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~~to G. I. Iancu~~
~~Paris, December 7, 1951~~

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Dear General:

I hope you have received my letters; since my book appeared I am very afraid that they will be "pinched" by the Communists who fill the Post Office. Or if not stolen, at least photographed.

This letter will reach you through a friend whom I asked to help me for occasions when I have to communicate important things.

Mr. Dianu confirmed my suspicions: a letter which he sent to London did not get there but appeared among the papers of the Communist lawyers during a session of the trial of "the Traitors' International". I saw ^(Mr.) Dianu to-day. He asked me to appear as a witness at the trial which will have a new hearing in February. One of the lawyers, Mr. Izard - Kreavchenko's lawyer too - told Mr. Dianu that this trial with international fame will become the trial of the satellite governments by the free citizens of the occupied countries. Mr. Dianu seems well intentioned; the Hungarians seem to appear well prepared, the Bulgarians headed by Dimitroff, the same.

Mr. Dianu says that he wrote about that a month ago to Mr. ^{Charles F.} ~~Chavila~~ but he has not yet received an answer. He also told me that he heard that you will come to Europe. I wish it could be true. Please let me know what you think about me appearing as a witness at the trial. The best would be for you to have the opportunity to come here on February 24, to tell them in person about it better than I did in the book. I had the list of the prosecution exhibits: it starts with the protest raised by Mr. Gafencu at the peace conference about Bessarabia, etc.. and ends with your pamphlet "Forced Labor in Romania".

You are better acquainted with Mr. Dianu than I am. I saw him for the third time. He is not angry with me any more since I did not let him storm in your office at the Grand Hotel while you were sick, (Mr. Dianu thought ~~me~~ I did not want to receive him, because he heard me tell to I don't know who in the hall of the Grand Hotel that I have a very low estimate of the majority of our diplomats

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sent abroad by our governments before 1959; with few exceptions, the rest were cute: socialites).

In the end I suppose that Mr. Dianu wants to bring a real service to the country I hope.

Monday night I saw Mr. Răutu. I explained the Committee of the Association of Free Romanians in Paris that I do not sabotage them. I have been hospitalized and then I had the luck to leave on a vacation. I write for the "Românul" and I ask them not to think that the /national-/ peasants bought me out as somebody said it ^{Sch} ~~(Mamilla)~~

I will try to obtain through the acquaintances I made since I am an "author", the functioning licence of the Association of Free Romanians in France. Before I start knocking at the doors I would like to hear your opinion.

Mr. George ^{Geo} Răutu, as well as the others members of the Committee are sad because they would like to make some demonstrations at least through festivals (Oh God): they do not lack initiative, but money. Mr. Răutu says that even leaving of Romanians if there are no funds /issuing of the "Românul"/ I am sorry to see that one cannot find any ideas to solve this question. According to me, there are many things to be done. But they are right here; one cannot move.

The others are buying consciences. This would not be too important in itself, since the people who let themselves be bought are uninteresting. The phenomenon is disgusting. And dangerous because it seems they are the moral authors of the expulsion of ^{Amil} ~~Mr. Vasiliu-Cluj~~ ^(P.G.). (The situation of Mr. Cluj will be straightened, but I suspect that the French Police is bored by all the ~~wxxx~~ string pulling and intrigues of those who have no other occupation.) I am not in the position to give you details of the string pulling connected with Mr. Cluj's deportation. You know I do not like to speak without grounds. George Răutu says that the denial of the licence for the functioning of the Association of Free Romanians is due to them.

I do not know when these painful details will stop. I always said you were a saint, having to work with such people. In my opinion the politicians will quarrel

not with the parachute on their back, but in the plane in which they dream it will take them, complete wit television, etc... back to Băneasa Airport from where carpets will be rolled out to each ministerial office for those in the plane. The quarrel among the politicians is probably due to this important question: who will be first to come down from the plane ?

I am terribly depressed because foreign newspapermen whom I met lately say that I am a "funny Romanian" in the Romanian fight abroad which they say themselves - and I cannot answer (that's the tragedy)- ~~became~~ a minor internal struggle. They do not tell me anything I don't know already and I try to tell them that this is the emigrant's psychosis. I do not succeed convincing them : one can see on my face as in the movies that I would like to say something different. I said it many times before that an "author's" life has many sides which make me ask myself why I should have become a newspaperwoman instead of a poetess.

