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Doctor ARISTIDE MANOPULO, Central Bureau, Criminal Division, Italian National Police, Rome, Italy, advised on 8/13/63 that the Italian press reported the arrest and subsequent conviction in the United States of VITO GENOVESE, born 11/21/1897, Tufino, Naples, Italy. (X)(u)

Doctor MANOPULO stated the Italian police would be most anxious to learn the details surrounding the arrest and subsequent conviction of GENOVESE, particularly if any Italian citizens were involved in criminal activities with GENOVESE. (X)(u)

The above request undoubtedly emanates from the extreme interest evinced by the Italian police in the recent disclosures made by JOSEPH VALACHI concerning "La Cosa Nostra" and their desire to establish any possible connection with the Mafia in the United States and the Mafia in Italy. As the Bureau is aware, an Italian Parliamentary Anti-Mafia Commission is presently making a study of the Mafia in Italy and Italian police have greatly intensified their activity against the Mafia, particularly in Palermo, Sicily. (X)(u)

As a co-operative measure with Doctor MANOPULO, our most co-operative and productive contact in criminal matters, the Bureau is requested to furnish any information available concerning GENOVESE'S arrest, subsequent conviction, and possible involvement of Italian citizens with GENOVESE, which can be disseminated to Doctor MANOPULO. (X)(u)

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