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HEADLINE SUMMARY JAN 3, 1957

CZECHOSLOVAK:

TODAY'S RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF DECENTRALIZATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECENT SPEECH OF SIROKÝ DELIVERED AT A MEETING OF MEMBERS OF CENTRAL AND COUNTY NATIONAL COMMITTEES WITH THE CZSL GOVERNMENT.

133 NEW PEOPLE'S JUDGES WERE INAUGURATED IN PRAGUE.

Z. SULC STATED IN HIS COMMENTARY THAT REDUCTION OF "PRODUCTION NORMS" WOULD RESULT IN NEED OF MORE MANPOWER AND THAT WOULD MEAN INCREASE OF WAGE FUNDS AND DANGER OF INFLATION.

POLISH:

16 PERSONS WENT ON TRIAL IN BYDGOSZCZ ON JAN 2 CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATING IN THE RIOTS THERE IN NOVEMBER. MOST OF THEM ARE YOUTHS BETWEEN 17 AND 28. 70 WITNESSES WILL TESTIFY IN THE TRIAL WHICH IS EXPECTED TO LAST ANOTHER NINE DAYS.

THE COUNCIL OF STATE HAS APPROVED DECREES DETAILING PUNISHMENT FOR DESERTION FROM THE ARMED FORCES, AND CHURCH JURISDICTION ON THE BASIS OF THE CHURCH-STARE AGREEMENT.

HUNGARIAN:

COMMENTARY BROADCAST BY HOMELAND STATION SAID THAT PUBLIC OPINION AWAIT THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM WHICH IS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.

KOSСITH RADIO AND MISKOLC COMPLAINED OF UNSATISFACTORY WORK IN COAL MINES.

DAMAGE CAUSED BY FIGHTING IN BUDAPEST ALONE IS ESTIMATED AT 700 MILLION FORINTS.
ALBANIAN---(JAN 2-TIRANA: 2200) ENVER HOXHA TODAY RECEIVED FIRST SECRETARY OF ALGERIAN CP---ALBANIA IS TO ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICAL YEAR FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR.

EAST GERMANY--- BROADCASTS EMPHASIZE THE TRIP OF GDR GOVERNMENTAL DELEGATION OF SOVIET UNION, AND THE INTRODUCTION OF 45-HOUR WORKING WEEK IN ELEVEN MACHINE FACTORIES.

RUSSIAN---PRAVDA LEADER INTER ALIA CRITICISES LAGS IN REPAIR OF TRACTORS IN SOME REGIONS, LACK OF SPARE PARTS FOR MACHINERY, AND DELAYED SEED PREPARATION IN SOME AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES.

MOSCOW (JAN 3, 0800 HRS), TREGUBOV AND FOKIN ATTACK RFE FOR LYING ABOUT THE SITUATION OF HUNGARIAN COOPERATIVES.

YUGOSLAV---RADIO STATION LJUBLJANA BROADCAST A COMMENTARY ON BULGARIA, STRESSING THAT BULGARIANS HAVE CRITICIZED PERSONALITY CULT, BUT NOT THE BEARERS OF THE CULT. IN THE COMMENTATOR'S OPINION, THERE ARE SIGNS OF GROWING INTERNAL CONFLICTS IN BULGARIA. (2 JAN, 1900 HRS).

ZIVOJIN STEKIC REPORTS FROM WARSAW ON POLAND'S NEW COURSE, INTERVIEWING A SERIES OF PEOPLE. HE SAYS: THE PARTY MEMBERSHIP, THIS DRIVING-BELT OF THE OLD STALINIST GEARING SYSTEM HAS BROKEN, AND THE UNTRUE MYTH OF AUTHORITY ALSO. POLAND, SAYS STEKIC, IS LOOKING FOR AN OWN WAY OF SOCIALIST DEVELOPMENT (BELGRADE, 2 JAN, 1930 HRS).--RADIO ZAGREB BROADCAST A COMMENTARY BY R. MAGAJNO, ASSERTING THAT ITALIAN DEMOCRATS ARE PROVOKING A GOVERNMENTAL CRISIS IN ORDER TO START PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS, FEELING STRONG. (2 JAN, 1930H)

ROMANIAN---(JAN 3-BUCH: 0815) UNDER HEADING "THOUGHTS FOR YEAR WHICH HAS JUST BEGUN" ROMANIA LIBERA ECHOING KHRUTCHEV'S STATEMENT TO RUDE PRAVO, FORESEES MORE IMPERIALIST AGGRESSIVE ATTEMPTS, AND CALLS FOR MORE VIGILANCE.

BULGARIAN:

RABOTNICHESKO DELO EDITORIAL OF JAN 3 WELCOMED THE CHINESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION WHICH ARRIVED IN SOFIA ON WEDNESDAY.
1. HIGHER YIELDS.

Moscow (Jan 3, 0730 hrs), today's Pravda leader is titled "The Most Important Stage of the Struggle for High Yields". The article stresses the importance of the decisions of the December plenum of the CcCPSU for the development of agriculture.

