

INFORMATIVE REPORT

COUNTRY Hungary

CONFIDENTIAL

DATE DISTR. 18 October 1948

SUBJECT Hungarian Catholic Movement in Paris; Chairman Father Joseph Kozi-Horvath

NO. OF PAGES 1

PLACE ACQUIRED

CIA LIBRARY

NO. OF ENCLS. (LISTED BELOW)

DATE OF INFO

25X1C

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. 25X1X

1. On 12 September a Hungarian Catholic movement was instituted in Paris under the leadership of the Reverend Joseph Kozi-Horvath. The plan for a Hungarian movement abroad had apparently been under discussion for some time; but it was only the arrival of Baron Apor from Rome which finally brought about the actual establishment of the movement. It is the opinion of many Hungarians abroad that if a Catholic organization could be established "west of the iron curtain", this group might act as a counterbalance to the extremist movement headed by General Ferenc Farkas. Farkas has, in the past, openly boasted of the support of the Vatican. Cardinal Mindszenty in Hungary is expected to approve and he can point to the fact that a movement composed of Hungarian members of his own faith abroad exists.

2. The Reverend Kozi-Horvath, who recently arrived in Paris from Austria, has two peasant deputies and six members of the board of directors as follows:

- Lajos Hajdu-Nemeth
- Balint Czupi
- Reverend Imre Zacsar
- Reverend Jermos Szalley (or Reverend Nemeth)
- Count Palffy
- Boris de Balla

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment: Balla is reported to have obtained a position as professor at LeMoyne College in Syracuse, New York. He is known to have had close contact with Archduke Otto of Habsburg.)

3. There have been divergences of opinion concerning Count Palffy, who, while being a leading figure in Hungarian Catholicism and politically close to the Prince Primate, is open to attack because of the fact that he is divorced. Baron Apor, his cousin, is reported to have stressed to Palffy that the latter refrain from taking a leading role in the movement.

WARNING NOTICE: THIS DISTRIBUTION LISTING MUST BE

CLASSIFICATION

STATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NAVY	NSRB	EXCISE BEFORE PUBLIC RELEASE OF THIS DOCUMENT.
ARMY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AIR		

This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the letter of 16 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States.

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

Document No. 3

NO CHANGE in Class

DECLASSIFIED

Class. CHANGED TO: TS S C

DDA Memo 4 APR 77

Approved For Release 2000/05/16 : CIA-RDP82-00457R00190084-0

Date: 12 MAY 1978 By: 026