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### Tito Clique Lacks Support Of Yugoslav People

By I. Livanov

THE exposure of the Tito clique as a storm detachment of international imperialism has sharply changed the attitude of the Yugoslav people toward it. "Enemies of the Soviet Union and of the people's democracies are our enemies, too," say the peace-loving people of Yugoslavia, in whose name the fascist band of Belgrade rulers falsely claimed and still claims to be speaking.

The present Belgrade Government is as alien to its people as the people's interests are alien to it. Nowhere else, if you please, is there a government so hated by the people as is the Tito clique in Yugoslavia, and everything points to the fact that the gap yawning between the usurpers and the people is unbridgeable.

What, then, is the social base on which the Belgrade gang, beset as it is by the hatred of the people, leans for support? Anyone who is at all familiar with the situation in Yugoslavia will say straight out that the band has no social base, that the Tito clique has no support whatever among the people. One would hardly call a social base the few-score thousands of rural rich para-

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sites with whose help it robs and oppresses the country's toiling peasantry.

Vojvodina, for instance, has eight so-called co-operatives which are headed by kulaks and have been converted into landlords' estates; in them, under the guise of voluntary labor for the People's Front, corvée is exacted from the local peasants. As a matter of fact, the kulaks are doing quite well in other villages too. On joining the co-operatives they received large amounts of money for their farm implements, and last year they made fortunes speculating in currency. This privileged stratum of rich peasants, former gendarmes, Chetniks and collaborationists has again become the master in Yugoslavia's villages. This is the Titoites' only support in the countryside.

Among the urban population it is the profiteering merchants connected with high government officials who up-

erience that such people will carry out any order to please the boss.

With this in view, the Tito clique frees from jail all those who during the occupation collaborated with the German or Italian fascists and gives them jobs. Thus, before the recent elections to the Narodna Skupština, 7,000 hardened war criminals were released from jail long before the expiration of their sentences. These people, who assimilated the German fascists' methods in murdering Yugoslav patriots, are just the men for Rankovic. One of these is Sergeant Sergeni Sima. Formerly he served in the gendarmerie, then he was with Mikailovich's Chetniks, and he collaborated with the Germans. After releasing him from jail, Rankovic gave him a police job and an officer's rank. To please his bosses Sima does his best to terrorize and annihilate the populations of Kosovo and Metokhia.

ing people, to fan chauvinism and religious discord, that is, to do everything possible to suppress Yugoslavia's peoples' growing resistance to the Belgrade gang's fascist regime.

An "undercover" organization of this kind has been established in Sarajevo under the name of "Mladi Musilman" (Young Moslems), with branches in Skoplje, Bitolj and other cities. The membership consists of demoralized elements, who collaborate with Rankovic's secret police. This organization devotes itself to the spreading of religious strife to divert the attention of Moslems from the fight against Tito's fascist dictatorship.

Another "undercover" organization of this type is "Seljacka Serp" (Peasant Sickle), with headquarters in the city of Nish and branches in Pancevo, Belgrade, and other cities. Its task is to alienate the peasants from the workers

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hold the Tito clique and its anti-popular policy.

The workers, however, as well as the toiling peasantry and the best sections of the intelligentsia detest the fascists, who gained power through deceit and pushed the real representatives of the people out of the country's Government. Suffice it to state that in the so-called Narodna Skupština there is not a single worker at present employed in a factory, or a poor peasant working on a farm or in an industrial co-operative.

Without any social base or support among the people, the Tito band maintains itself in power solely with the aid of Rankovic's police. That is its only "real" bulwark. That accounts for the excessively swollen ranks of the secret police, and that is why Tito has so befriended Police Chief Rankovic. Him-

Muhar Jazendzhiu saw service in the Royal Guard at Rome, and later in the gendarmerie in Korcha, Albania. When the people of Albania took power into their own hands he fled to Greece. When he learned that a new Hitler had appeared in Yugoslavia, he made up his mind to go there. Of course, he was welcomed with open arms and was "appointed" to work under Rankovic.