Lagging Enterprises

After stressing successes scored in 1956, the article says that it is not a secret that parallely with kolkhozes and sovkhozes which last year achieved serious successes, there are lagging enterprises achieving low yields in agriculture and cattle-breeding.

Pravda then dwells on the importance of inner reserves of planning of planting, and of the work of specialists.

Poor Repair of Machines

Main role in planting is played by mechanizers of MTs and sovkhozes. Many MTs have overfulfilled their tasks concerning repair of tractors. However, in a number of regions, provinces, and republics, the repair of tractors, planters, cultivators, and other machines is carried out without utmost delay. MTs of the Chitinskaya, Kemerovskaya, Omskaya regions, of the Chuvashskaya ASSR and the Primorskiy province are seriously lagging in the repair of tractors. Lags in the preparation of machinery for the spring cannot be tolerated.

Virgin Land Difficulties

MTs and sovkhozes in the virgin land areas of Kazakhstan, Urals and Siberia, experience certain difficulties in the repair of machinery. Here a great quantity of tractors is busy with transportation of grain from distant centres. Slush, lack of good roads, enormous tension in the work, undoubtedly have affected the conditions of machines. Besides, in a number of sovkhozes and MTs, there is lack of well-equipped repair-shops.

Lack of Spare Parts

In some places, the repair is delayed by lack of spare parts. Such a state of affairs was observed in many MTs of the Voronezh and some other regions.

Seed Situation

Although seed situation is better than last year, it is not satisfactory everywhere. Cleaning and seed-quality control are organized with delay. In some places, in view of early winter, a part of maize has not been harvested. Pravda concludes by stressing the importance of socialist emulation in agriculture.


Preparations for elections to local soviets in the Ukraine; group of Iranian journalists in Tashkent; White House conference between government and democrats aimed at establishing US rule in the Middle East; press echo to New Year speeches by Bulganin and Khrushchev; Grothwoll and GDR governmental delegation arrived in USSR.
CZECHOSLOVAK MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS JAN 2, 3, 1957

PRAGUE UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

1. RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL

(JAN 3, 0510 HRS) UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"WHAT DO WE INTEND THROUGH DECENTRALIZATION"

TODAY'S RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL PUBLISHER AN EDITORIAL DEALING WITH SIROKY'S SPEECH DELIVERED AT THE MEETING OF CZSL GOVERNMENT WITH MEMBERS OF CENTRAL AND COUNTY NATIONAL COMMITTEES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROBLEM OF DECENTRALIZATION.

THE EDITORIAL FURTHER QUOTES EXCERPTS FROM SIROKY'S SPEECH STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF DECENTRALIZATION AND ITS NECESSITY.

THE EVENTS IN HUNGARY PROVED THAT THIS WAY SET UP BY THE NATIONAL CP CONFERENCE IS THE PROPER ONE BECAUSE IT LEADS TO THE STRENGTHENING OF THE PEOPLE'S REGIME.

THE EDITORIAL DISCUSSES VARIOUS INSTRUCTIONS FOR DECENTRALIZATION AND CRITICIZES "VARIOUS IDEAS" WHICH ARE AGAINST DECENTRALIZATION. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE IDEA "FAVORS ONLY REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATION APPARATUS INSTEAD OF "COMPLETE DECENTRALIZATION". ANOTHER ONE CONSIDERS THE DECENTRALIZATION OF COUNTY NATIONAL COMMITTEES AS THE LAST STEP OF THIS PROCESS.

CONCLUDING, THE EDITORIAL EXPLAINS INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE ELECTIONS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

2. 133 NEW PEOPLE'S JUDGES INAUGURATED

(JAN 2, 2200 HRS) NEW PEOPLE'S JUDGES WERE TODAY INAUGURATED IN PRAGUE. MINISTER VACLAV SKODA DELIVERED A SPEECH AT THE FESTIVE MEETING. HE STRESSED THAT THIS YEAR 53,000 PEOPLE'S JUDGES WILL BE IN ACTIVE DUTY AND THEIR TASK WILL BE "TO EDUCATE OUR CITIZENS IN VIGILANCE AND WATCHFULNESS AGAINST THE ATTEMPTS OF SPIES, DIVERTSANTS AND CLASS-ENEMIES".

3. ON HUNGARY

(JAN 3 0600 HRS) REPORT ON RESUMPTION OF WORK IN THE CSEPHEL ENTERPRISE AND SOME OTHER BUDAPEST FACTORIES.

4. DOMESTIC NEWS

(JAN 2 1900 HRS) TWO NEW MAGAZINES TODAY CAME OUT IN PRAGUE: WEEKLY "CULTURE 1957" AND WEEKLY "TVORBA".

(JAN 2,) NEWSCASTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY BROUGHT REPORTS ON PRODUCTION FROM FACTORIES AND ENTERPRISES ALL OVER THE CSR AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SECOND YEAR OF THE 2ND FIVE YEAR PLAN.

