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Re : Soviet Ukrainian Scholars at the International Congress of Animal Reproduction and Artificial Insemination in Paris, France, 22-27 July 1968

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1. ^{Kiy} KVASNITSKYI, Alexei Volodymyrovich, Prof. Academician, of Poltava Scientific Research Institute of Pig Breeding, Poltava, UkrSSR. He took part at Trento Congress in 1964. In Paris he seemed to be more outspoken and "ostentatious" with his Ukrainian nationality, ~~than in Italy.~~ Also his female assistant Nina MARTYNYENKO spoke all the time Ukrainian. Indirectly he admitted that "things were not going too well in the Ukraine" but he hoped for the better. According to K. "the ferment among intellectuals in the Ukraine was much stronger" than Source thought. He did not want, however, to go into detail.

2. ^{L.A. 6. 24. 1931} KURYLO, fnu... of Poltava Scientific Research Institute. Ukrainian, aged approx. 35-38, works under KVASNITSKYI. He stems from Volynska Oblast. K. knew about "recent" arrests and trials and claimed to have read Chornovil, Karavansky and others. About DZIUBA Ivan he said that "he was released and freed". K. was very optimistic about the future of "Ukrainian cause" in the Soviet Union placing great hopes on young generation like himself and the younger. Originally wanted to take Chornovil's book but then changed his mind and thought it was better not. K. was not at Trento Congress in 1964, in Italy.

According to K. recently in the Ukraine in many cases children are being admitted to Ukrainian or Russian schools, respectively, not according to parents' decision but in compliance with child's nationality stated in birth certificate. K. explained it as a "slight deviation" from Khrushchev's school - rule on the matter of 1958/59. K. considered it to be in favor of Ukrainians.

Also, according to K. there has been issued a "tacit instruction" by highest authorities in the Ukraine to "tolerate and use Ukrainian language in public places" and avoid any unnecessary irritating of

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Ukrainians.

3. *OSTASHKO, P.I., of Scientific Research of Animal Husbandry, of Kharkov, UkrSSR, was also present at Trento Congress. Contrary to his behaviour in Italy, this time he was not afraid to speak Ukrainian. He even tried to be very friendly with Source, gave him his publications and stressed that now his Research Station had to publish all their works only in Ukrainian. O. was together with his wife.

4. *AVREVA H.V., Prof., of Lvov. Nothing of interest. She was at Trento Congress in 1964.

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5. *ZORIN, I.G. did not come to Paris, allegedly because of some illness.

6. On the whole the Soviet Ukrainians in Paris behaved more freely and "sovereign" than in Trento. They gladly entered into conversation though preferred to talk about "banalities" and professional matters avoiding political topics. One evening they expressed even the wish to go ^{to} a nightclub but unfortunately Source could not take them there.