Such are the people who make up the Yugoslav secret police—the UDB. This is the Tito gang's support, with whose help the Belgrade imposter uneasily clings to power.

Rankovic's mercenaries scour about the country eavesdropping and faking attempts on the lives of government officials which they use as an excuse to kill completely innocent people on the spot. That is the way Rankovic and

and to set them against each other. Enrolled in its ranks are the wealthy sections of the rural community. The urban rich, people who have held and now hold leading posts in industry, are united in still another, the third, "undercover" organization, the so-called "For Motherland and Tsar Party," with headquarters at Zagreb. The aim of this organization is to put King Peter back on the throne in Yugoslavia.

Incidentally, according to *Weltspresse*, a Vienna newspaper controlled by the British, Peter told press representatives that should he return to the throne he would not be averse to keeping Tito as head of the monarchical government. "There would be no essential difference between myself and Tito," the ex-king admitted to a correspondent of the French reactionary newspaper *Combat*.

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ler's Belgrade pupil and bloody executioner of the Yugoslav people. Tito dares not show himself without being surrounded by Rankovic's mercenaries, and his Government could not have lasted a single day had it not had their protection.

The venal spies, agents provocateurs, and murderers, whom Gestapo man Rankovic recruits for his secret police, are men of his kidney. By and large they are suspicious characters with criminal pasts, ranging from common criminals to former Ustashi. Rankovic deliberately picks people whose place under other circumstances would be in jail, for he knows from his own ex-

his suite hunt down Yugoslav patriots who are distasteful to Tito, his chief. Not infrequently people suspected of disloyalty to Tito's fascist regime (and mere suspicion is quite enough for Rankovic) get a bullet in the back right on the street of a city or village.

But open terrorism is not the only method used by the Tito clique as a substitute for the lack of support among the people and as a means for maintaining hangman Tito in power. With guidance by Rankovic, "undercover organizations," so to speak, have been set up in Yugoslavia, whose task is to disrupt the militant unity of the work-

The identity of views of the retired monarch and the incumbent fascist ruler of Yugoslavia is a touching spectacle. All that needs to be added is that the whole thing is a counterpart of the monarcho-fascist regime in Greece. And, exactly like the latter, Tito's fascist regime has no social base in his country. As is the case in monarcho-fascist Greece, the Tito clique relies on the support of the country's reactionary forces—Rankovic's Gestapo band and the corrupted top leadership of the army. Before long this insecure support will crumble before the onslaught of the masses of Yugoslavia.

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## Tito's Yugoslavia, Country of Prisons And Concentration Camps

By P. Zyablov

THE Tito-Rankovic fascist clique has betrayed Yugoslavia's national interests and done away with the independence of the republic.

The switch-over of the Tito clique to fascism is no accident. This move was carried out on orders from its bosses—the capitalist-imperialist warmongers, whose hirelings this clique has long been. The basic outcome of the transformation of the Tito-Rankovic clique into direct agents of imperialism and accomplices of the instigators of a new war is the virtual liquidation of the people's democratic system in Yugoslavia. Federative People's Republic of

democracies have revealed the Titoites to the entire world as enemies of peace, democracy, and socialism, as a storm detachment of the warmongers.

Lies and slander have always been the weapons of traitors. And the Belgrade rulers are committing monstrous acts of provocation against Bulgaria, Albania, and Hungary. The Titoites wail about the "aggressiveness" of the neighboring people's democracies, alleging that these countries lay claim to parts of Yugoslavia. While the Belgrade bandits—Tito, Pijade, Stambolic, Djilas, and the others—are provoking border incidents with these countries without let-

gressive citizens including the prominent Macedonian revolutionary, Petre Peruzeva-Maiski.

The Tito fascist gang is also subjecting the Albanian national minority of 900,000 to cruel terror. Before the war the Greater Serbia chauvinists mercilessly exploited the Albanians, seized their lands, and did not give them the opportunity to live in one place. During the war Albanians took an active part in the national liberation struggle, hoping that Yugoslavia's liberation from the fascist invaders would bring them a happy life and freedom. With the seizure of power by the Tito-Rankovic fascist clique, how-

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slavia. Federative People's Republic of Yugoslavia—that is the name which was proclaimed after the war, but the freedom-loving peoples can no longer call Yugoslavia by this name. Tito and his clique have converted Yugoslavia from a federative republic into a country of prisons and concentration camps. Stranglers of freedom and democracy, they are sanguinary hangmen of the Yugoslav peoples. They are pursuing a fascist policy of brutal oppression of the national minorities, depriving them of all rights to free development.

