

INFORMATION ~~SECRET~~

CD NO

COUNTRY Yugoslavia

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DATE DISTR. 18 February 1949

SUBJECT Cominformist Activity Inside Yugoslavia

NO. OF PAGES 3

25X1A6a

PLACE ACQUIRED

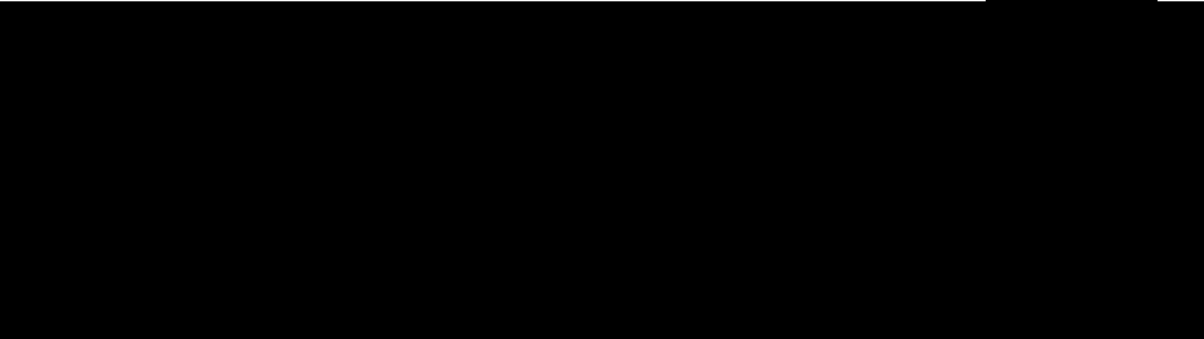
NO. OF ENCLS. (LISTED BELOW)

DATE OF IN

25X1X6

25X1A2g

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO.



1. The Cominform has stepped-up its clandestine activities within Yugoslavia during recent weeks. This activity takes form in the spreading of propaganda and the organization of various cells.
2. Illegal propaganda leaflets are found daily in the factories at Celje and Maribor. The following is the content of one such Cominform leaflet:

"Because of the bloody terror of Tito's group, the duties of the majority of the KPJ members become very difficult and complicated since the leading party circles are carrying on a policy of treason to the very end. Tito's faction is becoming more ruthless. The mightiest weapon in the fight against this treason among the leaders, is the profound studying of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin on the part of the KPJ members. Subversive, uncompromising and aggressive application of this learning can be carried into practice only under a strong determination to fight this cleverly masked policy of traitors which must be exposed at every step, at every occasion, and every day.

"Because of this, the first and basic order to all members of the KPJ is as follows: do everything in your power so that the greatest number possible of Communists receives and reads the articles which ideologically unmask the treason of Tito's group in matters of all concrete problems.

"It is evident that very little can be done without a successful solution of the problem of procuring, multiplying and spreading of this reading material. That is why members of the KPJ must display great initiative and resourcefulness in this regard as they have done before under illegal circumstances in pre-war Yugoslavia and in the hour of the national struggle for liberation. In this new struggle the word "material" assumes the same importance it had before. "Material" again becomes a precious means (weapon) because it is rare (there is not much of it). We have to do our utmost to provide more "material".

"Our work, however, should be easier in this respect than before. Now we have more paper, more radios, more mimeographs and more

WARNING NOTICE: THIS DISTRIBUTION LISTING MUST BE

STATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NAVY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	EXCISED BEFORE PUBLIC RELEASE OF THIS DOCUMENT.
ARMY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Document No. 6
 NO CHANGE in Class.
 DECLASSIFIED
 Class. CHANGED TO: RS S 0
 AUTH: DCM/MS/4/Apt 77
 Date: 15 MAY 1978
 28

~~SECRET~~

This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the Executive Order of October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States.
 Next Review Date: 2008

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

people who can and wish to write. The only thing necessary is organization. All that is necessary is a copy of the Informbiro organ "For Permanent Peace, and Peoples Democracy, an issue of Nova Borba (New Battle), one brochure Under the Flag of Internationalism, et cetera, and members of the KPJ will have had access to the right kind of informative material.

