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1. Rumors are rife in Slovenia that Marshal Tito is courting opposition leaders at home and abroad. Among these are, reputedly, Ivan Subasic, Milan Grol and Branko Vrcon, who is now serving 20 years imprisonment in Maribor. To date such overtures have been fruitless. It is further rumored that Tito agents abroad are seeking a rapprochement with the Vatican and the Slovone Clerical Party in exile. They are allegedly probing for contacts with leaders in exile, particularly in Gorizia.
2. Professor Edvard Kocbek, a member of the Slovenia Presidium, and his followers are purportedly in touch with the Strazari (police) in Trieste through a priest in Slovenia and Zone B. Bishop Santin is allegedly playing a prominent role in the contact with the Strazari.
3. The Krizari movement is growing in Croatia. The Krizari have deserted Dr. Vladko Macek and through the Croatia clergy are allegedly maintaining contact with the Italian Government.
4. More than one thousand Cominformists were recently arrested in Ljubljana. Of this number, the prominent personages were sent to Belgrade while 200 lesser figures were imprisoned in the castle of Ig.
5. Minister Ivan Regont, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Slovenia was suspected of "Cominformism", and is under "protective custody" of the police, although he is not confined.

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