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- The Ambassador of the Soviet Union to Rumania is the actual leader of the state; all the honors and ceremony due a head of a government are accorded to him. Dr. Constantine I Parhon, the President of the Rumanian Peoples Republic, and the members of the Presidium of the Grand National Assembly are "nothing but simple citizens when the Soviet Ambassador is in their midst." On the occasion of official ceremonies and festivals, it is the Soviet Ambassador who occupies the place of honor; he never takes his place with the Ambassadors of other nations.

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- Soviet diplomats never negotiate in person with the Foreign Ministry; a mere telephone call is sufficient. When it is necessary to secure a visa or identity cards, the Soviet Embassy usually sends a chauffeur to the Foreign Ministry. The Soviet chauffeurs are permitted to enter any office and their requests are fulfilled immediately.

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4. The Soviet Counselors deal only with Ana Pauker, the Foreign Minister. The Soviet First Secretaries deal only with the three Deputy Foreign Ministers [redacted]. It is never necessary for the Soviets to make appointments; they simply arrive and announce themselves and enter through the center door, through which only the members of the Council of Ministers may enter.

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5. Conversely, should the Rumanian Foreign Ministry officials wish to consult the Soviets, they never have the courage to summon a Soviet official to the Foreign Ministry, but request an appointment to be received at the Soviet Embassy.

6. While the Foreign Ministry has "an attitude of servile veneration" toward the Soviet Embassy, its attitude toward other diplomatic missions is quite different. For "friendly diplomats" the attitude is "correct but quite often difficult"; toward the "bandits", "enemies" and "imperialists" (actual terms used inside the Ministry) the attitude is "intransigent and hostile".

[redacted] the Foreign Ministry was carrying out a "diplomacy of the fist" against the imperialists.

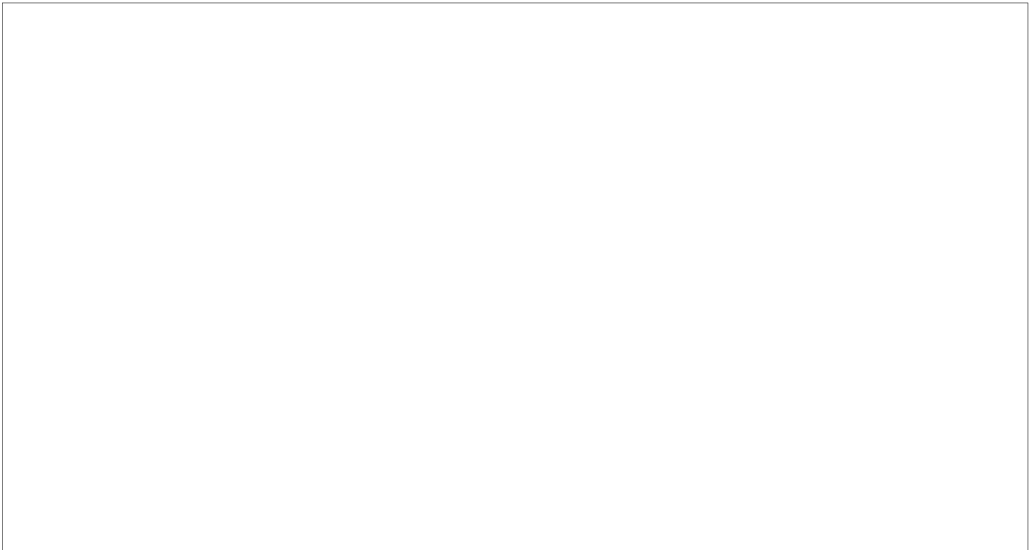
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7. Each member of the Soviet Embassy in Bucharest receives, each month, a travel permit [redacted]

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Even Rumanian citizens do not enjoy such freedom of movement; they are unable to approach the frontiers without a special permit which is difficult to obtain, being issued only to thoroughly screened persons who have legitimate reason to visit the border zone. The security measures on the railroads travelling toward the frontier are rigorous and in all railroad stations within the frontier zone there are Security agents who check each person alighting from the train. Along the Yugoslav border, the security measures are even more extreme and a "cordon sanitaire" has been established in that region.



