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25X1 The Hungarian emigration at present consists principally of refugees and displaced persons in Austria and Germany and the dissident diplomats in Western Europe. The various factions among the Hungarians abroad might be characterized as follows:

- The Legitimists
- The Horthy Group
- The Christian National League
- The Former Arrow Crossists
- The Dissident Diplomats

1. The Legitimists

The ultimate goal of this monarchist group is the restoration of the boundaries of the "Kingdom of Saint Stephen". Somewhat more modest are their aims for a Danubian Federation or a confederation embracing Hungary, Austria, Slovakia and Croatia under a monarch. Also acceptable is the idea of a Hungarian kingdom based on the British pattern.

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The supporting elements of the Legitimists in Hungary are the high clergy of the Catholic Church, the aristocracy, the People's Democratic Party (Palfy wing), and certain elements of the Hungarian Liberty Party. Legitimist sentiments prevail also among the majority of the Catholic peasants of Transdanubia. Abroad, support comes from

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high ranking military circles and certain Hungarian emigre groups in Austria, Germany, Italy and the United States led by Catholic priests. The opposing elements are the Leftist political parties, the Small Holders Party, the working class in general, and most of the former officers of the Hungarian Army.

The leading personalities in emigration and contacts of the Legitimists are reported to be as follows:

- Balla, Boris former Press Attache (Paris) now in New York
- Binder, Karoly former Consul General (Paris)
- Bobrik, Arno former Minister to Vichy, France
- Domotor (Demeter) Father a Franciscan monk, editor of the Hungarian

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Nylsztor, Ferenc, Monsignor
Tárcz, Sándor

publicist and correspondent (Rome)
editor of the monthly magazine Kronika
(New York)

Contacts in Hungary:

Mindszenty, József
Pallavicini, György
Parraghy, Attila
Schlachta, Margit

Cardinal, Prince Primate of Hungary
Count, Legitimist leader in Hungary
Member of Parliament
Member of Parliament

Contacts abroad:

Baudrillart, Cardinal
De Gaulle, General
Elisabeth, Queen Mother of Belgium
Spellman, Francis Cardinal
Zita, Queen Mother of Hungary

Paris
Paris
Brussels
New York
Brussels

2. The Horthy Group

The program of this group is to bring about the restoration of the former Horthy regime and possible perpetuation of the Horthy "Dynasty" through the ex-Regent's ten year old grandson, now a refugee in Germany.

The supporting elements of this group include high ranking officers of the former Hungarian Army; the upper middle class; and the so-called "Horthy aristocracy" who held office during his regime. The supporting elements abroad are personal friends of the former Regent among Allied diplomats.

The opposing elements in Hungary include much of the middle and lower classes, the Leftist political parties, the Legitimists, and former junior officers of the Hungarian Army who resent the fact that Horthy, despite his traditional anti-Communist policy, was attempting to save his regime by conducting secret armistice negotiations with the Soviets.

Leading personalities in emigration and contacts of the Horthy group are:

Henyei, Gustáv Lt. General

former Foreign Minister, now a DP in Munich

Hlatky, Endre
Hollan, Sándor

former Chief of Press (Rome)
former Charge d'Affaires Madrid
(Mexico City)

Horthy, Miklós Jr.
Kállay, Kristóf

former Minister to Brazil (Rome)
former Legation secretary (Capri and Rome)

Kállay, Miklós

former Premier (Capri)

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Kalnoko-Bedo, Albert

Kaply, Karoly
 Keresztes-Fischer, Ferenc

Luttor, Ferenc Monsignor
 Muzsly, Istvan
 Oltványi, Arnold Colonel
 Puy, Jenő Colonel

Onody, Béla
 Rakolczay, László Colonel
 Schell, Péter Baron

former Counsellor in Prime Ministry
 (Como)

former Legation employee (Milan)
 former Minister of Interior, now a
 DP in Austria

former envoy to the Vatican (Rome)
 former Member of Parliament (Milan)
 former Military Attache (Milan)
 former Military Attache in Bellagio
 (Rome)

secretary to Miklos Horthy, Jr. (Rome)
 former Military Attache (Lugano)
 former Minister of Interior, now an
 UNRRA employee in Milan

Contacts in Hungary:

Almássy, Pál General

Lukács, Béla
 Ravasz, László
 Veress, Lajos Lt. Colonel

former Department head in Ministry
 of War

former chairman of the Government Party
 Calvinist Bishop in Budapest
 Horthy's deputy in Hungary

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3. The Christian National League

This League, founded in 1920 by Karoly Woeff, originally supported Horthy. In 1938, however, under the leadership of László Bárdossy, the League advocated radical social reforms and opposed the conservative Kállay-Horthy regime and adopted an anti-Communist policy which was both pro-German and anti-Semitic. After the execution of Bárdossy in 1946, the League remained without a leader.

The platform of the League is to establish a nationalistic, anti-Communist state in Hungary based on "democratic" principles, but with a strong central executive power. Although there are some pro-Hapsburg and pro-Horthy elements in its membership the League follows an independent policy.

Its supporters in Hungary are former members of the League, former junior officers of the Hungarian Army, the middle class, the peasants, and among the workers, those who were members of the Christian Socialist Party. Abroad, those who back the League are said to be certain Allied military circles in Austria and Germany, Vatican officials, certain Poles and Yugoslavs in exile; and the majority of the Hungarian DP's in Austria, Germany and Italy.

