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Excerpt of pertinent information:

1. Marshal Malinovsky informed Radescu on 17 January that he was very pleased with the fighting of the Rumanian troops. Radescu told source, however, that little if any mention of this was made in the official Russian communiques and publicity material. Also he said the Russians are constantly taking equipment of German or Russian origin from the Rumanians, leaving them without essentials.

2. Radescu is pleased with Russian conduct toward him and the government, which underwent a change after 1 January, when he made his public criticism of the Russian pressure on the Rumanian economy. In some cases the Russian offers of aid and suggestions of compromise on the difficulty of this situation were the best since the Russians' entry into Rumania. Radescu thinks this may be due to the Russians' sensitivity to Anglo-American censure.

3. Radescu, on the recent return of Gheorghiu Dej, Communist Communications Minister, from Russia: thinks little of Dej's so-called success in getting 2500 railroad cars of the Russians since they were already promised to Radescu by Vinogradov. He suspects that Dej gave more time in Moscow to political matters than to the main purpose of his mission, else he should have brought more concrete results.

4. According to Radescu the government's situation is very good and it has the support of representatives of all political parties. Recent enactments indicate law only 1 example unified support government highly controversial law and all parties agreed with principal points on which Radescu insisted. Radescu was critical of the disagreeable political situation created by the internal struggle and the disagreements with the National Peasant Party. He says that he is getting more support now from the Communists than from the National Peasant. Comment: Another well-placed source close to Radescu is less optimistic. He says that progress is made only with great difficulty and is owed almost entirely to the indefatigable work of Radescu, who carries even minor government matters. . .

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