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1. The progress of Soviet infiltration in, and the resultant "Sovietization" of the Rumanian nation has come a long way. Rumania now finds itself, in the field of economics, at the same stage in which the Soviet Union found itself from 1926 to 1929; the same processes are being applied in the respective fields of industrialization and agricultural collectivization. It is a "somber period in the history of mankind".
In order to efface social strata, everyone is plunged into the deepest misery, and men are reduced to "equality in misery."

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2. The Rumanian people in the past had attained a certain standard of living based on the wealth of the land. This standard of living has now been destroyed; the wealthy have been eliminated at the start, and today the formerly regarded as the poor are considered wealthy. They are being obliged to learn the Russian language, which will soon become the official language in Rumania. There will come the time when there will be no difference between Rumania and the "other side of the Dniester".

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3. Sovietization is evident in the field of culture as well. The Communists have not been able to raise the great mediocrity to the level of culture and consequently the level of culture has been lowered to the level of this great mediocrity.
4. In the field of jurisprudence, Sovietization is most evident. The Rumanian Foreign Ministry, for example, has been adopting in its sphere of activities, the corresponding Soviet legislation. Based on the Soviet pattern, a system has been established with respect to restricted zones, customs regulations and the ODCD (Oficiul Pentru Reservirea Corpului Diplomatic). Currently, the regulation concerning the transportation of diplomatic mail is under discussion and later the Soviet system will be adopted with regard to identity cards.
5. The ODCD mentioned above is under the jurisdiction of the Foreign Ministry. The Ministry supplies the personnel. The Director of the ODCD is a person named Ismailescu who was formerly the First Secretary of the Rumanian Embassy in Moscow. Biro, the Deputy Director of ODCD, was a Deputy Director in the Administrative Section of the Foreign Ministry.
6. In connection with the regulation concerning the transportation of diplomatic mail by foreign diplomatic couriers, the pattern of Sovietization becomes clear. During the past year, the Rumanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been at work on the regulation which has been more or less copied from a corresponding Soviet regulation.

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7. In December 1951, all the employees of the Rumanian Government were required to fill out a questionnaire (Appendix C). The questionnaire was accompanied by the following instructions:

"The questionnaire before you gives the possibility of knowing, exactly, the biographic data of each employee in the State apparatus, together with the activity which has been carried out during the course of his life.

"It is a duty of conscience for each citizen to reply sincerely and honestly to all questions which are contained in this questionnaire.

"To hide from the Agencies of the State, any failings or mistakes committed signifies a transgression of the principles of proletarian morality by which the working people of the RPR are guided.

"On the other hand, to reply sincerely and to reveal with courage any failings or mistakes signifies a belief in the possibility of their rectification as well as a proof of devotion to the cause and fight of the proletariat."

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This is the third "check-up" in Rumania and [redacted] the least "mistake" is a cause for suspicion. For example, in the case of Pericle Popovici, formerly of the Rumanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (until the beginning of 1950), one of his references wrote that "he is a good Rumanian". This declaration caused a real panic and Popovici was banned from the Party and the Ministry.

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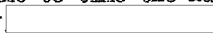
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8. The first "check-up" was in 1949 and concerned only Party members. It lasted for more than one year and amounted to a huge purge within the Party. The second was in the spring of 1951 and concerned the military and reserve officers who were in the former Rumanian Army. (Attached, as Appendix D, is the autobiographical form which was required at that time.) The third, and most extensive, is the one mentioned above: it includes all members of the Rumanian Government. 50X1-HUM

9.  terrible procedures in which virtue and human conscience are on trial. Once begun, the trial remains open and from time to time the Rumanian citizen must pass before the judges. That is why  Rumania is a vast prison with part of its citizens already incarcerated and the remainder potentially condemned. 50X1-HUM



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Questionnaire

Name (of family)..... First name.....
(In case the name has been changed, the old name should also be indicated -
nickname.....

Place and date of birth (commune).....raion.....region.....
Date of birth: day.....month.....year.....
Citizenship..... Nationality.....

STUDIES:

Primary school.....Location.....Year.....
Secondary school (or other schools).....Location.....Year.....
University - Institute.....Location.....Year.....
Languages spoken.....

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY:

Place where apprenticeship served.....
For or with whom.....basic profession.....
Present function.....date of employment.....

