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1. The Order considered as one of its greatest successes the arrival of 165 electors from the most remote lands, due to the excellent connections of the Order to the different State authorities, particularly French, Spanish, American and British.

2. The Church and the Order itself have to face such problems in the future that only a European padre with great experience has opportunities to be elected head of the Order. Though PIUS XII considers the missions in Asia, Africa and the American continent highly important for the Church, and considers the U.S.A. the greatest hope against the "forces of evil", he still thinks that the future of the world will be decided in Europe and thus considers any religious and political problems concerning Germany, France, Russia in first line to be of primary importance. The Order, as a faithful servant of the Holy See, agrees and, therefore, the election of JANSSENS was almost unanimous.

3. The Congress (Congregation) reaffirmed its anti-nationalistic and anti-Bolshevik policy. This point was of high importance, because nobody knew how the long war deformed the usually good relations between the different "provinces".

4. It has been decided, that as in the past so in the future, the Order will continue to educate experts on Oriental affairs in the Church. At present the Order is competent for any kind of Oriental church problems, including the Middle, Near-East, India, China and Japan.

5. There is no special program to be made in the anti-Communist fight. This is a continuous routine matter and it depends from day to day on the situation. However, the Congress does not issue directives in this sense, and leaves each country solve its own problems.

6. Among their European problems to which first priority was given is Germany. The Order considers it of primary importance to help the German people in any possible way and any possible means, and will continue to do so, in a financial sense also.

7. The Congress is secret and everyone takes a special oath before entering. Therefore, only general information is coming through. After 1 November, when the

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Congress ends, and the new assistants continue to work, more facts will be available.

COMMENT:

This report has not been supplemented. It is presumed that Source will pass other reports to Vienna or Amzon.

Sub-sources are:

- a) MOLY
- b) Giuseppe della TORRE, Editor-in-Chief of Osservatore Romano
- c) Father Robert LEIBER
- d) German and Hungarian Jesuits

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