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PADERNO DUGNANO (MILAN), ITALY.

THE VIEW FROM THE TERRACE OF THE SOCIAL-EDUCATIONAL CENTRE "TAMAN", ONCE PROPERTY OF CRIMINAL BOSS BIAGIO CRISAFULLI AND NOW MANAGED BY THE SOCIAL COOPERATIVE "DUE PUNTI E A CAPO". THE COOPERATIVE TAKES CARE OF THE WELLBEING OF A GROUP OF DISABLED PEOPLE AND THEIR RELATIVES.

ITALY – HOW THE GOODS CONFISCATED TO THE MAFIAS COME BACK TO THE CIVIL SOCIETY

“WE RUN THIS PLACE, WORK THIS LAND, BUT WE DO NOT OWN IT. THE CIVIL SOCIETY OWNS IT”.

PIETRO FRAGASSO, PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIAL COOPERATIVE PIETRA DI SCARTO OF CERIGNOLA, IN THE APULIA REGION, IS A KIND, WARM PERSON. HIS GLANCE BECOMES REALLY SERIOUS WHEN HE TALKS ABOUT GOODS CONFISCATED TO THE ORGANISED CRIME, ANYWAY. HIS COOPERATIVE CULTIVATES OLIVES AND TOMATOES ON A THREE ACRES LAND IN A CONFISCATED AREA, AND MANAGES LIBERA’S RANCH. THE STAFF ALSO ALLOCATED A PORTION OF THE LAND THEY WORK TO URBAN GARDENS, AND SCHEDULES MEETINGS IN SCHOOLS ABOUT LEGALITY: PIETRA DI SCARTO IS AN ACTIVE, POSITIVE PART OF ITS COMMUNITY. THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE MANY SIMILAR ACTIVITIES IN ITALY, SO CONFISCATED GOODS COULD REALLY HAVE A HUGE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL MEANING IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY, BUT DO THEY? ACCORDING TO THE ANBSC (THE ITALIAN AGENCY MANAGING THE GOODS CONFISCATED TO THE ORGANISED CRIME) THE GOODS PERMANENTLY CONFISCATED FROM 1996 ARE MORE THAN 20,000, BUT ONLY HALF OF THEM HAVE BEEN REASSIGNED. THE PROBLEM WITH THE GOODS CONFISCATED BUT NOT YET REASSIGNED IS THEY MAY TAKE YEARS TO COME TO ATTENTION, AS THE BUREAUCRACY TEND TO FORGET THOSE GOODS ARE AVAILABLE AND DON’T ACTIVATE THE PROCEDURES TO ASSIGN THEM. THIS WAY IT TAKES AGES TO HAVE THE GOODS ACTUALLY AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITIES. “IF YOU WANT TO FIND THE MAFIA, FOLLOW THE MONEY”, USED TO SAY GIOVANNI FALCONE, AND THAT’S PROBABLY WHY LOMBARDY IS ONE OF THE REGION WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CONFISCATED GOODS (OVER 1,000): A CLEAR SIGN OF THE WIDESPREAD EXTENSION OF ORGANISED CRIME IN ITALY. CONFISCATED GOODS MUST RETURN TO THE COMMUNITIES, ALL THE ITALIAN ADMINISTRATORS SAY: THESE PLACES ARE OUR OWN, AND WE NEED TO SENSITISE PEOPLE AND SHARE THESE RESOURCES. IT’S A WAY TO FACE THE ORGANISED CRIME, IT’S A WAY TO CHANGE THE TERRITORY.



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CERIGNOLA (FOGGIA) ITALY.
MEMBERS OF THE SOCIAL COOPERATIVE "PIETRA DI SCARTO", PRODUCING OLIVE OIL
FROM OLIVES CULTIVATED ON THE LAND CONFISCATED TO THE BOSS ROSARIO GIORDANO.
THEY ARE IN FRONT OF THE MURALS ADORNING THE FORMER WAREHOUSE CALLED "THE BUNKER".

BATTIPAGLIA (SALERNO), ITALY.
MASSIMO POSING IN FRONT OF THE LOGO OF CAFÈ 21 MARZO,
FORMERLY A PROPERTY OF MEMBER OF THE CAMORRA ANTONIO CAMPIONE.
AFTER SERVING A TERM OF 16 YEARS OF IMPRISONMENT,
MASSIMO FOUND IN A REINTEGRATION PROJECT OF THE ASSOCIATION
"P'O BEN R'O PAES" A WAY TO SERVE THE LAST PART OF HIS DETENTION
IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY.





RESCALDINA (MILAN), ITALY.
NOEMI, WAITRESS AT THE RESTAURANT "LA TELA" SERVING AT TABLES.
DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE MAY FIND AN EASIER WAY TO THE WORK WORLD
IN THIS PROPERTY CONFISCATED TO THE ORGANISED CRIME,
THE FIRST CASE IN ITALY OF A RESTAURANT CONFISCATED AND RE-BORN IN THE WORLD OF FAIR AND SOLIDAL RESTORATION.

ROME, ITALY. DAVIDE BAGALÀ, CHEF OF THE GRAND HOTEL GIANICOLO.
NOW IN THE MICHELIN GUIDE THANKS TO HIS DEDICATION,
THE HOTEL WAS ONCE A BASE FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING.





CASTELVETRANO (TRAPANI), ITALY.
THE HYPERMARKET INSIDE THE SHOPPING CENTRE BELICITTÀ, CONFISCATED TO THE MAFIA IN 2007
AND NOW MANAGED BY THE ANBSC (THE ITALIAN AGENCY MANAGING THE GOODS CONFISCATED
TO THE ORGANISED CRIME) THROUGH ITS COMPANY UNO 6.



