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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
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1 January 1951.

1. POLITICAL - The Activities of Albanian Emigres.

(a) Yugoslav-sponsored Resistance

Yugoslavia is still active in recruiting Albanian refugees for resistance activities.

In February 1950 source was approached by a representative from the Yugoslav Ministry of the Interior and asked to recruit Albanians from the SKOPLJE area to spread propaganda in Albania. The Yugoslav authorities alleged that they had agents operating throughout the country, collecting information and spreading subversive propaganda. Their ultimate aim was to annex Albania to Yugoslavia.

(Albanian Army Officer who crossed into Greece from Yugoslavia in July 1950)

Albanian refugees at PRESHVA in Yugoslavia have recently been contacted by NIK SOKOLI, claiming to represent the Yugoslav Government, and asked to take part in a large-scale raid into Northern Albania. He claimed that the Yugoslavs would not only provide sufficient small arms for the raiders, but would make available a certain number of Yugoslav Socialist troops and supply further arms for the equipment of 4,000 sympathizers within Albanian territory. It is thought, however, that if the Yugoslavs were in good faith, they would not have chosen a man such as Nik SOKOLI as their emissary.

(Source: Members of the Balli Kombetar in Italy)

(b) Attempted Recruitment of Albanians for Italian Operations

Khafiz DEVA, the ex-Albanian Minister of the Interior and a member of the A.K.I., visited Istanbul at the end of November. He was contacted by FIENGA, head of Italian Naval Intelligence in Bari. During the visit, DEVA attempted to recruit thirty Albanians for a Special Mission and intended that they should return to Italy with him. The emigres would not concur to the proposal without reference to ex-King ZOG, and DEVA went back to Italy empty-handed.

(Source: Albanian refugees in Turkey)

(c) A Subversive Group in the Valona Area

In July 1950 a group of three men, equipped with wireless, was active in the VALONA area. Claiming to operate under the auspices of the "Western Powers", they were recruiting anti-government collaborators.

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2. MILITARY

(a) Tank Formation

There is an Independent Tank Regiment within the Albanian Army, with Headquarters at TIRANA. The Regiment has a strength of 30 tanks of which the majority are 34-ton tanks. It also possesses some 54-ton "JOSEPH STALIN" types.

(Source: Albanian Army Officer who deserted in March 1980)

(b) Ammunition Supplies

Ammunition is shipped to DURAZZO from the Baltic port of DUNYIA in the following ships:

USS "PROBHUK"
USS "RALTYK"
USS "RIALYSTOK"
USS "MARVIK"
USS "LAWANT"

Czech "TATRA" lorries, as well as arms and ammunition of Soviet manufacture are also carried by these ships.

(Source: Informant in the French Naval Intelligence Service)

3. SECURITY

(a) Frontier Defence Force

The authority responsible for Frontier Defence and for the control of two Pursuit detachments is now known as the DREJTORIA E RUPIMIT. It was formed at the end of 1949 to replace the former frontier force, the DRF., and is subordinated to the Ministry of the Interior.

(Source: Deserter from the Frontier Defence Force who crossed into Greece in September 1950 and an Albanian Army Captain who deserted in March 1950)

4. PORTS

(a) Submarines in VALONA

A schoolmaster who was employed near VALONA and fled to Greece in July 1950, reported that no submarines have been observed in VALONA and there is no indication that any submarine pens are in course of construction.

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