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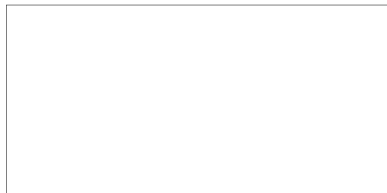


[Nikolay Alekseyevich] Voznesenskiy and [Aleksey Aleksandrovich] Kuznetsov 25X1  
 wished to establish a Communist Party of the RSFSR, with its Central Committee located in Leningrad, and to make Leningrad the capital of the RSFSR. Stalin feared that Leningrad would then rival Moscow, that the leaders of the RSFSR would oppose the leaders of the USSR, and that the authority of the latter would suffer as a result. Fearing this, Stalin removed Voznesenskiy and Kuznetsov. They were arrested in 1950 and were shot after several months of imprisonment.<sup>1</sup>

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1. [REDACTED] Comment: Voznesenskiy and Kuznetsov disappeared from public life in 1949.

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