Enterprise or Institute			From year.	To year.
where employed	Location	Job	month	month

At what enterprise does he work at present, from what year, and in what
capacity?.....
Has he been evidenced in production (sic).....In what year?.....
Has he received decorations or prizes?.....Which years?.....
For what acts?.....By whom?.....
What property does he have?.....
How much land has he and agricultural inventory (stock and implements)?.....
Has he had his own workshop or enterprise?.....
How many employees did he have?.....
Address of the enterprise or workshop.....
Did he have a registered firm?.....In what city?.....

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How many employees did it have?.....

Did he have shares in or did he participate in some association with a commercial character?.....

How many employees did the enterprise or association have?.....

In what city is it located?.....

Married to.....born in commune.....

Raion.....Year.....month.....day.....

Profession.....what property he (or she) has.....

In what organization or party has he (or she) been a member?.....

In what organization or party is he (or she) a member at present?.....

Remarried to.....born in commune.....

Raion.....Year.....month.....day.....

Profession.....what property he(or she) has.....

Of what organization or party has he(or she) been a member?.....

Of what organization or party is he(or she) a member at present?.....

CHILDREN:

Names	Born: year, month, day	Occupation	In what organizations or parties have they taken part?	In what organizations or parties do they take part at present?
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PARENTS:

Name of the father.....of the mother.....

In what organizations or parties have they taken part?.....

In what organizations or parties do they take part at present?.....

Profession of parents prior to 23 August 1944.....

Profession of parents at present.....

Property of the parents prior to 23 August 1944.....

Property of the parents at present.....

BROTHERS:

Names of the brothers and the sisters	Occupation	Property	In what organizations or parties have they taken part?	In what organizations or parties do they take part at present?
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BROTHERS OF THE WIFE:

Names of the brothers and sisters	Occupation	Property	In what organizations or parties have they taken part?	In what organizations or parties do they take part at present?
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GLOSE RELATIVES:

Name and first name	Occupation	Property	In what organizations or parties have they taken part?	In what organizations or parties do they take part at present?	What is the relationship?
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MILITARY SITUATION:

In what year and in what unit did he perform military service?.....

Rank and time of discharge?.....

Was he a volunteer in the Army?.....

Was he a deserter?.....

SITUATION AT TIME OF WAR:

Was he on the anti-Soviet front?.....

Where? (Indicate broadly the regions and localities).....

In the cadre of the units (sic: in cadrul unitatii)?.....

What missions did the units in which he was a member carry out?.....

What was his rank?.....

What functions did he fulfill?.....

What decorations did he receive?.....

For what acts?.....

Was he a prisoner in USSR?.....In what year?.....

In what camp?.....

Was he part of an anti-fascist movement in the camp?.....

How much time (as a prisoner) did he attend some school?.....

ON THE ANTI-HITLERITE FRONT:

Was he on the anti-Hitlerite front?.....Where?.....

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In which units?.....What rank?.....

What decorations did he receive?.....For what acts?.....

Did he become a prisoner on the Western front?.....In what place?.....

Under what circumstances?.....In what camp was he interned?.....

Where?.....In what year?.....What activity did he carry out during imprisonment?.....Who freed him?.....

Was he mobilized "on the spot"?.....Where?.....In what year?.....

Did he perform obligatory labor?.....In what units?.....

In what years?.....What were his duties?.....

Was he in Bessarabia?.....Northern Bucovina?.....or other Soviet territories?.....

When?.....Where?.....In what years?.....with what was he occupied?.....

Who knew him in the war period?.....how did he conduct himself in the time of the Antonescu dictatorship and the anti-Soviet war?.....

Whom can he give as references?.....

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES:

Was he part of the PCR?.....PSD?.....from what year.....

Location where he was enrolled?.....what were his functions in the Party?.....What Party tasks did he have prior to 23 August 1944?

What Party sanctions (sic: sanctunii) did he have and for what acts?.....

Has he been arrested?.....In what year?.....For what acts?.....

With whom was he arrested?.....How did he comport himself and what did he declare to the Siguranta?.....was he tried?...By what jurisdiction?

In what years?.....Where?.....How did he comport himself at the trial?

What sentence did he receive?.....In what prison or camp was he?.....

How did he comport himself?.....Has he been part of the UTC, UTS, TP, UTM?

From when to when?.....