5. LECTURES- COMMENTARIES

(JAN 2 1710 HRS) 2. SULC COMMENTS ON THE VARIOUS OPINIONS OF FACTORY DIRECTORS IN CONNECTION WITH EXPLOITATION OF THEIR INCREASED RIGHTS AND POWERS. 2. SULC STATES THAT REDUCTION OF "PRODUCTION NORMS" WOULD RESULT IN NEED OF MORE MANPOWER, BUT DEFINITELY NOT IN INCREASE OF PRODUCTION. THE WAGES WOULD INCREASE BY 3 MILLIARDS AND THAT WOULD MEAN "DANGER OF INFLATION".
6. FOREIGN NEWS

(JAN 2 1900 HRS) REPORT ON BULGARIAN'S INTERVIEW WITH CORRESPONDENT ON THE POLISH RADIO.

(JAN 2 2206 HRS) 30AK CP DECLARATION OF THE NEW POLITICAL SITUATION.

POLISH MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS JAN 2-3-1957

WARSAW ONE UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

1. THURSDAY MORNING HIGHLIGHTS

(JAN 3 0600 0800 HRS) THE COUNCIL OF STATE HAS APPROVED DECREES MAKING THE CITIES OF KRAKOW, POZNAN AND WROCLAW INDEPENDENT OF THE VOEVODSHIPS AND SETTING UP CITY NATIONAL COUNCILS ON THE SAME LEVEL AS THE VOEVODSHIP ONES; INTRODUCING CHANGES INTO THE MILITARY PENAL CODE DETAILING PUNISHMENT FOR DESERTION; GIVING THE CHURCH THE RIGHT OF ITS JURISDICTION WHILE RETAINING FOR THE STATE THE RIGHT TO INFLUENCE APPOINTMENTS. A NUMBER OF OTHER DECREES WAS ALSO APPROVED. IN BYDGOSZCZ, 16 PERSONS WENT ON TRIAL YESTERDAY CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATING IN THE DISTURBANCES OF NOV 18. FOREIGN NEWS: POLITIKA COMMENTS ON THE POLISH-YUGOSLAV PARTY TALKS.

2. BYDGOSZCZ TRIAL


(JAN 2 2000 HRS) INVESTIGATIONS OF THE CASE AGAINST FOUR WORKERS ACCUSED OF ATTACKING AND DISARMING A GUARD IN A SZCZECIN FACTORY HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. THE ACCUSED WILL FACE TRIAL IN THE MIDDLE OF JANUARY.

3. PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN

(JAN 2 2100 HRS) SECRETARY EDWARD OCHAB VISITED THE "BAILDON" FOUNDRY. IN HIS SPEECH HE DID NOT CONCEAL THE FACT THAT THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY WAS STILL EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. IT IS ABOVE ALL NECESSARY TO CONSOLIDATE THE SITUATION.

4. YOUTH PROBLEMS

(JAN 2 1210 HRS) A TALK BY DANUTA BARDACH ENTITLED "70,000 CHILDREN OUTSIDE SCHOOL" STRESSES THE OVERWORK OF TEACHERS, THE OVERLOADING OF THE SCHOOL PROGRAM,
UNSuitable TEXTBOOKS, WHICH MAKE STUDY DIFFICULT EVEN FOR INTELLIGENT CHILDREN.

(JAN 2 2000 HRS WARSAW II) A TWO DAY CONFERENCE OF LEADERS OF LEFT-WING YOUTH HAS BEGUN IN WARSAW. A PROPOSAL HAS BEEN PUT FORWARD THAT THE FUTURE ORGANIZATION OF WORKER, INTELLIGENTSIA AND STUDENT YOUTH SHOULD BE CALLED THE UNION OF SOCIALIST YOUTH.

5. OTHER REPORTS (JAN 2)
(1204 HRS) THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF WARM UNDERWEAR, EAR-MUFFS, SWEATERS AND SCARFS IN RETAIL SHOPS.

(2300 HRS) THE NECESSITY OF SAVING COAL HAS BROUGHT ABOUT A CONSIDERABLE WORSENING OF CONDITIONS IN RAIL TRAVEL. WANTON DAMAGE OF ROLLING STOCK AGGRAVATES THE SITUATION STILL MORE. FURTHER DELAYS ARE CAUSED BY HEAVY SNOW FALLS.

(2015 HRS WARSAW II) STEFAN JEDRYCHOWSKI DISCUSSES IN AN INTERVIEW THE CHARACTER OF TASKS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF WHICH HE HAS BEEN NAMED HEAD.

(1500 HRS WARSAW II) THE PROGRAM ATTACKED THE LONDON POLISH DAILY. SPEAKING OF ZYGMUNT NOWAKOWSKI, IT SAID THAT IT IS ALLEGED THAT SINCE HE TOOK MONEY FROM FREIES EUROPA, HE REJECTS ANYTHING CONNECTED WITH THE HOMELAND.

