Approved For Release 2000/05/18 : CIA-RDP82-00457R005860 NFORMATION REPORT CD NO. COUNTRY Lebanon DATE DISTR. 20 SHP 50 SUBJECT Expulsion of Antranik Ardashesian NO. OF PAGES from Lebanese Communist Party 25X1A PLACE NO. OF ENCLS. **ACQUIRED** 25X1A DATE OF SUPPLEMENT TO 29X9X REPORT NO. 25X1B1. Antranik Ardashesian was expelled from the Communist Party at the same time as Garabed Pashabezian. Ardashesian, an Armenian, has been a militant Communist in Lebanon for the past twenty years. The Party"3 reasons for expelling Ardashesian were "lack of discretion" and "subotage of organization," * This is the third expulsion of Ardashesian from the Communist Party known on occasion, several years ago, Ardashesian was expelled 25X1B for failure to stand up in honor of Khalid Bakdash when the latter entered communist meeting. 25X1A Comment. A fairly reliable source and a source of undetermined reliability reported that Pashabezian was arrested by the Lebanese Police on or about 19 June 1950 for communist activity. 25X1A Comment. that Ardashesian will be 25X1X reinstated in the Party again.

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