In their endeavor to undermine the unity of the peoples and to strengthen their domination in the country, the Belgrade fascists are fanning race hatred and chauvinism to the utmost. They have extracted from the archives and put into action all the features of the chauvinism of Greater Serbia, which is spearheaded against the Bulgarian, Albanian, Hungarian, Romanian and other national minorities within Yugoslavia.

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inspired by the imperialists, the Belgrade fascists, as is known, tried to carry out their dastardly plans to liquidate people's democracy in the countries of Central and Southeastern Europe and set up a so-called "Balkan federation," or Greater Serbian empire. But the vigilance of the peoples doomed these criminal plans to disgraceful failure. The trials of Yugoslav spies in the people's

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dents with these countries without let-up, they are at the same time making firebrand speeches claiming that Hungary, Bulgaria, and Albania plan to violate Yugoslavia's territorial integrity and sovereignty. On the pages of the fascist sheet *Borba*, Tito's henchman Mosa Pijade, the notorious spy and traitor to the Yugoslav people, has come out with the slanderous fabrication that the Bulgarian people are striving to unite three parts of Macedonia into a single independent state and thereby create a Greater Bulgaria at the expense of the territorial integrity of Yugoslavia and Greece.

The meaning of all this slander is clear. It is aimed at undermining the prestige of the real people's democracies in the eyes of the Yugoslav people and at sowing enmity and hatred in the Serbs, Croats, and Slovenians for the national minorities inhabiting Yugoslavia—the Bulgarians, Albanians, Romanians, Hungarians, and others.

The national minorities in Tito Yugoslavia are being subjected to unpreceded repressions and despotism. The

slavia are being subjected to unprecedented repressions and despotism. The same terror reigns today in Yugoslav Macedonia as did during the years of fascist occupation. There is nothing surprising in this. The "leader" of the Macedonian republic is that experienced agent of the Serbian fascist police Lazar Kolisevski, known throughout the country as the murderer of hundreds of pro-

by the Tito-Rankovic fascist clique, however, the position of the Albanian national minority became even worse than under the monarchy. While the war was still going on Tito's agents began persecution of the Albanian population. The Titoites killed 10 times more Albanians between November, 1944, and March, 1945, that is, in half a year, than perished in the 30 years of the reign of Karadjordje.

Fierce fascist terror is reigning now in the Albanian villages of Yugoslavia. Thousands of peaceful and innocent citizens have been driven into concentration camps. To glean an idea of the pressure that the Belgrade rulers bring to bear on the Albanians living in Kosovo-Metohia (a region in Yugoslavia inhabited by Albanians) it is sufficient to point out that the entire Yugoslav Fifth Army is concentrated in this region. The Albanians enjoy no rights whatsoever. Even in purely Albanian villages Tito's agents, and not representatives of the Albanian population, occupy all the positions of authority in

occupy all the positions of authority in the local government bodies, in the co-operative administrations, and in the other organizations. In many villages and districts where the population speaks only Albanian, as in Gornaya Reka or in Kichevsk Uyezd, teaching in the native tongue is not permitted. Many villages are deserted, since all the able-bodied

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population has been driven off to forced labor in the mines.

The Tito clique is also subjecting citizens who are Czechs or Slovaks to cruel persecution, especially those who have expressed a desire to return to Czechoslovakia. Rankovic's hangmen are wreaking brutal reprisals on Czechs and Slovaks who express their disagreement with the anti-Soviet and anti-democratic

have barred their way to free development. The Belgrade obscurantists suppress their national culture, deprive their children of the opportunity of studying in school in their native language and of reading native literature. They have disbanded the organizations of the national minorities and arrested and wiped out their honest leaders.