(2300 HRS) THE PIANIST ARTUR RUBINSTEIN HAS EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO VISIT POLAND.

(0730 HRS KRAJ) THE BROADCAST DISCUSSED THE STATION'S ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST YEAR AND ANNOUNCED EXTENSION OF ITS ACTIVITIES IN 1957.

HUNGARIAN MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS JAN. 2-3, 1956 KOSUTH RADIO UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

1. HOMELAND (SZULOEFOE LUNK) BROADCAST
(JAN. 2, 2000 HRS.) DISTRIBUTION OF RED CROSS AID IS IN PROGRESS IN ALL BUDAPEST DISTRICTS SINCE DEC. 20. 45,000 PACKAGES WERE DISTRIBUTED IN 10 DAYS.

- COMMENTARY: THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS NOW IN POWER TWO MONTHS, IS MAKING STRUENUOUS EFFORTS AT DEMOCRATIZATION. A SERIES OF MEASURES HAVE BEEN AIMED AT CORRECTING THE MISTAKES OF THE RAKOSI REGIME. THE ECONOMIC SITUATION CONTINUES TO BE VERY GRAVE, MAKING NEEDED FURTHER MEASURES SUCH AS LIMITATION OF BUREAUCRACY. - PUBLIC OPINION AWAITS THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE MADE PUBLIC SOON, AND WHICH WILL SHOW THE WAY AHEAD.

2. ECONOMIC SITUATION
(JAN. 2, 1840 HRS.) MISKOLC RADIO SAID THAT THE PRODUCTION SITUATION IN THE BORSOD COAL MINES HAS SHOWN NO SIGN OF IMPROVEMENT IN THE LAST DAYS OF 1956. ON DEC. 30, COAL OUTPUT IN THE O2D MINES WAS 1,329 TONS, IN BORSOD 2,815 TONS. ON JAN. 2, ONLY 1,169 MINERS REPORTED FOR WORK.

(JAN. 2, 1700 HRS.) ESTI HIRLAP REPORTS THAT 2,600 MINERS WENT DOWN THE PITS IN TATABA NIA ON JAN. 2, AND ABOUT HALF THAT NUMBER REPORTED FOR THE SECOND SHIFT IN THE AFTERNOON. THE EFFECTS OF THE NEW WAGES SYSTEM INTRODUCED IN DECEMBER CAN ALREADY BEEN FELT. PRODUCTION IS BEING STEPPED UP IN THE INOTA POWER STATION.
THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED THE PECŠ WORKERS' COUNCIL PROPOSAL THAT 500 DWELLINGS BE BUILT FOR MINERS IN THE AREA. THE COUNCIL HAS ALSO STRESSED THAT THE MINING TRUST SHOULD HAVE GREATER INDEPENDENCE OF THE MINISTRY. THE DISMISSAL OF OFFICIALS WHO DO NOT ENJOY THE MINERS' CONFIDENCE, INCLUDING THE DIRECTOR, HAS ALSO BEEN PROPOSED.

FORMER MEMBERS OF COLLECTIVE FARMS IN THE BARANYA COUNTY ARE RETURNING TO COOPERATIVES AFTER HAVING SEEN THE POSITIVE ANNUAL ACCOUNTING. AT PRESENT, ONLY 72 OF THE COUNTY'S 242 COLLECTIVES ARE FUNCTIONING, BUT SOME ARE BEING REVIVED.

A NEW FEATURE WEEKLY PROGRAM CALLED "FROM THE ACTIVITIES OF WORKERS' COUNCILS" INTRODUCED A ROUND-TABLE TALK OF SEVERAL COUNCIL MEMBERS. ONE MEMBER SAID THAT DIRECTORS SHOULD NOT BE APPOINTED BY THE MINISTRY; ANOTHER OBJECTED THAT THIS WOULD LEAD TO CHAOS. IT WAS AGREED THAT NEW METHODS OF CENTRAL CONTROL AND LEADERSHIP ARE NEEDED; DUE TO THE EXTRAORDINARY SITUATION, CENTRAL DIRECTION OF A TEMPORARY CHARACTER HAS TO BE INTRODUCED.

3. SURVEY OF DAMAGE IN BUDAPEST
(JAN. 5, 0700 HRS - RADIO KOSZUTH) A SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE BUDAPEST DISTRICT COUNCILS REVEALS THAT DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE UPRISING AMOUNT TO ALMOST 700 MILLION FORINTS IN BUDAPEST ALONE. THIS AMOUNT INCLUDES DAMAGES DONE TO DWELLING HOUSES, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS. INCLUDED IN THIS AMOUNT OF 700 MILLION FORINTS IS ALSO AN AMOUNT OF 260 MILLION FORINTS WHICH REPRESENTS THE DAMAGES TO TRADE SUFFERED (DAMAGES TO DEPARTMENT STORES, WAREHOUSES, ETC.)

