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1. Several submarines for the Yugoslav Navy were launched during the first week of June 1948. The component parts of these submarines were produced in Soviet dockyards and assembled at the Tivat and Kraljevica dockyards. This work was carried out by a group of German engineers under Soviet supervision who had been sent to Yugoslavia directly from the Soviet Union. They were assisted by trusted Communist Yugoslav workers.

2. A Soviet Admiral was chief supervisor. He always wore civilian clothes and called himself Kravljenskovsky, but it has been ascertained that his real name is Aleksander Petrovic

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3. The work of assembling the submarines lasted four and a half months, and was carried out day and night. The workers were kept under strict control by UDB agents.

4. The launching of the Yugoslav submarines took place without special ceremony although Marshal Tito was present. The submarines are now deployed in well-protected locations in the neighborhood of Piume and Susak.

5. A total of 12 submarines of various types were launched in June 1948. Six of them are of the German "Sack Unterseeboot" type with a crew of 20 men. The blueprints of these craft were taken by the Soviet authorities from the archives of the German Ministry of Marine. These submarines are equipped with two 100 millimeter guns and several machineguns which can be used also as anti-aircraft guns. There are torpedo tubes with a range of about 20 nautical miles. These submarines have extraordinarily efficient Zeiss Ikon optical apparatus. Similar optical apparatus are now being manufactured in the Soviet Union at a new factory in Leningrad.

6. Four other submarines are also of a German type. They carry a crew of 20 men, and are equipped with two medium-caliber guns and machineguns whose projectiles have exceptional penetrating power. The ammunition for these guns and machineguns are of special manufacture, the head of the shell being of hardened steel. They are about 10 meters in length, and are extremely mobile

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both on the surface and under water.

7. Two submarines are of the "Japansky" type, as they were classified by Soviet naval authorities. The Yugoslavs call them "submarine eagles". They are about six meters in length and very fast, and have torpedoes whose destructive power is very great. Their mobility while navigating under water is exceptional. The motors of these submarines are small but develop great power; they are mounted at the rear of the craft.
8. Most of the newly-launched submarines are currently kept near Brajjeva close to the Novi promontories. They are well-hidden, and access to the base is forbidden to all persons, including naval officers who are not in possession of a special permit issued by the UDB.
9. These submarines have been noticed also in Boka Kotorska, where maneuvers under the supervision of high-ranking officers of the Soviet Navy are carried out. These officers all wear civilian clothes so as not to be too conspicuous among the population. The maneuvers take place only at night.
10. The crews for these submarines are carefully selected from trustworthy war-time Partisan formations. All are Communists, and must have served for at least three years in Partisan units. All members of the crews have attended special courses held at Black Sea ports. They cannot have direct contact with their families; all correspondence is censored by the command of the Yugoslav Navy at Split. Answers to these letters are addressed to Split and must be marked with a number indicated by the naval officials. After being censored, the letters are sent to the sailors by a highly-trusted courier.
11. The commander of this group of new submarines is a young captain of the Yugoslav Navy who has studied in the Soviet Union. Prior to his appointment by the Yugoslav Communist authorities, he was again sent to the Soviet Union for special training with the Soviet Navy. The rank of captain was given him on request of the Soviet naval authorities. His name is unknown, but his cover name is "Vuk". Judging by his accent he may be a Montenegrin.

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