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AEGAPELIN Reports - 5th Anniversary of Gen. Taras CHUPRYNKA's
Death

1. Transmitted herewith for Headquarters retention are two AEGAPELIN reports dealing with the slight controversy inspired by the ZCh/OUN/BANDERA which preceded the commemoration in Germany of the anniversary of Gen. Taras CHUPRYNKA's death.

2. An action committee (dilovyy komitet), under the chairmanship of Rev. Michael KORZAN and Evhen PRIRVA, secretary, met on 8 February to organize the program for this affair. The UNRada and its member parties as well as the ZCh/OUN/BANDERA together with its front organizations saw fit to boycott this commemoration. However, the ZCh/OUN/B sent Mykola FIL, representative of the St. George Society of Former UPA Warriors (a BANDERA-sponsored organization) to protest the plans of the "action committee" since the St. George Society was planning its own commemoration. Prof. (fnu) PRESTAK, of the TsPUEN (Tsentrálne Predstavnytstvo Ukrainakoyi Emigratsiyi v Nimechynny - Central Representation of the Ukrainian Emigration in Germany) stated that if two commemorations were held then the TsPUEN would not participate in either. AEGAPELIN alludes to a similar struggle (for power) in the U.S. wherein, on 22 January 1955, two commemorations (re liberation of the Ukraine) took place, the VO/UNRada attempting to usurp the authority of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA or UKKA).

3. During the second meeting of the "action committee" on 11 February 1955, FIL consented to cooperate but, in order to give major credit to the ZCh/OUN/B, only under the conditions that Danulo CHAYKIVSKYY, former editor of Ukrainets-Chas in Paris and now editor of Shlyakh Peremoha, be the speaker and that the names of the members of the "action committee" not be published in the emigre press. The "action committee", however, voted that a second speaker, either Lyubomir GRYNSKYY or Volodymyr STAKHIV (both of ZPUHVR), be designated to speak in the German language for the benefit of the attending German public.

4. One commemoration was held on 5 March 1955.

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