

NAME DOSTI, Hasan

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DATE 10 February 1950

NATIONALITY Albanian BIRTHDATE 24 October 1895
 BIRTHPLACE Gjinokaster
 PRESENT POSITION President, Balli Kombetar RACE White
 SEX Male
 LOCATION New York, U.S.A. MARITAL STATUS
 NAME OF SPOUSE
 GEN. OCCUPATION Politician CHILDREN
 RELIGION
 EDUCATION Studied law in France POLITICAL AFFILIATION Balli Kombetar
 LANGUAGES Italian, Greek, French, Turkish ATTITUDE TOWARDS: U.S.
 HONORS U.S.S.R.

CAREER:

--- Practiced law.
 1929-1936 Imprisoned several times for political reasons, during Zog's regime.
 1941-1942 Minister of Justice, Mustafa Kruja cabinet, December 1941-May 1942.
 1942-1943 President, Criminal Division of High Court, appointed May 1942; dismissed
 for anti-German activities, August 1943.
 1942 Member, original cell, Balli Kombetar.
 1943 Balli Kombetar representative in meeting with representatives of Council
 of National Liberation to plan united action against Germans, August.
 1944 Co-Vice president, Albanian Institute of Arts and Sciences;
 Member, Midhat Frasheri's "Mountain" government, Preza;
 Escaped to Italy.
 1949 President, Balli Kombetar (replacing deceased Midhat Frasheri).

REMARKS:

Before the war Dosti was regarded as the most capable jurist in Albania and enjoyed a certain popularity as a man of high principles and liberal views. He is widely respected by Albanian political exiles, but lacks the aggressiveness necessary for leadership. He is much too timid for any bold action.

A member of the Kruja cabinet, regarded as the cruelest of the Italian puppet governments in Albania, Dosti resigned when he realized the full extent of Kruja's collaboration with Fascist Italy. Dosti is listed as a war criminal by the Hoxha regime which accuse him among other things of being responsible as Minister of Justice for the large-scale massacres, imprisonments, and confinements of the people.

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