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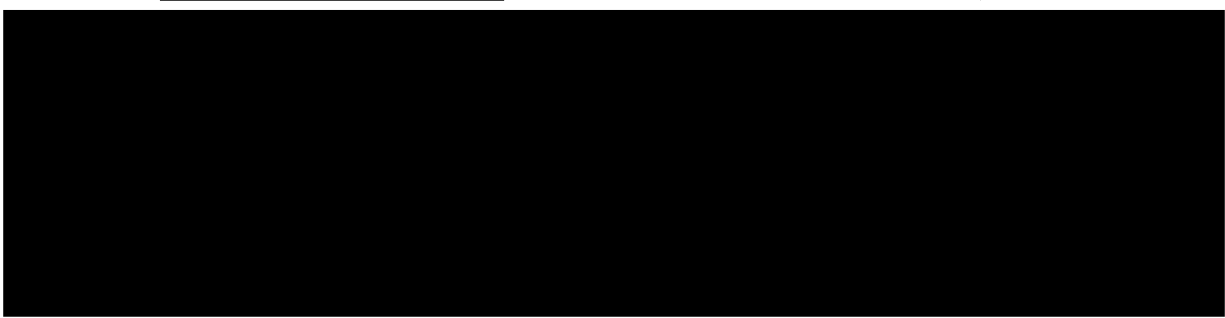
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- 25X1X 1. [redacted] pro-Pavelic activities in the United States have recently suffered a serious reversal. The Franciscan Croats, who publish the newspaper Danica in Chicago and operate the organization called the United Croats, have become disillusioned with Ante Pavelic and are now planning to work towards the union and collaboration of all Croat patriots.
2. It is believed that the Franciscan Croats are confused as to which path to follow since their declaration has been received in a non-conciliatory spirit by pro-Machek newspapers. The reason for such coolness is the attitude on the part of the Croat Peasant Party, which has set itself up as the only legitimate representative of the Croats and considers Machek as the only national political leader. The Franciscan Croats realize that they have failed in their plan to build up Pavelic as the leader of the Croats, since they have encountered resistance from the United States Government and general public opinion. On the other hand, Pavelic has not helped himself to any degree, since he still will not desist from acting as a tyrant and mixing with neo-Fascists and neo-Nazis. The Franciscan Croats have also begun to suspect Pavelic of being an anti-clerical of the Mussolini type.
- 25X1X 3. [redacted] the common error of the Croat rightists is that they cannot see that any national Croat front has to be a coalition of democratic forces and must exclude Pavelic. Except for Machek's party the Croats in the United States have no outstanding leaders who know what they want and what they can do.

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