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EVALUATION			

1. A former Rumanian minister, highly considered by the Russians, stated to an American friend that Malaxa was the most perfidious man in Rumania. Malaxa claims to be anti-Russian and anti-Communist and yet reports all his talks with the British and the Americans to the Russians and the Communists.

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The information was corroborated by another reliable anti-Nazi sub-source who worked for the Allies during the war. The latter stated that Malaxa reestablished himself with the Russians and the Rumanian Communists through Gheorgiu-Dej (see GR-395 and 419). The Communists, however, like Petrescanu do not approve of an alliance with Malaxa who previously financed the Legionnaires. Sub-source also pointed out that Peter Carp (C-3) formerly Malaxa's manager, was dangerous and had collaborated with the Germans. Though executed after 23 August, Malaxa later restored him and he is now working with the Communists.

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2. A close friend of Maniu, National Peasant party leader, says that Maniu is now engaged in conversations which may determine whether he is to stay in politics. Sub-source intimated that the conversations concern the Anglo-American attitude toward Rumanian politics, and in particular towards Maniu's group. (C-3)

Maniu does not have a very high opinion of his party leaders. He keeps them because of their loyalty and because he had no other choice.

Maniu, in reference to his retirement, is said to have stated that others may collaborate with the Communists and the Russians and commit political suicide, but not he. He indicated that if the present conversations prove negative, his struggle would have been lost and he would not care what his followers decided to do. However, without him, they can hardly hope to survive as an effective party organization. Maniu claimed not to be anti-Russian and that until recently he was a good friend of Foreign Commissar Molotov, who always spoke highly of Maniu in Russian circles.

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Maniu believes that collaboration with the Russians means the incorporation of Rumania into the USSR, a step to which he is unwilling to contribute. Sub-source also stated that according to Maniu the Rumanian economic agreement with Russia is disastrous to Rumania.

3. According to a publisher of an independent Bucharest daily, Press Counsellor Dangulov at the Soviet legation has complained that the Rumanian press is not paying enough attention to Soviet affairs. The articles appearing in the papers are usually reprints from Moscow. Dangulov claimed that no Rumanian journalist has written an article dedicated to Russia, but that the "Democratic" papers have done so when referring to American and British affairs. Since the papers print biographies of generals and other information pertaining to the USA and Britain, he stated that the same should be done for Russia.

Sub-source informed Dangulov that the Rumanian journalist did not know Russia well enough and that a trip should be arranged. Dangulov replied that this was impossible now and that the journalists should interview members of the Rumanian economic delegation who have just visited Russia.

Comment by Source: While Dangulov's complaints are not wholly justified, he probably reflects Russian annoyance against spontaneous spirit of good will toward the Anglo-Americans and coolness toward the Russians. The latter have adopted a defensive attitude towards such expressions and this may account for the occasional strained relations between the Russians and the Anglo-Americans here.