Tito's Belgrade gang fans chauvinism

toughs from Belgrade and other towns of Serbia. Nor is there anything surprising in the fact that top-ranking posts in the fascist state apparatus are held by such prominent figures of the old regime and ideologists of Greater Serbia chauvinism as the royal diplomat, Simic, the publisher of a privately-owned reactionary newspaper, Ribnikar, and others.

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ment with the anti-Soviet and anti-democratic policy of the fascist rulers. The Slovak, Stefan Kondac, was arrested and cruelly tortured because he refused to take part in a campaign of slander against the Soviet Union and the Czechoslovak Republic. Mikhail Kardelis, organizer of the partisan Slovak brigade in Yugoslavia, was killed "while attempting to escape" when being transferred from one prison to another.

The Titoites do the same to all national minorities. Oppressing and persecuting them, the Yugoslav fascists

Tito's Belgrade gang fans chauvinism not only against the Albanians, Bulgarians, Hungarians, Romanians and Slovaks. It is also intensifying its persecution of such peoples as the Montenegrins, Macedonians, Bosnians and Herzegovinians, who are putting up particularly active resistance to the fascist tyranny. In Montenegro, Bosnia, Vojvodina, Macedonia, and other national territories, the local officials are being squeezed out as "unreliable," and in their place are being put primarily Greater Serbia chauvinists, Titoite

and others.

Such are the facts. The Tito-Rankovic clique has converted Yugoslavia into a prison of the peoples. But the nationalistic and chauvinistic fascist policy of the Belgrade traitors is hateful to the Yugoslav peoples. Irrespective of nationality, the working people of Yugoslavia are striving for unity and are intensifying their fight against the despotic regime of Tito's clique, their fight for Yugoslavia's return to the ranks of the champions of peace, democracy, and socialism.

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THE trials of the Yugoslav spies held in Albania, Hungary, Bulgaria, and other people's democracies have revealed to the entire world that the fascist Tito clique is an agency of the imperialists which is being utilized by them for preparing a new war against the USSR and the people's democracies. The Titoites subserviently carry out the order of their masters, the warmongers, to turn Yugoslavia into a military-strategic bridgehead in the Balkans.

Belgrade-Skopje strategic highway. On orders of the imperialists several dozen airdromes for heavy bombers have been built along this highway. Of late a large number of landing fields for jet aircraft are being set up at a rapid pace. The reconstruction and fortification of the naval port of Split, which is to serve as a base for battleships, has been started. Fortifications are feverishly being raised on the borders of Yugoslavia with the countries of people's democracy.

the Soviet Army which liberated the peoples and saved civilization from the Hitlerite plague. The terror extends to all servicemen. Last year the Titoite butchers killed Colonel General Arso Jovanovic, chief of the General Staff, hero of the national liberation struggle, and loyal son of the Yugoslav people. Languishing in the dungeons of Rankovic are Lieutenant General Brankov Plianacs, Major General Petricevic, and many other true fighters for the freedom and independence of Yugoslavia. The

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This was recently admitted by the chief spy, Tito, in the interview he gave to a correspondent of the *Times*. According to the Telepress Agency, Tito frankly admitted that he and his gang would be on the side of the imperialists in the war which the latter are preparing against the Soviet Union and the people's democracies.

The Titoites are doing everything possible to carry out this criminal plan. This is convincingly shown by the budget of Titoite Yugoslavia which assigns 34 per cent of all expenditures in 1950 for military purposes. When the fact is taken into consideration that forced labor and the labor of army units are extensively used for military construction, it becomes clear that the actual expenditures for military purposes are considerably higher. The Government has a special fund, comprising 9.1 per cent of the entire budget, for espionage and the organization of diversions and sabotage in the camp of peace and democracy.

Preparation of a military strategic bridgehead on the territory of Yugoslavia is in full blast now. Automobile highways of military significance and military airdromes are under construction, naval ports are being extended, and naval bases built. Big airdromes have been set up in the Belgrade area near the village of Baitanica. Thousands of working people are compelled by force to work for the third consecutive year on building the Trieste-Zagreb-

The Tito-Rankovic clique is exerting all efforts to set up a mass army and to turn it into submissive cannon fodder for war against the socialist countries.