RUMANIAN JAN 2 - 3, 1957

1. AGER PRESS BRIEFS
(JAN. 2-3, 1956) CHINESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION LEAVES FOR HOME (1) - PETRU' GROZA WIRES CONGRATULATIONS TO SUDAN'S PRESIDENT (2) - ENSEMBLE IGON MOISEEV TOURING RPR (3) - SPORT (4-5) - RPR CULTURAL AND ART RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES (6) - PRESS CONFERENCE WITH CHINESE DELEGATION IN BUCHAREST (7).

2. NEWS IN HEADLINES
3. ROUMANIA LIBERA: VIGILANCE.

(BUCH: JAN. 3-0815) UNDER HEADING "THOUGHTS FOR THE YEAR WHICH HAS BEGUN" ROUMANIA LIBERA ECHOING KHRUSHCHEV'S STATEMENT WHEN INTERVIEWED BY RUDE PRAVO, READS IN PART: "IT IS NOW NATURAL TO WONDER WHETHER, DESPITE THE CONSIDERABLE CONSOLIDATION OF THE PEACE FORCES, THE AGGRESSIVE CIRCLES WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO LAUNCH A NEW AGGRESSION... THEREFORE, IT IS IMPERATIVE TO STRENGTHEN OUR WATCHFULNESS...

THE WATCHFULNESS AND STRENGTH OF THOSE WHO FIGHT FOR PEACE WILL BE IMPORTANT OBSTACLES ON ROAD OF WARMONGERS..." ROMANIA LIBERA CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT THE ROUMANIAN PEOPLE WILL MULTIPLY THEIR EFFORTS TO CREATE A SYSTEM OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY IN EUROPE.

BULGARIAN MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS 3 JANUARY 1957

1. RABOTNISCHESKO DELO LEADER.

SOFIA (3 JAN 0630 HRS) HEADLINED: "WELCOME, DEAR GUESTS".

THE ARTICLE IS DEDICATED TO THE JUST ARRIVED CHINESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION. AMONG OTHERS, IT WAS SAID THAT THE BULGARIAN PEOPLE REJOICE AND ARE PROUD THAT IN THE 600 MILLION CHINESE PEOPLE THEY HAVE A TRUE AND GREAT FRIEND. WITH EVERY PAST YEAR, THE FRIENDLY AND OTHER RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS GROW AND CONSOLIDATE. THE PRESENT PARLIAMENTARY VISIT IS VERY SIGNIFICANT, BECAUSE IT COMES IN A MOMENT WHEN THE FORCES OF SOCIALISM UNITE STILL STRONGER AGAINST THE ATTEMPTS OF THE IMPERIALIST CIRCLES TO UNDERMINE THIS UNITY.

2. CHINESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION.

SOFIA (2 JAN 2030 HRS) TODAY, THE CHINESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION ARRIVED IN RUSE BY TRAIN OVER THE NEW BRIDGE ON THE DANUBE. A VERY SOLID MEETING OF THE GUESTS WAS ORGANIZED BY PARTY LEADERS AND THE POPULATION OF THIS CITY. A LARGE PUBLIC MEETING WAS HELD.

AFTER THE MEETING, THE GUESTS MADE A TOUR OF THE CITY AND CONTINUED THEIR WAY TO SOFIA.

3. ON INTERNATIONAL TOPICS.

SOFIA (2 JAN 1800 HRS) A SHORT COMMENTARY WAS DEDICATED TODAY TO THE NEWS THAT PRESIDENT EISENHOWER HAD ASKED THE CONGRESS TO GIVE HIM FREE HAND IN USING MILITARY FORCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, IF THAT WOULD PROVE NECESSARY. IT WAS SAID THAT THIS WAS ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO MIX UP THE MINDS OF THE PEOPLE IN THE WEST, SO THAT LATER ARBITRARY ACTIONS WOULD BE JUSTIFIED. WASHINGTON AND LONDON, SAID THE COMMENTATOR, ALWAYS SEE SOVIET INTERFERENCE EVERYWHERE WHERE NATIONS DECIDE TO SETTLE ALONE THEIR OWN AFFAIRS AND ESTABLISH THEIR OWN FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE. WHO GAVE THAT RIGHT TO THE US? SAID THE COMMENTATOR, TO APPEAL UPON HERSELF THE ROLE OF A WORLD JUDGE, TO APPEAR THERE WHERE NOBODY HAD INVITED THEM, AND UNDERTAKE ACTIONS AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF OTHER NATIONS? OR ARE THEY TRYING TO PUT HAND ON THAT WHICH THEIR BRITISH AND FRENCH COLLEAGUES ARE LOSING.

SOFIA (2 JAN 1920 HRS) A SECOND COMMENTARY WAS HEADLINED: "SOCIALISM AND DEMOCRACY" BY ASSEN CHARAKCHIEV. THE COMMENTATOR TRIED TO PROVE THAT THE SOCIALIST TYPE OF DEMOCRACY IS THE REAL ONE AND NOT THAT OF THE WESTERN COUNTRIES. USING MARX AND ENGELS ARGUMENTATION.
SOFIA (2 JAN 20:30 HRS) ANOTHER COMMENTARY WAS DEDICATED TO NASSER’S DENOUNCING OF THE 1954 AGREEMENT WITH ENGLAND ON SUEZ.

