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- 1. On 7 January 1949 the "Peasants Organization" of the Tudeh Party held a meeting, which was presided over by the Tudeh leader Dr. Mohammad Bahrami and was attended by twenty-three active members of the Party and of the Tudeh Central United Council. Representing the Mazanderan farmers were Hassan Bohluli, from the Chalus District; Ahmad Jahanyar, from the Babol District; Ali Mohammad Motifa, from the Sari District. A few Tudeh landowners, who rarely attend Tudeh meetings, also came to this session.
- 2. The first speech of the meeting was delivered by Chairman Bahrami, who stated that the organization represented the first scientific and useful effort to be exerted on behalf of the farmers who had traditionally constituted the largest class of oppressed people in Iran. In the past any results which had been achieved by the Tudeh to assist and organize the oppressed classes had mainly assisted the laborers, and since the country was primarily agricultural, and since the farmers had not been benefited, Bahrami expressed the desire to organize the farmers and peasants through the "Peasants' Organization" of the Tudeh. He said that the farmers and the laborers might then advance together and achieve their common aims.
- 3. Following the speech of Chairman Bahrami, Hassan Bohluli spoke in behalf of the Mazanderan farmers, who, he declared, were joining the "Peasants' Organization" of the Tudeh.
- 4. Eshbab-Pur (fnu), Provisional Secretary of the Tudeh Peasants' Commission, who is an important landowner in the Tehran area as well as in Mazanderan, announced the inauguration of a new Tudeh publication entitled "People for Farmers (sic)." He said that this publication would be the official organ of the Tudeh "Peasants' Organization", and that it would appear within the next few days. "e urged all comrade farmers to contribute news which could be used in this publication.

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5. According to statements made by Dr. Bahrami, the Tudeh "Peasants' Organization" would hold its first general conference on 20 January 1949. Several meetings were planned prior to this date in order to formulate a program for the general conference, because they believed that all participants should be individuals heretofore not known as Tudeh members.

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