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<p>PERTINENT INFORMATION</p> <p>"A despatch from the American Consulate, Stuttgart to the State Department, dated 24 Nov 48, contains information on the Hungarian Christian Peoples' Movement (Magyar Keresztény Népmozgalom). This information was supplied by Josef PATAKFALVI, secretary of the movement...</p> <p>PATAKFAI reports that General FARAS, leader of the Hungarian Freedom Movement, has been very well treated by high French officials and has been a guest at Baden-Baden at least three times. On one occasion he was entertained by General Pierre KOENIG, CG of the French forces of occupation. PATAKFAI also states that the British Consul General in Munich is also in close contact with FARAS.</p> <p>The consulate despatch contains also information on another Hungarian group called 'Hungaristen'. The leader of this group Field Marshall Arpad von HENKEL, called at the consulate on 16 Nov 48. He asserted that many right-wing members of the Hungarian Freedom Movement did not approve of the policy pursued by its leader, General Ferenc FARAS, and were expected to join his (HENKEL's) group which, he said, is already the largest Hungarian exile organization in Germany and Austria. Leader of the dissidents is Lajos LISTAY, FARAS' deputy, a former Budapest bank expert now residing at Wald Kirchen, Germany. Despite personal difficulties and differences in basic principles, HENKEL said he was eager to work with General FARAS and other exile leaders to form a 'Hungarian Committee', which would unite entire groups in Germany and Austria..."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS IS ALL THE INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE SUBJECT IN THIS DOCUMENT.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOURCE/METHOD EXEMPTION 3B2 NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT DATE 2006</p>				
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