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Civitella,  
Arezzo.

20 November, 1944.

STATEMENT OF :-

FATTORI Anna,  
Civitella,  
Arezzo.

Female  
47 years.

Who saith,

I am the widow of FATTORI Santi who was killed on 29 June, 1944. He was a labourer aged 51 years and we had both lived in CIVITELLA for the past seventeen years.

On 18 June, 1944, about 2100 hours we heard people talking in the street and on enquiring the cause were told that some Germans had been killed in the DOPOLAVORO CLUB, CIVITELLA. We were afraid that some reprisals might be carried out, so about 0100 hours next day we went to stay at a farm about two kilometres from CIVITELLA.

Everything remained quiet so after a stay of eight days, we returned to our home.

About 0600 hours on Thursday 29 June, 1944, my husband left the house to go to his work at a quarry about half a kilometre from CIVITELLA, whilst shortly afterwards I also left home to attend a service at the church of S. MARIA ASSUNTA.

Towards the end of this service at about 0730 hours I heard the sound of shooting outside the church and I went out because I understood from people in church that the Germans had given orders that we were to leave the church.

Outside in the Piazza, I saw about twenty Germans with machine guns in position facing the church.

These Germans were dressed in camouflaged smocks, steel helmets, long trousers and carried rifles and pistols. I could see many houses on fire in the town.

I tried to make my way home but was prevented by the German soldiers who shouted at us to go away.

I made my way through the streets towards the West gate. On my way I saw about eight bodies, all male, laying in the street but I could not identify them. I also saw the body of a woman laying just outside the West gate.

I went into the country and stayed at CAPO CONTRO with my daughter and other women who had fled from CIVITELLA.

On Saturday, 30 June, 1944 in consequence of

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what I was told, I went to the church of the MAIONNA.

I there saw the body of my husband FATTORI  
Santi. He had been shot in the back of his head. I can-  
not say how many bullet wounds there were.

With the help of my daughter I made a coffin  
for my husband's body and buried him in CIVITELLA CEMETERY.

My husband was not a Partisan and had never  
assisted the Partisans. He took no active part in any  
political organisation.

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

(Sgd.) FATTORI Anna.

Statement written down in Italian and  
signature witnessed by Pte. DI DUCA Bragia, interpreter,  
in the presence of Sgt. Charles both of 78 Section, S.I.B.  
on Monday 20 November, 1944 at CIVITELLA, AREZZO.

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

DI DUCA Bragia.