



# The 185th RRAO "Folgore" Visits the Historical Sites of Operation Herring

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On a day filled with history and memory, a delegation from the [185th Paratroopers Reconnaissance Target Acquisition Regiment "Folgore"](#), led by Colonel Marco Margutti, embarked on a significant journey through the key sites of Operation "Herring", a particularly emblematic episode in the Italian participation in World War II. The infiltration and sabotage action was carried out from the night of April 20 to April 23, 1945, by allied and co-belligerent forces in northern Italy, south of the Po River, then in the territory of the Italian Social Republic.

The visit began at the World War II museum located in Felonica, on the banks of the Po River. Here, the regiment had the opportunity to immerse themselves in history through the numerous historical artifacts recovered in the area, silent witnesses to the events that unfolded in that territory.

Continuing their journey of memory and recognition, the paratroopers headed to Dragoncello di Poggio Rusco, where they were welcomed by Mayor Fabio Zacchi and members of the [National Association of Italian Paratroopers \(ANPDI\) local section](#). A highlight of the visit was the minute

of silence observed at the Dragoncello war memorial, in honor of the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for the country.

The final stop of the tour brought the regiment to Cà Bruciata, the scene of one of the most intense clashes where twelve paratroopers lost their lives.

The visit of the 185th Paratroopers Reconnaissance Target Acquisition Regiment "Folgore" to the sites of Operation Herring was not only a tribute to the fallen but also an opportunity to strengthen the bond between the new generations of soldiers and the history of their country, a bridge between past and present that keeps memory alive and teaches the values of courage, sacrifice, and patriotism.

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