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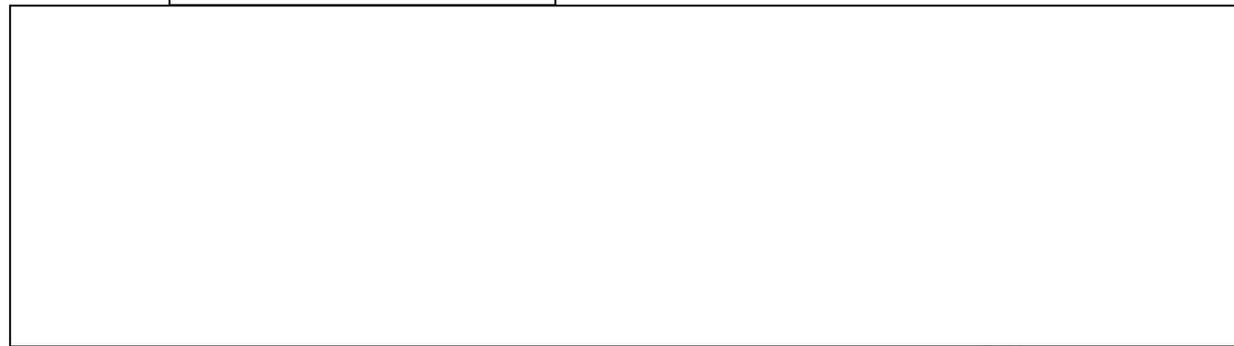
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1. Prior to 23 May 1950 the Ministry of the Interior was composed of the so-called cabinet of ministers, the administrative department (presidialni odbor) and six sub-departments including those for legislation, public administration, communal financial and personnel affairs, personnel, public security and matriculation. Each of these departments was composed of a number of sections (oddeleni).
2. Almost all of Department V (Public Security), part of Department IV (Personnel) and the supervision and control of Department VI (Matriculation) were transferred to the Ministerstvo narodni bezpecnosti (Ministry of National Security- MNB) as of 23 May 1950.
3. The MNB is charged with the protection of the people's democratic state and its organization, the protection of state borders, the security of persons and real property as well as the maintenance of public order and security. The following are basic functions in the accomplishment of these missions:
 - a. Command and administration of the National Security Corps (SNB).
 - b. Approval of the establishment of security agencies of all types.
 - c. Maintenance of local security (mistni bezpecnost) through SNB agencies.
 - d. Execution of regulations pertaining to the possession of arms, ammunition, and explosives with the exception of those of the armed forces.
 - e. Police registry.
 - f. Execution of police regulations pertaining to aliens.
 - g. Execution of regulations pertaining to civil documents (obcansky prukaz).
 - h. Execution of regulations pertaining to the issuance of passports.
 - i. Administration and supervision of penitentiaries and labor camps.
 - j. Control of agencies charged with surveillance.
 - k. Radio control.
 - l. Traffic control on roads, railroads, waterways and in the air.
 - m. Control of all issues relating to carrier pigeons
 - n. Issuance of regulations pertinent to all functions mentioned above.

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4. Missions left to the Ministry of the Interior include responsibility for the following:
 - a. Fire protection and fire brigades, emergency measures in natural catastrophes and air raid protection.
 - b. Issues relating to associations, organizations, clubs, etc.
 - c. Administrative jurisdiction.
 - d. Regulations concerning uniforms, flags and insignia.
 - e. Local security.
 - f. Military administrative issues as military pensions, sick pay and paramilitary training.
 - g. Control of theater and motion picture theater performances.
 - h. Offences against laws for the protection of crops, agricultural work and forestry.
 - i. Maintenance of public morals, control of alcoholism, narcotics, prostitution, venereal diseases.
 - j. Protection of animals.
 - k. Care for graves.
 - l. Issues pertaining to lost property offices.
5. More than six months after its establishment the MNB is still in an embryonic stage and subject to frequent organizational changes. The first departments to be transferred from the Ministry of the Interior were the SNB and the Tabor Mucene Prace (organization of labor camps - TRP). The organization of the latter was altered and its guard personnel was transferred to the MNB. Responsibility for prisons is not as yet completely clear as it was originally planned that only civil prisons would be under the direction of the MNB while prisons in which penalties for major criminal offenses are served, would remain under the direction of the Ministry of Justice. However, the MNB is attempting to bring the latter prisons under its control as well because it would then control the entire uniformed Sbor vezenske straze (jailers corps-SVS).
6. Minister of the Interior Vaclav Nosek and Security Minister Ladislav Kopriva are in disagreement on these and similar issues. Nosek is said to be offended because his ministry was deprived of these important functions and particularly because they were delegated to a person who formerly served in a capacity subordinate to him.

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