PRESS REVIEW.

SOFIA (2 JAN, 13:30 HRS), TODAY THERE IS ONLY REVIEW OF RABOTNIČESKO DELO.


OTHER TOPICS ARE: NEW YEAR CELEBRATION IN MOSCOW; VOROŠILOV’S SPEECH; ROMANIAN CC PLENUM AND DEJS REPORT; CHOU EN LAI CONVERSATION WITH NEHRU; JEN MIN JIN PAO ARTICLE ON THE HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE OF THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT; HUNGARIAN MINISTER HORVATH ON REFUGEES; ETC.

EAST GERMAN JAN 2-3, 1957.

NOTE: DEPARTURE AND TRIP OF GDR GOVERNMENTAL DELEGATION TO USSR IS REPORTED ON IN DETAILS. MANFRED KLEIN (GDR, 2 JAN, 1910 HRS) DEVOTES A COMMENTARY TO THIS TRIP.

REPORT ON HUNGARY STRESSES PRESS INTERVIEW WITH BUDAPEST POLICE CHIEF SÓZS, WHO MENTIONED THAT MARTIAL LAW WILL BE MAINTAINED. (GDR, 19:00 HRS)

GDR (1900 HRS) QUOTES "LE MONDE" ARTICLE ATTRIBUTING THE INDONESIAN PUTCH TO "INTERESTS OF AMERICAN OIL COMPANIES".

REPORTING ON ADENAUER'S RECEPTION IN THE SAAR, RADIO GDR SAYS IT HAS BEEN "COOL".

WILHELM PIECK CELEBRATES TODAY HIS 61ST BIRTHDAY. (3 JAN)

ELEVEN MACHINE FACTORIES IN GDR BEGAN ON WEDNESDAY THE 45-HOUR WORKING WEEK; THE LEADING ARTICLE IN "NEUES DEUTSCHLAND" (SEE ADN, NO. 1, 3 JAN) TITLED "NEW PLAN YEAR" SAYS EXPERIENCE IN MENTIONED 11 FACTORIES WILL SERVE THE PEOPLE'S CHAMBER TO DRAFT THE 45-HOUR LAW.

MARTIN RATHMANN (DS, 2 JAN, 1910 HRS) COMMENTS ON THE RETURN OF THE SAAR TO W. ADENAUER HAS SAID THAT GDR PEOPLE ALSO SHOULD ENJOY THE RETURN, BUT HE FORGETS THAT GDR HAD NOT BEEN ASKED ABOUT THE ISSUE. AFTER MAKING A HISTORY OF THE SAAR, THE COMMENTATOR WARNS HER, ON BEHALF OF GDR, AGAINST W. MILITARISM.

YUGO JAN 2-3, 1957

1. TANJUG HEADLINES 2 JAN.-

-YUGO-HUNGARIAN SOCCER (2); YUGO FORCES IN EGYPT (1).

2. CAPTIVE COUNTRIES.-

BULGARIA - (LUŽBJEJNA, 2 JAN, 1900 HRS) POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN BULGARIA IS THE TITLE OF A RADIO COMMENTARY. THE APRIL MEETING OF THE CC CP OF BULGARIA WAS FOLLOWED BY CHANGES BOTH IN FOREIGN AND INTERNAL POLICY. RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBOUR COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN IMPROVED, THOSE TRIED WITH KOSTOV HAVE BEEN REHABILITATED, AND CERTAIN ECONOMIC MEASURES AIMED AT INCREASING THE INTEREST OF PEASANTS HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED.

LIMITED TO CULT CRITICISM.-

DECISIONS OF THE 20TH CONGRESS OF THE CPSU WERE MIRRORED IN CRITICISM OF THE PERSONALITY CULT, BUT OTHER LESSONS OF THE CONGRESS HAVE BEEN NEGLIGED. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE BEARERS OF THE PERSONALITY CULT HAVE NOT BEEN
CRITICIZED, AND MOST OF THEM REMAINED ON THEIR POSTS. THEY
THOUGHT IT ENOUGH TO REHABILITATE THE INNOCENT AND CRITICIZE
THE CULT.

HUNGARY AND BULGARIA.-

THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUNGARIAN EVENTS, THE COMMENTARY CONTI-
NUES, HAD A SPECIAL INFLUENCE ON BULGARIA. THIS IS
MIRRORED IN THE LATEST DECISIONS OF THE PARTY AND THE GOVERNMENT,
ISSUED IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS. HUNGARIAN EVENTS WERE DESCRIBED
AS COUNTERREVOLUTION, ORGANIZED WITH COOPERATION OF REACTIONARY
AND FASCIST ELEMENTS IN THAT COUNTRY. YUGOV STRESSED THAT EX-
PECTATIONS OF REACTION IN BULGARIA WOULD NOT REALIZE. RABOT-
NICHESKO DELO CALLED FOR VIGILANCE AND COLLABORATION WITH
STATE SECURITY IN UNMASKING ENEMIES, REMNANTS OF THE COMPRO-
MISED POLITICIANS, ENCOURAGED BY HUNGARIAN EVENTS.

