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1. The Emilia-Romagna Regional Federation is presently directed by Antonio Roasio, whose headquarters are in Bologna.
2. Arturo Colombi has been transferred from this Emilia-Romagna Regional Federation to that of Lombardy with headquarters in Milan.
3. Agostino Novella relinquished the direction of the Lombardy Federation and the command of the Milan sector (provincial military organization) to assume the direction of the Central Cadre office in Rome, formerly directed by Antonio Roasio. This office is concerned primarily with espionage activities.
4. Pianezza (fn), labor organizer, of the Federterra, has been assigned to the PCI organization of the city and province of Milan.
5. The Federation and the Apparat in Bologna are in the process of reorganization with the one exception of the office headed by Guglielmo Gottardi wa. Memo. According to a [REDACTED] 25X1X6 Gottardi is responsible for Cominform activities in the entire Emilia-Romagna area.
6. The Novara Sector command has ordered the party activists, Eraldo Gastone and Stefano Schiapparelli, to reorganize the former Garibaldi formations in the city and province of Novara along the lines of the red Squadre d'Azione Partigiana (SAP) (Partisan Action Squads). [REDACTED] 25X1X6 Comment: Eraldo Gastone, wa. Capt. Ciro, was a former major in the Italian Air Force. He was formerly a partisan commander. Stefano Schiapparelli, wa. Willy, is secretary of the Novara Provincial Federation of the PCI.)
7. Two brigades in the city of Novara will be under the command of Ferdinando Zampieri, wa. Angin, former partisan commander and former Communist Questore of Novara. He is also in command of a secret police nucleus which is at the service of the Provincial Federation of Novara and of the local Apparat Sector. This group is made up of trustworthy activists who are former agents of the auxiliary police and former Garibaldi partisans.

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8. The General Inspector of the joint Novara-Vercelli zone is Colonel Raspanti, Communist Municipal councilman of the city of Turin.
9. The cadre office of the Turin PCI Federation and of the Apparat is headed by Dr. Luciano Gruppi, a man of exceptional ability. He was formerly in charge of the propaganda section of the Milan Federation of the PCI. The activist, Remo Rey, nominally heads the Cadre Office as a cover for Dr. Gruppi, who allegedly has received an important intelligence assignment from the Italian section of the Cominform.
10. Colonel Raspanti has been assigned as General Inspector and Supervisor of the Alexandria-Asti Sector. The Sector headquarters of the joint zone is in the PCI Headquarters of Casale Monferrato. The sector command has been recently reorganized into the following four offices:
 - a. Operations Office
 - b. Recruiting Office
 - c. Armaments Office
 - d. Information Office (Cadre Office)
11. The task of recruiting elements for the Apparat forces and the reorganization of former partisan units, has been assigned to Arrigo Boldrini, wa. Bulow, and to Francesco Scotti. Scotti was formerly in command of the Milan Apparat Sector. He is particularly known for his activities during the Spanish Civil War in which he was political commissar of the International Brigades and a member of the Militia Extraordinary Tribunal.
12. Edoardo D'Onofrio has been assigned to the Cadre Organization of the PCI Central Committee.
13. Renato Miele wa. Meryyl was transferred from the directorship of the Milan 1'Unità to the PCI Central Directorate in charge of propaganda.
14. Davide Lajolo wa. Ulisse was promoted from vice-director to director of the Milan 1'Unità.

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