

Basic Detail Report

Giovanni de Lorenzo

Date

1967-1967

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Giovanni de Lorenzo was an Italian General and politician. Sifar head from 1955-62; general commander of the Carabinieri from 1962-66; Army Chief of Staff from 1966-67. He became known for his role in the development of so-called "Piano Solo" - an attempted coup during the emergency state after Aldo Moro's kidnapping. During his rising career within the secret service he introduced a decisive novelty in the hiring of journalists: he started working within the left, penetrating - directly or through his envoys - circles within left journalism which had up to that time possibly remained unsuspected and un-contaminated. In this way journals such as Paese Sera and L'Espresso published his dossier against Aloja (Sifar high ranking official instrumental in the hiring of right wing journalists.). Thus, a new era opened up in the history of spy-journalism.¹ Januzzi, L. EIR Volume 3, Number 40, October 4, 1976

For more information on Giovanni de Lorenzo's time as director of SIFAR (Information Services for the Armed Forces) please see Carlosle, R. 'Encyclopedia of Intelligence and Counterintelligence' (Routledge, 2015): 337

Dimensions

Overall: 30.3 x 20.3 cm (12 x 8 in.)