICH WERE INSECURELY DEFENDED BY A FEW CARABINERI
WERE NOT FORCED.

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