"Even if Rankovic's gang succeeds in temporarily preventing the procurement of printed matter, they cannot prevent the people from listening to radio broadcasts from Moscow and other peoples democracies, which continuously transmit large numbers of ideological texts. Remember the following radio transmissions schedule for Yugoslavia (the Yugoslav hour):

	hour	meters	(wave lengths)	
Moscow (Serbo-Croat)	7.30	25.08	25.23	
	18.30	25.08	30.8	
	20.00	30.8	41.12	377.4
Moscow (Slovene).....	21.30	30.80	41.12	377.4
	18.45	25.08	30.8	
	21.00	30.8	41.12	377.4
Prague	15.30	31.41		
	17.30	31.41	1935	
	20.30	49.92		
Bucharest.....	19.00	50		
Budapest.....	22.10	549		
Sofia	20.50	31.92		
Warsaw	22.20	391		
Tirana	18.00	48.25		
	21.00	38.22		

"That is why it is imperative to develop a 'listening in' service which will receive the news and commentaries for immediate distribution. Our actionists will not find this work difficult as they have had much experience from the heroic struggle of our party before the war and during the battles for liberation.

"Throughout the country it is necessary - with more enthusiasm than ever before - to establish cells and groups and to intensify the work. We should strive towards having these groups and circles well organized in every community, every district and every plant. This is a great task for all the members of the KPJ loyal to the interests of the working class and the proletarian internationalism united in an anti-imperialistic front with the USSR at the head and its teacher and leader of all progressive mankind - the great Stalin.

"Let us develop as much initiative and enthusiasm as possible in this work. Let us firmly and with determination undertake this work with the motto: 'Everything for a quick victory of the Lenin-internationalist line in the KPJ.'

3. Meanwhile, within Tito's Communist Party it becomes increasingly clear that the break with the Cominform is definite and final. Boris Kraigher is reported to believe that the cells have now been purged of all "undesirable Cominform elements". The slogans of the Party line as given for use at mass meetings read as follows:

"It should be explained to the Slovene people in carefully worded terms that the days are gone when the Komintern (Cominform) had a

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~

monopoly over the Communist parties and when overnight they would dissolve the central committees and replace them according to their choice. The Communist Party of Yugoslavia is not an accomplice whether it be in Indonesia or in some other colony where colonial methods are used. Gone are the days of international solidarity of the proletarians, gone are the days of the leading role of the Bolshevik party of the Soviet Union, because something new has been born, i.e. Tito's faction which will take over the leading role in the world's workers movement. The Bolshevik party together with other Communist parties in Bulgaria, Hungary, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Albania has taken on the imperialistic line, aiming to enslave Yugoslavia and to deprive her of her independence. We are not White Russia or the Ukraine to be treated in this way."

4. Kraigher is reported to have also stated that "...meanwhile, while we shed blood Dimitrov, Rakosi, Gottwald, Thorez, Togliatti and many others sat on the other side of the Urals, enjoying themselves while they waited for Soviet tanks to carry them to authority. We have won back our territory with our own hands, which is something they cannot claim for themselves - and for which they envy us. We know that the Cominform clique offers our true Yugoslavs abroad money, women and other means to lure these true Party followers of ours to sign with the Cominform."
5. Kraigher expresses himself in a completely different tone with reference to the Western Powers and says that, according to Djilas, Yugoslavia will enter into close commercial ties with the West, because only in that way can the Five-Year Plan be realized. These commercial ties will be of an economic nature only and will contribute towards carrying out in Yugoslavia a socialist economic order.
6. Confusion is evident in the Yugoslav Communist Party: For example, instructions were issued forbidding "reactionary" celebration of Christmas; no trees were to be cut or sold, and at first, the holiday was not to be celebrated; the workday schedule was to be lengthened by the udarnik method (shock work) and sectional meetings were to be called. Then an order appeared for a Christmas day celebration which would honor "Dedek Mraz" (Grandfather Frost) which the Soviet Union has been celebrating for the past ten years. "Grandfather Frost" was intended to replace the "superstitions of the Catholic church". Food rations were to be increased for this holiday and every effort was to be made to achieve a great public response. When Christmas day arrived, however, it was discovered by the authorities that great numbers of Christmas trees appeared on the markets and much enthusiasm was noticed on the part of the people, so much so that the authorities were fearful that the Catholics would take advantage of the holiday to celebrate according to their custom. They consequently issued an order once more calling for as little activity as possible during the holiday.
7. In the political field, the Yugoslav Communist is never quite sure whether or not he should sing the praises of "the great Stalin" or to complain about the injustices done to his comrades by Tito's Yugoslavs. The Yugoslav not on an official level can be sure only of criticizing the satellites and of permitting only the leaders to criticize the Soviets.
8. New court trials were held as a result of certain persons receiving the Matjazev Glas from abroad. Pavla De Comelli, a clerk at the Ministry for Public Works was sentenced to 12 years at hard labor; Joza Komljanec and Ojster Janko received similar sentences. A Dr. Bartol received five years at hard labor. New trials are being prepared for the Lajovic group and the Liberal Party supporters in Ljubljana, on charges of spreading anti-Communist propaganda and having illegal radio transmitters in their possession.

SECRET

SECRET