Today the Yugoslav Army has more men than the People's Liberation Army had at the end of the Second World War. Tito's army now numbers 700,000 men. It should also be taken into account that there are 300,000 men in the Titoite militia and a similar number in Rankovic's political police. This means that Titoite Yugoslavia has about 1,300,000 men under arms. Four-fifths of the entire contingent which could be called up under general mobilization is already conscripted.

This is an enormous army for Yugoslavia. The Belgrade fascists intend to use it not for the noble purpose of defending the interests of the working people, but for the interests of the war provokers. With this object in view the Titoites have struck a blow first of all at the officer's corps, seeking to remove from the army all higher and senior officers undesirable to them, that is, the most active, conscious, and revolutionary section which emerged from the ranks of the people during the guerrilla war and which firmly adheres to democratic views.

The terror in the army, as well as throughout the country, has attained monstrous proportions. Officers and soldiers are forbidden to speak about the Soviet Union as the great and sincere friend of the Yugoslav people, about

Titoites killed, imprisoned, or demobilized and deprived of rank about 10,000 officers, that is, more than one-third of all the officers of the Yugoslav Army. Besides this, more than 2,000 non-commissioned officers are kept in prisons.

Neither vicious terror nor brutal violence, however, can crush the struggle of the patriotic officers against the Tito clique. Lieutenant Colonel Ivan Konte, who was tortured for a long time in prison, declared in court: "You can kill me, but you cannot annihilate all of us."

Ruthlessly dealing with genuine patriots of the Yugoslav people, the Tito-Rankovic clique flung open the doors of the officers corps and the army to the enemies of the people—fascist and bourgeois nationalist elements—reactionary officers of the old royal army, Chetniks and Ustasi. Senior and higher officers are promoted from their midst: crimes against the people are their common bond with the Titoite clique.

While trying to disarm the army ideologically, the Titoites hasten to equip it with foreign arms and to create with the help of their imperialist masters a force capable of performing the foulest deeds. Large quantities of arms were transferred from Salzburg, Austria, to Yugoslavia in February, according to a report of *For a Socialist Yugoslavia*, a newspaper of Yugoslav political emigrés. Each of the many trains had 60 cars loaded with tanks, and guns. Among the armaments was also Ger-

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man materiel, as for example units for the launching of German jet shells—"V-2." With these trains there also traveled German officers of the former Hitlerite army in the capacity of instructors.

The Belgrade fascists have, in fact,

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gotten the fate of the Hitlerite satellites who dreamed, together with the "fuehrer," of world domination . . . They have also forgotten that the last word belongs to the people. And the Yugoslav people, like all peoples of the world, will not let themselves be deluded by enemy propaganda which seeks to lull their vigilance. They are joining their voice to the voice of all peoples who are de-

manding that the instigators of a new war be curbed.

The Yugoslav people are intensifying their struggle against the fascist regime. They are setting up their own armed forces, anti-Titoite guerrilla detachments. The struggle of the people against the anti-national Tito-Rankovic clique is growing with each passing day.

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## The Yugoslav People's Struggle Against the Tito Clique

By P. Zyablov

DAY by day the struggle of the working people in Yugoslavia against the fascist Tito regime is growing more intense. It is gaining a greater mass following, becoming better organized, and finding expression in new forms. All sections of the Yugoslav people, workers, peasants and intellectuals, youths and girls, men and women, are taking part in the heroic struggle.

There are facts bearing witness to the popular character of the struggle. For instance, despite stern repressive measures taken by Rankovic's mercenaries on the eve of the so-called elections to the Skupština to compel the

and export of strategic raw and other materials wanted by the instigators of a new war. The response of the unmercifully exploited miners, lumberjacks, and workers in a number of other industries to the Titoites' motto "all for export" is to leave their jobs by the thousands. Thus, the fascist, Stambolic, officially admitted that of the 628,000 workers driven to work in Serbian industry, 430,000 or nearly 70 per cent ran away during the first 10 months in 1949. More than half of the miners refuse to dig coal. At the Racko Pavlovic Chemical Works in the city of Zemun near Belgrade, it is not

The Kulpin Canning Factory in the city of Novi-Sad with a working force of 300 women has a labor turnover of 25 per cent per month.

