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Central United Council Membership

1. A usually reliable source who is a member of the Tudeh Party union, Central United Council (CUC), reports that membership in the CUC and payment of dues automatically includes all privileges of joining the Tudeh Party proper, e.g., use of Party premises, membership in Tudeh cells, eligibility for membership on Party committees and attendance at Party conferences. Members of the CUC, therefore, are not required to pay dues to the Party.*
2. The Tudeh Party and the CUC were reported to be recalling old membership cards which were to have been replaced by new cards to be issued by 21 March 1949.
3. The attachment to this distribution consists of a translation of the application form which must be completed in duplicate by anyone wishing to join the CUC. According to informant, one copy of the form is held by Tudeh Party headquarters and one copy is retained by the local CUC offices of the applicant.

Tudeh Youth Organization Membership

4. Recruits for the Tudeh Youth Organization are selected on the basis of education, are carefully trained in Communist doctrines, and are given some intelligence and military training.
5. The Director of the Tudeh Youth Organization is Dr. Jawdat (fnu), and the Second Secretary is Engineer Semi'i, from Resht.

Tudeh Party Deviators

6. Informant states that members are dismissed from the Party if they are suspected of anti-Tudeh activity, such as espionage, or if they do not obey Party instructions. Informant believes, however, that the Party apparatus is ineffective in "purging" opposition elements from the ranks.

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Security Section

7. According to informant, some members of the Tudeh Party's Security Section** are armed with small arms, under the leadership of Reza Radmanesh. Members of this Section include:

Ibrahimsadeh (fnu) and Razieh Ibrahimsadeh, his wife;
 Shahbrang Shandermani - trained in an espionage school in the Crimea; has been in Iran since his arrival there with the Red Army in 1941. According to informant, he is a terrorist and in contact with Soviet authorities;
 Akbar Shandermani*** - brother of Shahbrang. Shandermani was also trained in the Crimea and went to Iran with his brother.

Party Propaganda

8. As of January 1949, Party propaganda was distributed more openly than previously, and copies of the following three booklets in Persian were sold in Tehran at bookshops, outside of Party premises, by orange-vendors, lottery ticket-vendors, etc:
- Fundamental Laws of the Union of Socialist Soviet Russia - (printed in the USSR).
 - The Childish Disease of Leftism in Communism - by Lenin (Moscow 1948).
 - The Great Patriotic War of the USSR - by Stalin (Moscow 1944).

Many booklets were sent to Tehran University and schools, for free distribution to the students.

Provincial Organization of the Party

9. Ali Asker Mustafayov****, an Iranian with a Russian passport, who was active in Mazanderan at the time of Jaafar Pishevari and who has been an active Communist for ten years, has arrived in Tehran from Moscow, according to informant, and has brought with him money for the Tudeh Party. According to an unconfirmed report, Mustafayov is an important person and is consulted by the Tudeh Executive Committee on many issues.
10. Since his arrival in Tehran, Mustafayov has issued instructions that ex-political prisoners and those who have lost their jobs as a result of communist activities should assemble at Tudeh Party headquarters in Tehran. On the basis of their records as well as interviews, Mustafayov was to have selected some of them who would go to the larger provincial centers to spread Tudeh doctrines. In addition, they would be charged with creating Executive Committees in all the towns and would act as secretaries of these committees. They would have the rank of Party secretaries and would receive the following salaries: 4,000 rials per month for single men; 6,000 rials per month for married men with families.
11. Informant states that Mustafayov receives his instructions from the Soviet Embassy in Tehran.

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Khuzistan

- 12. According to informant, Mehdi Hashim Najafi and Ali Omid***** are the Khuzistan exiles most trusted by the Tudeh Party Executive Committee.

Tudeh Party International Organization

- 13. Informant reports the existence of an international organization known as the Foreign Relations Office (Dayereh-i-Kharajeh) under the leadership of Engineers Sami'i and Sharmini of the Tudeh Youth Organization. The Foreign Relations Office is an integral part of the Tudeh Youth Organization and communicates with foreign countries by special couriers and certain Tudeh Party members who hold several identity cards in different names.

25X1A6a * [REDACTED] Comment. This information refutes previous Tudeh Party propaganda asserting that the CUC is an independent trade union organization having no connection with the Tudeh Party or any other political party.

25X1A6a ** [REDACTED] Comment. This probably refers to the Party's Information and Security Commission, the security, intelligence, counter-intelligence, and underground body of the Tudeh Party. Reza Rusta, Reza Radmanesh, and Morteza Yazdi are at the head of this Commission.

25X1A6a *** [REDACTED] Comment. Shandermany may be identical with Akbar Shandermeri, who was a member of a five-man Tudeh Party delegation which went to Khuzistan in early May 1948, was active in labor circles of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, and did organizational work for the Tudeh Party in the Persian Gulf area.

25X1A6a **** [REDACTED] Comment. Mustafayov may be identical with a Captain Mustaffaaf (sic), who was reported to be an active Soviet agent among the Kurdish tribes of Azerbaijan in May 1945, when he was supporting the Kurdish independence organization, Komala.

25X1A6a ***** [REDACTED] Comment. In May 1946 it was reported that Ali Omid was a Tudeh agitator in Abadan, Khorrmashahr, and Ahwaz, and allegedly received instructions from the Russian Consulate. According to a previous report from an informant having excellent contacts in the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, Najafi is one of the most important and dangerous Tudeh Party labor agitators in Iran. [REDACTED] 25X1X6

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Attachment

WORKERS OF IRAN UNITED

CENTRAL UNITED COUNCIL

Union of Workers and Toilers

Associated with the World Federation of Trade Unions.

Province.....

Union.....

Place

for

Photograph

I, the undersigned,

Name..... Family name..... Father's name.....

No. of identity card..... issued at..... Date of

birth..... request admittance as a Union member.

Town address.....

Quarter.....

Street.....

Side street.....

No. of house.....

Place and type of work.....

Date.....

Signature.....

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1. Have you ever been a member of a T.U.C. before?
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 2. Have you held any position of responsibility in a
Central T.U.C. or in unions associated with it?
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 3. As a result of your activities in a union attached to a
Central T.U.C. have you ever been imprisoned, exiled, or
dismissed from your work and, if so, how often?
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 4. Have you ever been a member of another union or of a
Government union?
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 5. What was your responsibility in the Government T. U.?
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Are you married?
- How many children have you?.....
- Are you literate?
- Have you any special qualifications?.....
- If so, what is your degree of proficiency?.....
- What is your monthly income?.....

Two Proposers:

Name	Family Name	Card No.	Name of Union	Function in Union	Date of joining Union	Signature.
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1. The application for membership of Mr..... was approved
by the Executive Council Committee of..... Province, on
..... (date).

Provincial Executive Council Committee.

2. The above application was approved by the General Committee
of the Central T.U.C. on..... (date).

General Committee of Central T.U.C.

On..... (date) Card No..... in the name of
Mr..... was issued.

General Organization.

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