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Casa Nuova,
Civitella,
Arezzo.

25 Jan. 45.

STATEMENT OF:-

GUALDANI Alzelia,
Casa Nuova,
Civitella,
Arezzo.

Female
Aged 47 years.

Who Saith,

I am the widow of GUALDANI Natale aged 47 years, a farmer. We had been married for twenty years and had lived at this address all our married lives.

About 0600 hrs., on the 29 June 1944, I left home to attend mass at the church S.M. ASSUNTA, CIVITELLA. Before I left home I spoke to my husband. He was then in good health. That was the last time I saw him alive.

During mass we heard shooting outside the church and then two German soldiers came into the church and ordered us outside. These Germans were dressed in camouflaged smocks, steel helmets and carried pistols and rifles.

When I got outside the church I saw many Germans in the PIAZZA and saw some of them lying behind machine guns which were pointing at the church. I became frightened and made my way to my home as quickly as possible.

On my arrival there I found the house empty and although I searched I could not find any member of my family.

About 1900 hrs., the same day I spoke to my daughter, GUALDANI Lidia, and in consequence of what she told me I went to the bridge near my house. I there saw the dead body of my husband lying on the ground among about seventeen other dead bodies. My husband had a bullet wound in his chest near his heart.

My husband's body was carried to CIVITELLA cemetery in a German lorry driven by two German soldiers on Friday 20th. June 1944. With my husband's body on the lorry were fifteen of the other bodies. Neither these two German soldiers nor the lorry bore any distinguishing marks.

My husband was buried in CIVITELLA cemetery on Saturday 1st. July 1944. He was not a Partisan and had never assisted them in any way.

I have read over this statement. It is true and correct. I herewith append my signature.

(Sgd) GUALDANI Alzelia.

Statement written down in Italian and signature witnessed by Alberto MUSICARO, interpreter, in the presence of Sgt. CHARLES both of 78 Section S.I.B. on 25 Jan. 45. at CIVITELLA, AREZZO.

I certify that the above translation from Italian is correct and true to the best of my ability.

Musicaro Alberto
(Sgd) Alberto MUSICARO.