

Basic Detail Report

A crowd gathers in Piazza del Gesù on the

day of Moro's assassination

Date

1978-1978

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

A crowd gathers in Piazza del Gesù the day of Moro's assassination by the Red Brigades (9 May 1978). The national headquarter of the Christian Democratic Party was in Piazza del Gesù; this picture was taken as people gathered in solidarity with the assassination of Aldo Moro, the leader of the Christian Democracy Party and former Prime Minister of Italy. Aldo Romeo Luigi Moro was an Italian Christian Democratic politician and the 38th Prime Minister of Italy, from 1963 to 1968, and then from 1974 to 1976. He was one of Italy's longest-serving post-war Prime Ministers, holding power for a combined total of more than six years. A leader of Christian Democracy (Democrazia Cristiana, DC), Moro was considered an intellectual and a patient mediator, especially in the internal life of his party. He was kidnapped on 16 March 1978 by the Red Brigades and killed after 55 days of captivity. However, other theories that involve the US strategy of tension and Operation Gladio have emerged since then.

Dimensions

Overall: 20.7 x 30.8 cm (8 1/8 x 12 1/8 in.)