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One of the groups which joined the RADESCU sponsored organization is a group organized in Munich in 1951 under the chairmanship of Herwart SCHEINER. They demanded six seats in the main organization, but since RADESCU refused to have more German than Rumanian delegates from the groups in Germany, a compromise was reached.

From our files the following quotation has been extracted. It comes from a report of a knowledgeable source living in Bucharest in 1945. It describes Herwart SCHEINER as one of the founders of an organization in Rumania called "The Anti-Hitler Association of Transylvanian German Democrats," and states that in 1945, SCHEINER was looking for a man to head the organization in Bucharest. It adds:

"The speeches delivered at the first public meeting of the organization in Sibiu indicate very plainly their desire to come to an understanding with the extreme left. The speeches were to a large extent glorifications of Marshal Stalin and they acknowledged the necessity that the Rumanians of German descent should seek to arrange themselves with the Communist Party and the Soviet Russian authorities. The leading members of the new organization have joined the Communist Party or at least some of the minor groups of that party. Mr. SCHEINER is a member of the communist 'Patriotic Union' and the 'Apararea Patriotica'."

The "Apararea Patriotica" was described as the most influential and militant Communist organization in Rumania at that time.

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