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By Niccolo Machiavelli (1469-1527)

*History of Florence and of the Affairs of Italy* is an historical account by Niccolò Machiavelli. Toward the end of 1520, the Cardinal Giulio of Medici, later Pope Clement VII, offered Machiavelli the appointment to write a history of Florence. Although Machiavelli was reluctant to accept, accepting was his only way to regain the good graces of the Medici who had regained power and were in a position to offer him employment and protection. Doing the history also provided a way for Machiavelli's views to become the "official" history of Florentine and Italian affairs. Once completed, the work was presented officially to Giulio, now Pope, in May of 1526. (Summary adapted from Wikipedia by Karen Merline.)

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