INTERNAL CONFLICTS

RADIO LJUBLJANA COMMENTARY CONCLUDES: ALL THESE OPINIONS
AND EVALUATIONS POINT TO THE GROWING INTERNAL CONFLICTS IN
BULGARIA, BETWEEN THOSE WHO ARE STRIVING FOR SOCIALIST DEMOCRACY,
RISE OF LIVING STANDARDS AND MATERIAL INTEREST OF PRODUCERS,
AND THOSE WHO WANT A RETURN TO THE PAST.

POLAND — (BELGRADE, 2 JAN, 1930 HRS) "LOOKING FOR A
POLISH WAY TO SOCIALISM" IS THE TITLE OF A CORRESPONDENCE
FROM WARSAW, BY ZIVOJIN STEKIĆ. IN ORDER TO FIND AN ANSWER
TO TWO QUESTIONS: WHAT IS THE PRESENT SITUATION IN POLAND,
AND HOW THIS COUNTRY ENTERS THE NEW YEAR, HE HAD TO INTERVIEW
A PHYSICIAN, A YOUTH, A TRADE UNION FUNCTIONARY, A DEPUTY
CANDIDATE, AN ECONOMIST, A WORKERS' COUNCIL MEMBER, ETCETERA.
HERE ARE SOME OF THE ANSWERS:

POLISH YOUTH PROGRAM

"THE OLD YOUTH UNION HAS DISPERSSED; TENS AND TENS OF
NEW PROGRAMS HAVE APPEARED, AND THAT MANY ORGANIZATIONS: BUT
SOME THINGS THEY HAVE IN COMMON: FIGHT AGAINST STALINISM,
FURTHER DEMOCRATIZATION, DEMAND FOR AN OWN WAY TOWARDS SOCIALISM,
INDEPENDENCE OF YOUTH MOVEMENT BEING IDEOLOGICALLY, BUT NOT
ADMINISTRATIVELY LED BY THE PARTY"

POLISH WORKERS' COUNCILS

"WORKERS" COUNCILS HAVE BECOME A REALITY. IN FORM
THEY ARE STILL TEMPORARY, IN CONTENT THEY ARE AN UNSEPARABLE
PART OF THE POLISH WAY TO SOCIALISM. SOMEWHERE, THERE ARE
TENDENCIES THAT WORKERS COUNCILS BECOME ADVISING BODIES, LIKE
IN CAPITALIST COUNTRIES. WE DON'T WANT THAT; WE WANT
TO BE OUR OWN MASTERS".

POLISH CATHOLICS

STEKIĆ CONTINUES HIS REPORT SAYING: I HAVE NOT TALKED
WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, BUT
I HAVE FOUND IN ABOUT TEN OF THE 56 CRACOW CHURCHES THE
SLOGAN: "PARENTS, GIVE A CATHOLIC EDUCATION TO YOUR CHILDREN".
CARDINAL WYŻYŃSKI, IN HIS YULE MESSAGE BROADCAST OVER RADIO
WARSAW HAS CALLED ON POLAND TO UNITE IN CHRIST.

PARTY, STALINIST DRIVING-BELT

STEKIĆ CONTINUES: THE PARTY MEMBERSHIP; THIS DRIVING-BELT
OF THE OLD STALINIST GEARING SYSTEM HAS BROKEN, AND THE UNTRUE
MYTH OF AUTHORITY ALSO. TO FIND A NEW, TRUE PARTY AUTHORITY,
WITHOUT FEAR, THIS TASK IS GROWING AND BECOMING A REALITY
BASED NOT ON ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTORSHIP, BUT ON THE REAL IDEA
OF BEING CONNECTED WITH THE MASSES.

POLAND'S FUTURE BY STEKIĆ

AND NOW, CONCLUDES STEKIĆ, MY MODEST CONCLUSION: POLAND'S
AIMS ARE FULL OF TRUE SOCIALIST CONTENT, I. E. SHE CONTINUES ON THE WAY OF SOCIALIST DEMOCRATIZATION, SOMETIMES EVEN GOING A STEP BACKWARDS TO MAKE AFTERWARDS TWO STEPS FORWARDS; SHE GOES HER OWN WAY, INDEPENDENTLY, AS THEY SAY HERE; LOOKING FOR A POLISH FORM OF SOCIALIST DEVELOPMENT.

NOTE: YUGO BROADCASTS ALSO QUOTE "TRYBUNA LUDU" INTERVIEW WITH DEPUTY PREMIER JAROSZEWICZ; RADIO WARSAW ON THE BYDGOSZCZ TRIAL; POLISH PRESS ON TITO'S INTERVIEW; "TRYBUNA LUDU" ON NEW SELF-ADMINISTRATION IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

3. NEW ITALIAN CRISIS?

IS A NEW CRISIS OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IMPENDING?