In Croatia, about 20 per cent of the workers in heavy industry plants and mines stay away from work daily in protest against the policy of the Belgrade rulers; in the building trades the percentage is 28, and in the timber industry it is 23 per cent. Leather goods workers are regularly decreasing their labor productivity too. To cite one example, the workers of the Proleter Shoe Factory in Belgrade carried through a slow-down strike, reducing the daily

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THE Tito fascist clique is an abominable product of the darkest forces of international reaction. The imperialists rightly regard Tito as Hitler's successor. It is no accident that when the fascists captured power in Germany the Tito-Rankovic clique was in the service of the Hitlerite Gestapo which later turned over the Yugoslav traitors to the secret services of other imperialist powers.

Irrefutable facts revealed at the trials



By A. Kalinin

Leko Rankovic, one of the leaders of the Communist Party. Both the prosecutor and the judge were certain of a negative answer but, contrary to their expectations, Becharovic told the truth. "Yes, I knew," he replied. "Two of my assistants and I knew it. The passport in the name of engineer Persic was given Rankovic by my employee."

This is how Becharovic exposed Rankovic and upset the entire comedy trial of their confreres staged by the Titoites.

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Soviet Union and the entire camp of democracy and socialism.

Fearing exposure, the Titoites constantly expanded and reinforced Rankovic's Gestapo machinery, exterminating Yugoslav Communists who adhered to the positions of internationalism and all true patriots of the country. Every free expression of progressive, democratic thoughts endangers one's life and freedom. Party organizations which came out against the Belgrade rulers

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of Koche Dzodze, Laszlo Rajk, and Traicho Kostov showed that while thousands of Yugoslav patriots were brutally put to death in the torture chambers of the Gestapo, the ringleaders of the Titoite gang, including Rankovic, were at liberty because they were already at that time agents of the imperialist secret services. This is also confirmed by other voluminous data.

A trial was recently held in Belgrade of Bojidar Becharovic, who was in charge of the department fighting communism in Nedic's police, Svetozar Vukmanovic, chief of a camp in Bozice, Nikolai Guborev, and their hangers-on. The Titoites were forced to organize this trial of their former adherents under the pressure of the masses who were outraged by the fact that these butchers not only suffered no punishment but even served as instructors in the UDB, the State Security Administration. By

organizing this trial, the Yugoslav rulers pursued at the same time the object of distracting the attention of the working people of the country from the trials of Laszlo Rajk and Traicho Kostov which exposed the Tito clique as guilty of treachery, espionage, and the organization of assassinations. But things turned out differently.

At the trial Prosecutor Juric, thinking that he knew in advance the answer of the defendant, asked Becharovic if he knew that the man who had been in the prison hospital of the Gestapo under the name of engineer Persic was

The Tito clique was forced to cut short the trial and shoot the defendants, not for their sanguinary deeds but in order to conceal their traces, in order to avoid more exposures.

While serving the Gestapo, the Tito clique betrayed many Communists and patriots. Thus Vukmanovic (Tempo) betrayed the Communist Party and Young Communist League organization in Sarajevo in 1941. Hundreds of young patriots were then cast into prison and concentration camps, many of them were killed. In the same year Tito's colleague Velebit denounced members of the Central Committee of the Croatian Communist Party who met at his villa.

Thus the Belgrade hirelings of imperialist reaction, even before coming to power, destroyed by various means the finest sons of the Yugoslav people.

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The Information Bureau discussed the situation in the Communist Party of Yugoslavia and unanimously adopted a resolution on this question.

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The Information Bureau regards as disgraceful such actions as the expulsion from the Party and the arrest of the Central Committee members, Comrades Djurovic and Hebrang because they dared to criticize the anti-Soviet attitude of the leaders of the Yugoslav Communist Party, and called for friendship between Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union.

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