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Collaboration of Buenos Aires Iron Guardist
with Radescu's Organisation

Report by [] from Buenos Aires, dated 5 November 1951:

"I have seen a letter addressed by Barbu Niculescu to Stefan Tsoculescu, in which he tells him that Alexandru Mateescu-Francu informed him of Tsoculescu's intention to make a donation to Radescu's group and expresses warm thanks. Barbu Niculescu further writes that Mateescu-Francu is the empowered representative of the League and that the donation may be handed to him against receipt.

"As a matter of fact, I see from Radescu's newspaper 'Romanul' that the Buenos Aires Legionaries are making precious contributions to that paper. The last issue I received contained pieces by Kellu Manzetti, Vintila Horia, and Grigore Manolescu (the latter writing under the pseudonym 'J. Carols Patagones').

"I explained to Tsoculescu the background of Radescu's group and of its branch set up here, and he promised he would contribute only one sum to it because he had promised to do so, but that he would give it no further support. Tsoculescu is naive in all matters that are not business deals."

M. B. Barbu Niculescu is General Radescu's secretary.

Alexandru Mateescu-Francu is a prominent member of the Iron Guard Group in Buenos Aires and editor of the Iron Guardist newspaper RWANIA, published in Buenos Aires.

Kellu Manzetti and Grigore Manolescu belong to the same Iron Guard Group in Argentina. Vintila Horia is an Iron Guard sympathizer.

Stefan Tsoculescu is a wealthy businessman—a former friend of Archduchess Ileana. He has no political affiliations.

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