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1. Batex and Dovus are parts of the Czech import and export organization. Batex is in Prague and Bratislava while Dovus is in Bratislava. The latter is largely organized for Slovakia.

2. The whole Czech import and export trade is in the hands of the following five concerns:

- Kotva
- Koospol
- Onnipol
- Dovus
- Batex

3. Onnipol is in charge of buying machinery, raw materials, chemicals, etc., for the whole of Czech industry. Koospol is a co-operative association and handles largely food products. Batex deals largely with textiles and leather.

4. Onnipol is more important for materials directly connected with war industry and, for instance, can arrange exchange of textiles against ball bearings or copper and such vital materials. Both Kotva and Batex deal in textiles, among other things, and are very important concerns.

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