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1. Iuliu Maniu, former leader of the Rumanian National Peasant Party, is at present in the Galati Penitentiary (Penitențiarul Galati), location marked by No. 7 on the enclosed sketch of the town of Galați. This sketch is not drawn to scale.

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[REDACTED] who had been in this prison from guards talk of Maniu's presence. [REDACTED] fiancée had been in the prison for a short time in the late spring and early summer of 1949, and she stated upon her release that one day one of the prison charwomen gave her a bundle of laundry to wash and said that it was Maniu's. She further remarked that Maniu's initials appeared on the shirts. A third source said that he knew one of the guards of the prison who had mentioned Maniu's presence therein. All three sources repeated that it was a matter of common knowledge and frequent conversation that Maniu was alive and in the Galați Penitentiary.

- 3. None could say that they had spoken with anyone who had actually seen Maniu.
- 4. It was said that Maniu was guarded in solitary confinement, that he was more or less comfortably installed, that he had books to read, and that he was allowed to walk along in the prison yard at night under surveillance.
- 5. There is no talk of Ion Mihalache or any of the others who were sentenced with Maniu, and conclusion of the three sources was that these others were interned elsewhere.
- 6. Other localities of interest in Galați are noted on attached sketch.

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