This League is opposed in Hungary by all political parties represented in Parliament, and abroad by the Leftist emigre groups and certain of the dissident diplomats.

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The leading personalities in emigration are as follows:

Balla, Pal	former section chief in the Prime Ministry (DP in Austria)
Bonczos, Miklós	former Minister of Interior (DP Ebbs, Tyrol)
Deák-Horvath, Denes Colonel	businessman (Milan)
Essoe, Sándor	former Member of Parliament (DP in Bavaria)
Gombár, András	Foreign Trade Office representative Rio de Janeiro; son-in-law of former Premier Bardoassy
Hajós, Jenő	former press attache, Madrid
Krudy, Ferenc	former deputy speaker of Parliament (Rome)
Linder, Béla	former Minister of War, Member of Parliament; (in exile in Austria)
Marjay, Frigyes	former Cultural Attache, Lisbon
Miklós, Father	Franciscan monk (Milan)
Morvay, Zsigmond	former Press Attache in Stockholm (DP Austria)
Nadas, Lajos Colonel	former Commercial Attache in Stockholm (Stockholm)
Nagy, Jenő	former Member of Parliament (Bolzano, Italy)
Stomfai-Stitz, János	former Press Attache, Lisbon
Tamas, András	former Charge d'Affaires, Lisbon
Ujvátery, Elemer	former envoy to Stockholm (Istanbul)
Ullein-Reviczky, Antal	journalist, formerly in Innsbruck, reported in Rome
Vajta, Ferenc	Member of Parliament, with Béla Linder to Austria in 1946.
Veer, Tibor	Member of Parliament (Paris)
Vértessy, Károly	former Press Department Chief (DP Ebbs, Tyrol)
Zilahi-Sebes, Jenő	

4. The Former Arrow Crossists

The members of this group still believe in the Fuehrer principle, and want a strong Rightist Hungary. For the time being this group supports all nationalist anti-Communist elements in Hungary and abroad, and its members are willing to make any political concessions to facilitate a political change to the Right in Hungary.

The supporting elements include former Arrow Cross Party members, now enrolled in the various political parties, both Right and Left. Although the group has no special underground organization, it is believed that it participates in such movements anonymously.

The movement's supporting elements abroad are described as neo-fascist organizations such as the Uomo Qualunque Party in Italy; certain French military circles in Austria; the Franco regime in Spain; former party members now living in Austria and Germany (chiefly junior Hungarian Army officers), and members of the former Hungarian gendarmerie.

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The leading personalities in emigration are:

Andreaszky, Jenő	former Vice Premier under Szalasi (DP in Salzburg)
Csonka, Elemér	journalist (Padua)
Gombos, Erno	former aide-de-camp to Szalasi (UP Austria)
Kessler, Istvan	former secretary in the Ministry of Commerce (UNRRA employee in Milan)
Kocsárd, Mano	former Prefect of Szombathely (DP Austria)
Kovách, Ernő Dr.	Como, Italy
Szabo, László General	former envoy to Mussolini (Buenos Aires)

5. The Dissident Diplomats

Although this group, composed mainly of diplomats and former politicians, has no organized support from the Hungarian people, its influence is felt whenever Hungarian foreign policy is shaped. This is because of the group's widespread contacts in Allied diplomatic and press circles. The group's program is close collaboration with the Western Powers, elimination of the Soviet influence in Hungary, and the rehabilitation of the country through the aid of the Western Powers.

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Although it is made up of conservative elements, the group did not adopt any clear cut policy against Communism or the Soviet support of Hungarian regime until it is said, the regime refused to accept the services of its members abroad.

Leading personalities in emigration and contacts are:

Apor, Gábor Baron	former envoy to the Vatican (Rome)
Bakách-Bessenyei, György Baron	former envoy to Berne, Dean of the Committee
Barcza, György	former envoy to London (Geneva)
Bartheldy, Tibor	former Consul General (Geneva)
Csospey, Denes	former Chef-de-Cabinet in the Foreign office (Milan)
Ebele, Egon Baron	former Consul General (Milan)
Cellért, Andras	former consul in Vienna, Stockholm, and Berlin (Paris)
Huszka, Istvan	former Press Attache to the Quirinal (Rome)
Miskolczy	former Commercial Attache, (Milan)
Páll, Antal	former Cultural Attache (Milan)
Pallavicini, Hubert	former Legation Secretary Zagreb (Rome)
Perczel, Tamas	former Legation Secretary (Rome)
Poka-Pivny, Bela	former representative of the Revisionist League (London)
Samsay, Andor	former envoy (Buenos Aires)
Sóos, Geza	former Counsellor of the Foreign Office (Geneva)
Szabo, Gyula	consular clerk (Milan)

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Teleki, Gyula Count

Legation Counsellor (Montebello, Italy)
former Consul General (Geneva)
Counsellor of the Legation (London)

Yladar, Ervin
Zsilinszky, Antal

Contacts in Hungary: (Budapest)

Deseffy, Gyula Count

Member of Parliament, leader of the Small Holders Party
Department Chief in the Foreign office
Secretary to Foreign Minister
Gyongyosi
Chief of Protocol in the Foreign office

Durugy, Ferenc
Nagy, György

Velics, László

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