SAN SEBASTIANO DA PO (TURIN), ITALY.
MATTEO, ONE OF THE PERSONS IN CHARGE OF CASCINA CACCIA, PREPARING A DINNER FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF SETTIMO TORINESE.
OFFERING THE PROPERTY TO HOST EVENTS IS ONE OF THE WAYS CASCINA CACCIA ACTS TO SUSTAIN THE MANY ACTIVITIES IT CARRIES ON.



SAN SEBASTIANO DA PO (TURIN), ITALY.
MATTEO, ONE OF THE PERSONS IN CHARGE OF CASCINA CACCIA, CHECKING HIS QUEEN BEES.
THEIR HONEY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT OBTAINED IN NORTH ITALY
BY LIBERA TERRA FROM LANDS CONFISCATED TO THE VARIOUS MAFIAS.



TRAPANI, ITALY. GIACOMO MESSINA,
THE PRESIDENT OF THE COOPERATIVE "CALCESTRUZZI ERICINA LIBERA",
MEETING SOME STUDENTS OF THE LUISS UNIVERSITY.
HE MANAGES THE ESTABLISHMENT ONCE OWNED BY MAFIA BOSS VINCENZO VIRGA.



PALERMO, ITALY.
THE RECEPTION OF THE SAN PAOLO PALACE, A MODEL OF PRODUCTIVE MANAGEMENT
AFTER BEING UNTIL YEAR 2000 A PROPERTY OF BUILDER GIOVANNI IENNA,
A PERSON QUITE NEAR THE BRANCACCIO BOSSES GIUSEPPE AND FILIPPO GRAVIANO.



BATTIPAGLIA (SALERNO), ITALY.
NOEMI DE SIMONE DURING HER PERFORMANCE FOR A MUSIC FEST AGAINST THE MAFIAS AT THE CAFÈ 21 MARZO.
THE CAFÈ WAS ONCE A PROPERTY OF THE BATTIPAGLIA CITIZEN ANTONIO CAMPIONE, CONDEMNED FOR MONEY LAUNDERING ACTIVITIES AND CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY.



GARBAGNATE MILANESE (MILAN), ITALY. THE EXTERIOR OF THE "BOTTEGA DEL GRILLO", A SHOP OF THE FAIR AND SOLIDAL NETWORK ONCE KNOWN AS THE BAR "DELLA ROSETTA", AN ORGANISED CRIME MEETING POINT. IT WAS CONFISCATED TO THE COSA NOSTRA CLAN OF GERLANDO ALBERTI IN DECEMBER 2008, AND MANAGED BY THE COOPERATIVE "IL GRILLO PARLANTE" FROM THE VERY SAME MONTH.



CASTELVETRANO (TRAPANI), ITALY.
SALVATORE PIRRELLO, MANAGER OF THE BELICITTÀ SHOPPING CENTRE.
CONFISCATED TO THE MAFIA IN 2007, THE CENTRE IS NOW MANAGED BY THE ANBSC (THE ITALIAN AGENCY
MANAGING THE GOODS CONFISCATED TO THE ORGANISED CRIME) THROUGH ITS COMPANY UNO G.

PALERMO, ITALY.

THE VIEW FROM THE TERRACE OF THE RESTAURANT OF THE SAN PAOLO PALACE HOTEL, CONFISCATED DURING 2000.

IT WAS A PROPERTY OF BUILDER GIOVANNI IENNA, A PERSON QUITE NEAR THE BRANCACCIO BOSSES GIUSEPPE AND FILIPPO GRAVIANO.

THIS HOTEL IS CONSIDERED A MODEL AMONG THE CONFISCATED GOODS BY THE ANBSC (THE ITALIAN AGENCY MANAGING THE GOODS CONFISCATED TO THE ORGANISED CRIME), AS IT NOW RUNS UNDER A FISCAL VIRTUOUS MANAGEMENT.



CASTEL VOLTURNO (CASERTA), ITALY.
ANTONELLA TRANSPORTING SOME MOZZARELLAS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
SOCIAL COOPERATIVE "LE TERRE DI DON PEPPE DIANA", A FORMER STABLE CONFISCATED
TO THE CAMORRA AS IT WAS USED TO COVER CONTRABAND ACTIVITIES WITH COSA NOSTRA.





PALERMO, ITALY.

THE SAN PAOLO PALACE, CONFISCATED DURING 2000. IT WAS A PROPERTY OF GIOVANNI IENNA, A PERSON QUITE NEAR THE BRANCACCIO BOSSES GIUSEPPE AND FILIPPO GRAVIANO. IT'S CONSIDERED A MODEL AMONG THE CONFISCATED GOODS BY THE ANBSC (THE ITALIAN AGENCY MANAGING THE GOODS CONFISCATED TO THE ORGANISED CRIME), AS ITS NOWADAYS MANAGEMENT FINALLY LED TO A PROFIT.

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CERIGNOLA (FOGGIA), ITALY.
VITO, ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIAL COOPERATIVE "PIETRA DI SCARTO"
THAT PRODUCES THE OLIVE OIL "BELLA DI CERIGNOLA" ON LANDS FORMERLY CONTROLLED BY ORGANISED CRIME.





PADERNO DUGNANO (MILAN), ITALY.
HOSTS AND OPERATORS OF THE SOCIAL-EDUCATIONAL CENTRE "TAMAN",
HOSTED IN A FLAT USED BY THE ORGANISED CRIME UNTIL 1999.
FROM LEFT: MANUEL, STEFANO, GIADA, DANIELE, IRENE, SILVIA AND GIORGIO.

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