Strictly Confidential

In London, Mr. Vișoianu's activity seems to be directed towards Mr. Churchill's waiting room. Mrs. Pussy Deakins (poor Liviu Nastă's daughter) is very close to that family and has worked with Mr. Vișoianu in Cairo. I do not know anything definite: my newspaperwoman's nose tells me to associate this friendship with the efforts of Mr. Vișoianu to have the famed Committee recognized. Pussy is a wonderful Romanian and returned recently from America, where evidently she heard that nobody wants to hear of Romaninas who quarrel all the time (I would like to yell, but that is what I hear here too).

I saw Mr. Claudiu who told me that he received a letter from you. It seems that his men want a guarantee and they will take the same attitude of my great sympathy the author of Găgă from the newspaper "România". To quote : "the only representative man for us is ^{the} General ~~Kiss~~. We have men willing to sacrifice themselves and who know how to fight. What guarantees would we receive in the hand we extended for such a long time ? We know we are the poor relatives, we know we made mistakes, but we would like to be integrated in a democratic solution. Which is

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this solution, how is it seen by the General's group and what do we get in exchange ? " (Evidently they want a moral guarantee because Mr. Claudian is a good man and belongs to the idealists group in the field).

It is true constitute a reality which should be studied not only now, but to-morrow too, when we are home: they are men who know how to fight and are united. At home they want to belong to a democratic formula in the center. The information which is available to you too ~~partly~~ indicates that in Romania they are all united. I do not want you to believe that I plead in their favor. The question is very delicate. Mr. Claudian saw Mr. Vişcianu. Same impression as mine: "if you want to talk seriously, he is joking as if we were at home during the 50's when our distinguished politicians were visiting the clubs on Clemenceau /street/ or C.A. Rosetti /street/, to see how the country is doing". But no souls of fighters.

On the other hand, ~~Horatiu~~ ^{*} Comaniciu, who is a honest man, whispered me in secrecy that his 12 year old fight will ~~be~~ finally crowned by success. I do not know more because I do not like to put questions. Horatiu is a fighter. And Horatiu says that if the Association of Free Romanians would have funds, it could lead an important action.

On the other hand there are rumors of a new understanding. *see next page*
I saw yesterday a captain Constantin Stoicănescu who left the country in 1950 (camp in Yugoslavia, Trieste, sometime in Austria). Seems a dependable boy(?) (the preparatory school for artillery officers, the War College, Oltenian from Romanati). Mr. Vişcianu called a meeting of the military people (they were 13 in all) The drafting of to-morrow's soldiers ~~is~~ ought to be the duty of the Committee of Mr. Zissu, who arrived here with a passport and of the Liberal Assan, etc...

Stoicănescu asked them: how do they see this problem without your support /the General's/, the only name who is on everybody's lips in the country? (Besides Roger ^{King} who does not know that one speaks very little of him and that he placed himself in the worst possible position, as I also told Coana Greta). *Prof. Greta*

(Strictly Confidential): (the meeting with Coana Greta, the wife of the best friend of the best friend of Stefan "made in Iassy". Stefan told them the same thing, and

if they thought I was influenced, they both know that my husband never took part in politics).

To come back to Stoicǎnescu, he explained me that this problem interests a number of young boys who fled the country, not to save themselves, but to return with a weapon in their hands. He gave up and did not tell the 13 strategists about that because being recently arrived in Paris and not knowing he is among military people, he explained them that his chief is the King and then General Rǎdescu. I will ask my friend through whom I will try to send you this letter and with whom I dine to-night, what his opinion is about Stoicǎnescu, whom I suppose he met during his stay in Austria.

General, as I said in my former letter sent by registered mail and I hope uncensored by the Communists, the representative of the magazine "Match" in New-York will disturb you for an interview. The famed press-campaign about my book has not started: it appeared during the prizes and one still discusses at the U.N. disarmament. I hope the world is convinced now about the insincerity of the Russians. The howls and tantrums of Mr. Vyascinsky are not the attitudes of a man who feels strong.

The two romanians who were in the service of the legation and who have asked the protection of the French, are the current subject of discussion. Their translator was ^{Mrs. VALAHU} ~~Mrs. VALAHU~~ who wrote two articles about it. I do not know if they would be published, because of these discussions of disarmament which seems to me a lot of rain water.

General I expect to hear from you.

Excuse my lack of confidence in the mails, but the Communists, who do not object to anything, especially after the publication of the book, I suppose would be pleased to shoot me in the head "by accident".

With the same devotion and the same pleas: do not get angry about politicians who forgot that they are refugees.

P.S. I have some reservations about Stoicǎnescu. My friend who sends for me this letter says that in Salzburg he did not belong to any political party, but was a good

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Friend of Tanda Caragea. Please make the necessary arrangements in New York for me to be able to present the letters here at the Embassy and I beg you to answer through the same channels.