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SOVIET EXPLOITATION OF SATELLITES; OPPRESSIVE MEASURES

SATELLITE PORTS, SHIPS USED FOR SOVIET ACTIVITIES -- Istanbul, Vatan, 18 Mar 53

Belgrade, 17 March -- According to reports received in Belgrade, Albanian ports have been converted into bases for Soviet smuggling activities in the Mediterranean. In recent days, especially, there has been much ship movement between Albania and the USSR. Soviet or Satellite ships are taking on loads not only of locally manufactured and raw products such as copper, chrome, and oil, but also manufactured goods imported into Albania from the West. For example, recently the Rumanian ship Berezina carried to the USSR more than 800 tons of automobile spare parts and various types of military equipment, while a Bulgarian ship carried about 60 military trucks and various machinery spare parts. It is believed that this material was purchased in Western countries by Soviet agents.

BULGARIÁN CHURCH ACTIVITIES HINDERED BY COMMUNIST MEASURES -- Athens, Ekklisia,

According to the Ekklisiastikai Eidiseis (Ecclesiasticl News) /publication unidentified of the Russian Orthodox Church of Germany, the Bulgarian Orthodox Church lacks leadership, since many of its Metropolitans and priests have been arrested. At the same time, the activities of the clergy, the theological seminary, and the theological and religious programs are being controlled by the Bulgarian government. The practice of philanthropy is also forbidden and the Federation of Clergymen is headed by a Communist priest Kiril, Metropolitan of Plovdiy.

RESTRICTIONS FLACED ON ELECTRIC CONSUMPTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA -- Athens, Le Messager d'Athenes, 28 Mar 53

Czech authorities have imposed new restrictions on the consumption of electricity. Conforming to the latest measures, the consumption of electricity is fixed according to the nature and area of each locality. Thus, the maximum

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consumption permitted in private apartments, offices, and railroad station restaurants is 4 watts per 2 cubic meters /no period specified/; in other restaurants and cafes, 3 watts; and in motion-picture houses and concert halls, 2 watts. Those who exceed their limit pay large fines and risk having their electricity cut off. These measures were brought about by the worsening economic situation and by the decreasing coal production, as a result of, according to official propaganda, "imperialistic activities in the mines."

RUMANIAN PROVINCE TO BECOME SOVIET COLONY -- Istanbul, Cumhuriyet, 14 Apr 53

Vienna, 13 April (Nafen) -- The Soviets have taken measures to make a "little Russia" out of Dobruja. The Rumanian government is reported to have prepared a plan providing for the expulsion of all Germans in Rumania; then, Rumanians from Dobruja will be settled in their places, while colonies from the USSR will be settled in Dobruja.

RUMANIAN RESIDENTIAL SECTIONS EVACUATED -- Athens, Le Messager d'Athenes, 26 Mar 53

The houses in the areas around Bonaparte Park and Filipescu Park in Bucharest have been completely evacuated by their owners or residents. The families of Soviet employees are now quartered there.

ORTHODOX PRIESTS FINED BY RUMANIAN GOVERNMENT -- Athens, Ekklisia, 15 Jan 53

According to Ekklisis tikai Eidiseis, a publication of the Russian Orthodox Church of Germany, 2,150 Rumanian Orthodox Priests were fined by the Rumanian government because, in reading the Patriarchate's circular to the Rumanian people, they omitted certain sections.

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