YUGOSPRESS COMMENTATOR RASTE MAGAJNO (?) COMMENTS (ZAGREB, 2 JAN, 1930 HRS):

THERE HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS SIGN RECENTLY, SHOWING THAT THE DIRECTORATE OF DEMO-CHRISTIANS INTENDS TO ARTIFICIALLY CREATE A GOVERNMENTAL CRISIS, IN ORDER TO DISOLVE THE PARLIAMENT AND FIX PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

HUNGARY AND ITALY.


FIGHT AGAINST ITSELF.

THE COMMENTATOR THEN STRESSES TWO ARTICLES PRINTED BY "PO-POLO" AND ATTACKING ITALIAN FOREIGN-POLITICAL LINE, TO CONCLUDE THAT DEMO-CHRISTIANS HAVE THUS PROVOKED A WAR AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT, IN WHICH THE DEMO-CHRISTIAN PARTY IS THE MAIN CONSTITUENT.

NEHRU, IKE, CHINA.

MAGAJNO SAYS THE SITUATION IS CRITICAL, SINCE DEMO-CHRISTIAN PRESS CONTINUES TO ATTACK THE GOVERNMENT'S FOREIGN POLICY. A SPECIAL PLACE IN THIS CRITICISM IS OCCUPIED BY NEHRU'S VISITING EISENHOWER: THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S POLICY WITH REGARD TO RECOGNITION OF CHINA HAS BEEN TERMED UNREALISTIC.

SENTIMENTAL EUROPEANISM

MAGAJNO SAYS THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FACES A DILEMMA: EITHER TO ADVOCATE A "SENTIMENTAL EUROPEANISM", OR TO HAVE A BROADER CONCEPTION IN WHICH ASIA SHOULD HAVE A MUCH BIGGER ROLE THAN UP TO NOW. MAGAJNO CONCLUDES: ITALIAN DEMO-CHRISTIANS HAVE TO EXPRESS CLEARLY WHETHER THEY STILL SUPPORT THE COALITION, AND ITS POLICY?

4. LIVING STANDARD IN SERBIA

(ZAGREB, 2 JAN, 1930 HRS) MIODRAG JEVRERMOVIC, SPEAKING ABOUT LIVING STANDARDS AS MAIN THEME OF ANNUAL CONGRESSES OF SERBIAN TRADE UNIONS, SAYS THE TRADE UNIONS HAVE EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO INCREASE WAGES OF QUALIFIED WORKERS, BUT IN FIRST PLACE THAT OF UNQUALIFIED ONES, AND OF FUNCTIONARIES, IN ORDER TO GIVE THEM A NECESSARY MINIMUM STANDARD.
ALBANIAN JAN 2 - 3, 1957

1. FOREIGN RELATIONS.
   (JAN. 2- TIRANA: 2200) TODAY ENVER HOXHA RECEIVED FIRST
   SECRETARY OF ALGERIAN CP. -
   FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR, ALBANIA WILL ATTEND THE WORK
   OF INTERNATIONAL GEOPHISICAL YEAR. TO THIS END, SHE WILL CONTACT THE
   SECRETARIAT OF THE WORLD'S METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION
   IN GENEVA AND THE REGIONAL SECRETARIAT FOR EASTERN EUROPE
   IN MOSCOW.
   (ATA-JAN. 2- ITEM 3) EIGHT SOLOISTS OF THE POLISH OPERA
   AND BALLET THEATRE HAVE ARRIVED IN ALBANIA. THEY WILL PER-
   FORM IN ALBANIAN TOWNS WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF ALBANIAN-
   POLISH CULTURAL ACCORD.

2. HOME NEWS.
   (JAN. 2- TIRANA: 2000) THE VLORE TANNIN EXTRACT FACTORY WILL
   PRODUCE THIS YEAR 230 PERCENT MORE TANNIN EXTRACT AND 28 PERCENT MORE
   SKINS THAN IN 1956.
   BUILDING INVESTMENTS FOR 1957 IN MEMALIAJ ARE DOU-
   BLE THOSE OF LAST YEAR.
   IN GJINOKASTER THIS YEAR THE VOLUME OF INDUSTRY WILL
   BE 25.6 PERCENT OVER 1956. NEW BUILDINGS WILL INCLUDE A
   TOBACCO FERMENTATION PLANT IN GJINOKASTER AND A REFRIGE-
   RATOR PLANT IN SARANDE. THE VOLUME OF WORK OF LOCAL BUILDING EN-
   TERPRISE WILL BE 72 PERCENT OVER 1956.
   (2200) INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN SHKODER DISTRICT THIS
   YEAR WILL BE 13.8 PERCENT OVER 1956. IN KUKES, SUBSCRIPT-
   IONS TO NEWSPAPERS TOTAL 3,100. THE PRESS CAMPAIGN IS OVER.