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ITALIANO BRAVA GENTE

Italy

Source: Embassy Pictures. **Production:** Lionello Santi.

Direction: Giuseppe De Santis. **Photography:** Antonio Secchi.

Script: Ennio De Concini, Augusto Frassinetti, Giandomenico Giagni, Serghei Smirnov, Giuseppe De Santis. **Music:** Armando Trovaioli.

Leading Players: Arthur Kennedy, Peter Falk, Tatyana Samoilova, Shanna Prokhorenko, Raffaele Pisu, Nino Vingelli.

A panoramic view of Italians and Russians on the Ukrainian frontier in 1942. The story follows the adventures of a young Italian private and a sergeant whose troop train is halted by Russian saboteurs; then the Italians find themselves surrounded by partisan forces and gradually, are driven into retreat.

De Santis' handling of the story brings attention to the motives and characteristics of several major figures including a Russian peasant girl in flight from the Italians, an embittered Fascist Major; an anti-militarist medical officer and a Russian girl in love with a German soldier. The film is an epic plea for peace and understanding between nations by one of Italy's veteran cinema directors.