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1. Dr. Vladko Macek, exiled leader of the Croatian Peasant Party now in Paris, has been active during the past month in attempting to organize the various Eastern and Southeastern European Peasant Parties into an opposition group. For this purpose he has been in exploratory contact with certain Peasant Party leaders abroad and in their native countries.
2. Information has now been received that the text of a draft declaration of a Peasant Party Opposition group has been prepared by Macek and is currently being sent by him to Ferenc Nagy, Prime Minister of Hungary and leader of the Small Holders Party; Georgi M. Dimitrov of the Bulgarian Agrarian Party, now in exile in Washington; Milan Gavrilovich, leader of the Serb Agrarian Party now in London; Dragoljub Jovanovich of the Serb National Peasant Party; Iuliu Maniu leader of the Rumanian National Peasant Party; and Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, head of the Polish Peasant Party.

3. The draft declaration states:

The undersigned representatives of the Peasant Parties of Eastern and Southeastern Europe consider it necessary that they declare now their accord on the following principles:

- (a) The Peasant Parties form the most important political force in Eastern Europe, representing more than 50,000,000 free political votes.
- (b) Rejecting the material ideology of communism, the Peasant Parties base their hope in the future on Christian ethics and family life.
- (c) Individual liberty and peasant lands represent the basis of social political force. Therefore they reject especially enforced collectivization or cooperatives.

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- (d) They reject the idea of "New Democracy" sponsored by the Communist Parties and representing a new form of dictatorship and the destruction of political liberties.
- (e) They appeal to all other democratic parties to join in this declaration while awaiting the common struggle for democratic liberties.
- (f) In accordance with this declaration, the decision has been taken for the closest cooperation among the said parties to pursue political action in order to realize the above principles.

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