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1. Reference is made to our cable sent today concerning the production and distribution of the above described mimeographed publication. In this connection, there are attached six copies of the newspaper, together with a summarized description of each article. The number of each article in the description corresponds to the numbers printed in ink on the attached publications.

2. As explained in our cable, this edition is a continuation of the earlier publication which was produced in the late summer of 1948 by [] while serving with SPG. You have a copy of the previous edition in your project files.

3. The propaganda line of this publication and subsequently planned editions will attempt to encourage a split within the ranks of Hungarian Communists. You are already basically familiar, I believe, with the various arguments and material which [] plans to use in support of this line. As the publication develops, we will of course keep you fully informed and will endeavor to give you, if you so desire, an advance cable resumé of each edition.

4. The mailing list for this publication, including approximately 1500 names, has been largely compiled by the two members of []'s team. Their sources for such a list have included ads from Hungarian newspapers, official publications and other limited reliable address sources.

5. We presently plan to mail approximately 1500 copies with the bulk of these being placed in letter boxes in Linz and Vienna. In this

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connection, you will note that the paper admits that it is presently being published outside of Hungary but adds that it will appear inside the country sometime in the future. We plan to support this statement with actual distribution within Hungary when channels into that country are developed. Such channels do exist but our present inability to exploit them is primarily due to our lack of representation at Salzburg. We are hopeful that, even though mailed from outside, a good percentage of the newspapers will pass through the Hungarian censorship, especially if they are mailed from scattered points.

6. This represents merely a small start toward Hungarian production and operations. It is a beginning which is very necessary as a trial operation and as a morale factor. Until we can establish printing facilities, we will continue to use mimeograph or any other safe substitute facilities.

7. In our cable today, I suggested that you coordinate with [] concerning this proposed activity. I also assume that [] will see that his Budapest representative is properly informed. For my part, I am arranging to see [] at Salzburg later this week, at which time I will explain the operation to him and obtain any guidance or assistance he may wish to offer.

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Summary of Articles

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SZABAD MAGYAR NEP
Organ of the Hungarian Communists
Second Edition
Summary of Articles

1. Lead article, "Hungarian Independent People's Front" deals with the declaration of unity (new unity) between the existing political parties under the above name. It takes the CP to task because, in the declaration, no mention is made of the CP. In fact, the very word "Communist" is missing. It exposes the gang as Muscovite agents, colonizing Hungary under a new disguise and attacks the CP for submerging the party in the traitorous socialist group. It proves their lies about economic improvement by the fact that the Hungarian Forint is sold at the rate of 60 to the dollar compared with the official rate of 11 to the dollar. It attacks the Muscovites for re-establishing piece work, forcing workers to drop exhausted; it denounces them for selling Hungary's oil, ore, Danube, etc. to Russia; it flays them for disguising the impending establishment of Kolkhocec under the name of "cooperatives", and it promises the Hungarians a real Communistic state that will not be exploited by either Western or Eastern imperialism.

2. A short item explaining that presently the paper is being published outside Hungary because of Gabor Peter's police force, but that within a short time will be printed in Hungary once more.

3. The next article deals with Stalin's peace offensive. Not satisfied with the exploitation of satellites, he is now offering the French and Italian Communists for sale to the Westerners in order to share in the Marshall plan. It describes the bewildered Western Communists who consider his policy a sell-out.

4. The next article bemoans the fact that Moscow, in its handling of the defense at the Kravosenko trial, permitted a filthy traitor like him to describe the unspeakable, Asiatic terror in SSUR and convince the world that clean Communism does not exist in Russia.

5. The next article calls for resistance to the slave-driving system of the so-called "norma" with its exaction of daily performance and piece work. It points out the main tenet of Socialism, the 50 years' fight of enlightened labor and liberal capitalism against piece work, and also the fact that the object of the new system is to deliver more to Russia. It calls on the workers to remain true to Lenin and Trotzky and to resist this system.

6. Rakosi's mistress was appointed to a foreign post. Mrs. Rakosi objected to the presence of the "princess" in Budapest. Who will be his next mistress and what will be her pay at the expense and humiliation of Hungary? The reactionary Hungarian Consul and his staff in New York walked out on their government because even they were unable to stomach the stink of the Mindzenty trial. Two more "diplomats" are getting ready to follow suit.

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7. We would be happy to see the destruction of reactionaries except for the fact that the whole Mindzenty show was ordered by Moscow; that it was a badly organized show, imitating the Asiatic trials of Moscow, and was unworthy of real Communists; that Mindzenty was sentenced for "Crimes" he did not commit, instead of his real crime of being an arch enemy of progress; that mention was made about spying on the Soviet troops, which could not be a crime for a Hungarian citizen even if true, and it was not true; that he wanted to sell the Hungarian oil to Western capitalists, while in reality it was sold by Muscovite Hungarians to Russia; and that he was sentenced in order to terrorize every decent Communist and non-Communist Hungarian who--regrettable as it is--still remain attached to their religion. The article concludes by stating: Yes, we Communists will account for all of our enemies, but not on trumped up charges, and especially not because they oppose the foreign oppressors. We have nothing to do with the filthy gang and system that follow the method by which comrade Radek, and so many other loyal and patriotic men, ~~were~~ brutally killed by the Moscow gang.

8. Points out that due to conditions in Hungary, even Communists are secretly leaving the country.

9. We live. When the police department was getting deeply interested in our organization, there were 11,000 in our group. Now we are 14,000 and the more oppressive becomes the Muscovite gang, the larger we grow. In fact, we are in reality much more than 14,000. Hundreds of thousands are seeking the way to us. We are everywhere; we note everything. If the Muscovite brigands fill our lines with spies, we will ferret them out to the last traitor. We won't forget. Comrades! The sound of freedom will be heard, perhaps sooner than you hope. Carry on in the knowledge that you are not alone. Forward for a free Hungary, a free Communist Hungary. Hungarian proletarians unite!

10. The new Graces. It is revolting to see the new "Your Graces", the uneducated, bad-mannered wives of the Muscovites who cover themselves-- in the name of Communism--with silks, velvet and ermin, with gold and diamonds, and force their friends and servants to call them "your grace", even as the old idle rich of the capitalists did. Pfuji!

11. Ex-Finance Minister Nyarady put in his ten cents worth at the Mindzenty trial but instead of the hypocrisy he should talk about the money he stole and the money Zoltan Vas and other zoltan vas' of the Muscovites salted away from the graft of the West Orient. Nyarady is afraid to talk about this, and the gentlemen at home are afraid to talk about Nyarady's grafts. They are afraid of each other. Nyarady obtained his appointment by selling one of the prize treasures of Hungary, the Petrozsény coal mine at one-eighth of its real value to the Russians.

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12. The Real Face of America. This was the title of a lecture recently delivered by Minister of Justice Riesz. He was right in enumerating the faults of America and Capitalism, but failed to close his lectures with an interesting titbit. Namely, that in July, 1948 a large amount was deposited for Mrs. Riesz in the Paris branch of the Chase National Bank, and that in August of 1948 Riesz had Hadik inquire tactfully whether the American Embassy at Budapest would grant an immigration visa for a non-Communist Hungarian Minister and his family.

13. One U.S. dollar is worth 67 Forint in Switzerland now. Yet Rakosi and his gang are deluding the worker and peasant with the daily lie that their money is stable.

14. Caricature of Rakosi. "If this is his head what is he sitting on?" (A popular joke about Rakosi circulating today in Budapest).

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