What Party school has he attended (Syndicalist, Youth or UFDR)?.....

Has he been part of the Syndicalist movement?.....In what syndicate?.....

In what year?.....Where?.....In what workers' actions has he participated (strikes, demonstrations, etc.)?

In what other mass organizations has he been?.....

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In what years?.....Where?.....Was he a member or sympathizer to other parties or organizations?.....What were they called?..In what years?.....

What were his functions?.....Was he a member of or sympathetic to any of the Fascist, Szalaszist, Cuzist, Zionist, etc. organizations?.....

What was it called?..Where?.....In what years?....What were his functions?..

In what activities did he participate?....Was he arrested or tried and condemned for fascist activities?.....

Reasons for which he left the party or organization of which he was part?

Has he received any sentence under common law?.....In what years?.....

Reasons.....

Has he been abroad?.....From when until when?.....Where?.....

For what purpose?.....With what occupation?.....

Of what parties or organizations was he a member abroad?.....

Reasons for returning to the country?.....Has he relatives abroad?.....Where?.....In what year did they leave?.....

With what are they occupied?.....What are their politics?.....

What are their relationships with him (relatives to person filing Questionnaire)?.....

Has the wife relatives abroad?.....Where?.....

What year did they leave?.....With what are they occupied?.....

What are their politics?.....What are her relationships with them?.....

Has he anything further to declare?.....

Domicile in the last 15 years?.....

Present domicile?.....Street.....number...commune.....raion....region.....

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AUTOBIOGRAPHY

The rank or grade, the complete name and first name of the father, and the first name of the officer.

The form is not obligatory. It should be drawn up in your own hand; erasures or corrections are not permitted. It is emphasized that the following points are obligatory:

1. Day, month, year and place of birth. Nationality. The names and first names, ages of parents and close relatives, brothers and sisters. Their occupations until 8/23/44 and at present. Their addresses. If they have close relatives abroad, if they maintain relations with them, and what these relations consist of.
2. Family situation: names and first names, the ages and occupations of the wife and of the wife's brothers, sisters and parents until 8/23/44. The addresses where they currently work.
3. From what date did you begin to work independently? How much time actually worked, and where, up to date of entry into the army?
4. Studies: civil, general and special. What schools completed, where and when? If not completed indicate the last class completed.
5. Where he has been and his occupation prior to and during World War II. Show the exact address both of domicile and work.
6. Date of entry into the UTM, and when he has been a candidate for the PMR (Rumanian Workers' Party). Date of entry into the PMR, and what Party organization received him. Number of the PMR membership card (or PMR candidate card). What Party and social work he has led? How much and for how long? Whether he has been a member of the PCR or UTC? Causes for leaving (these two organizations) will be shown. What party sanctions he has had, the date and organ of the Party which gave the sanctions? Whether the Party sanctions have been annulled or not. To what other parties he has belonged; from when to when; what functions he has fulfilled and where (detailed).
7. Whether he has taken part in anti-partisan or whether he has shared anti-partisan sentiments? It should be shown where, when, and under what circumstances. The names of the groups. If, in this connection, the officer's case has been discussed in a Party organization; it should be shown when, what the name is of the Party organization, and the result.
8. Date of entry into the army, and what unit. Whether he entered into the army voluntarily, through induction, or through the mobilization of Party or syndicate. In what units he has performed military service, when, orders (sic: comenzile) and functions fulfilled (the exact number of the units should be written). Campaigns, the units in which he has fought, the orders (or commands) and functions fulfilled; from when to when; regions in which fought, the recompenses received, decorations and medals, reason for medals, reason for decoration. Whether wounded, in what battle, and character of the wound. Whether military service was interrupted. Show from when to when and the reason for any interruptions (in dates).

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9. STUDIES: military, political and special which where undertaken as a soldier.
(Show in chronological order the schools, courses and academies attended, specifying the locations and the dates of completion of studies.)
10. Whether he has been abroad, when, where and with what he was occupied. Permanent domicile abroad. If he has been detached show by whom. Knowledge of foreign languages, how well read and written; spoken fluently or with the help of a dictionary.
11. Whether he has been tried by civil or military court, when and for what crimes has he been punished?
12. How much he participates in Party and syndicate life at present.

(Signature; show function or occupation and the date that the autobiography was drawn up)

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