

Members of Reggio di Calabria's Christian

Democracy Party at an anti Mafia demonstration

Date

1969-1979

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Christian Democracy (DC) was a Christian democratic political party in Italy. Reggio di Calabria is the biggest city and the most populated comune of Calabria, Southern Italy. In 1963 the first parliamentary commission of inquiry into the Mafia was launched, but it would take 13 years and two more legislatures before a final report was submitted in 1976. In 1972 Cesare Terranova together with PCI deputy Pio La Torre, wrote the minority report of the Commission, which pointed to links between the Mafia and prominent politicians, in particular of the Christian Democrat party (DC - Democrazia Cristiana). The final report was issued at a time when the question of the Mafia was pushed to the background by the political turmoil in the 1970s, known as the years of lead (it: anni di piombo), a period characterized by widespread social conflicts and terrorism acts attributed to far-right and far-left political movements and the secret services.

Dimensions

Overall: 24.4 x 30.7 cm (9 5/8 x 12 1/8 in.)