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YAROSLAV STETSKO WITH PRESIDENT CHANG KAI-SHEK

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Yevhen Stetsko, Anti-Communist Ukrainian Ambassador

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"The Road to Victory"  
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Upon completion of his trip to Australia, Mr. Y. Stetsko, former chief of the Ukrainian Government and presently chairman of the Central Committee of the Antibolshevik Bloc of Nations, arrived in Taipei, the capital of Free China, on 21 June. At the airport he was greeted by members of the ABN Mission, Central Chuan, and prominent leaders of ABN such as Ku Cheng-kang, Chen Chien-chung, director of Section Six of the Kuomintang, doctor Pao Hua-kuo, Tan Ye-ming, professor Hsu, professor Lin, Huang Yu, Kuneng Sung, Liu Chua-chuan, Madam Tsai, representing the Women's League, and about a score of other representatives of Chinese organizations. A little Chinese girl presented the guest with a bouquet of roses.

At the airport the Chairman of the Central Committee of ABN soon gave an interview to numerous Chinese newsmen. According to the daily China Post of 22 June, he "called upon the free world actively to support the anticommunist movements behind the Iron Curtain, because this is the only way to avert World War III." The same paper quoted Mr. Stetsko as having "warned the Western nations of an imminent danger of an atomic war" unless they heed the suggestions of Free China. Those suggestions were voiced by President Chiang Kai-shek in his book "Soviet Russia in China," which was published recently in the US. President Chiang Kai-shek believes that the policy of coexistence will lead to an atomic war which can be prevented only by national revolutions and a policy favoring collapse of the Soviet empire.

The same day the Anticommunist League of Asian Nations honored Mr. Stetsko with a dinner which was attended also by members of the ABN Mission. The following day, Mr. Stetsko and the ABN Mission members laid wreaths at the foot of the monument dedicated to dead Chinese freedom fighters. They then paid a visit to Mr. Hwang Kuo-shu, chairman of the Chinese National Organization for International Relations. According to the China Post of 23 June, Mr. Hwang and Mr. Stetsko exchanged views on how to strengthen friendly cooperation between the anticommunist nations of Europe and Free China.

also on the same day, the Chairman of the Central Committee of ASH, accompanied by Mission members, called on Mr. Sampson Shen, Director of the Information Office, and informed him about ASH activities in Europe, Australia, and other countries. After dinner, Mr. Stetsko and Mission members had a lengthy talk with Deputy Foreign Minister for Political Affairs, Mr. Sheng Chang-huan, on the possibility of reviving discussion of the problem of subjugated nations at the United Nations.

On Monday morning 24 June, Mr. Stetsko conferred with professor Fu, who heads the Institute for International Relations, and is an expert on East European affairs. They discussed among other things the problem of the subjugated peoples of the USSR. Later Mr. Stetsko visited the Academy Sinica -- the top scientific institution of Free China. He was accompanied by the president of the academy, doctor Chu Chia-hua, who also heads the Chinese Association for the United Nations. Doctor Chu Chia-hua honored the guest with a reception, which was attended by Kuo Cheng-kang and other prominent personalities, in addition to the members of the Mission. After the dinner, Mr. Stetsko and the Mission members met with professor Kuo, chief of the news agency, and discussed with him cooperation between the ASH Press Service and the Chinese newspapers.

The following day Mr. Stetsko presented General Chou chi-Jou, Secretary General of the Chinese Council of Defense and President of the Chinese National Federation of Amateur Athletes with so-called Ukrainian Freedom Cup. The ceremony had been announced in advance by the China News, which wrote: "Yuroslav Stetsko, former Ukrainian premier and (presently) Chairman of the Central Committee of the ASH will present Chinese athletes with a silver cup from Ukrainian patriots as a token of their friendship."

On the same day, Mr. Stetsko and the members of the Mission were received by Vice President Chen Cheng and Prime Minister O.K. Yui. In the evening, President Hwang Kuo-shao of the Chinese National Organization for International Relations, who is also Vice Chairman of Parliament, honored the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ASH with a reception.

On Wednesday, 26 June, the Presidium of the ASH invited some 60 members of parliament and professors to a tea party in the Taipei City Hall, at which Mr. Stetsko addressed the distinguished audience on the Prospects for National Revolutions and the Situation behind the Iron Curtain. In the evening the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ASH met with Mr. Chen Chien-chung, director of Section Six of the Kuomintang. After the talk Mr. Stetsko and members of the Mission were invited to a supper which was also attended by other Kuomintang leaders.



The following day, 27 June, Mr. Stetsko was received by the President of Free China, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. According to the China News of 27 June, the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ABU "discussed the various ways and means of combatting Moscow imperialism."

The same day, the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ABU met with the president's son, General Chiang Ching-kuo. The president's second son, Chiang Wei-kuo, invited Mr. Stetsko to a dinner at the International Rotary Club in Taipei, which was attended by representatives of 13 nations (US, France, Britain, Japan, Turkey, China, Korea, Viet Nam, the Philippines, and others), as well as by members of the diplomatic missions in Free China. As an honorary guest, Mr. Stetsko delivered a short address on The Moscow Subjugated Peoples and the Free World. The next day, Friday, 28 June 1957, Mr. Stetsko spoke as an honorary guest to a group of the most recent refugees from the Chinese mainland who had come to Taipei via Hong Kong after killing the captain of their ship and neutralizing the crew. The list of the guests of honor included the Interior Minister of Free China, Yang Tei-pou, an American lady representative, Mr. Koo Cheng-kang, and others. The ceremony was broadcast to the Chinese mainland. In the evening of the same day, Mr. Stetsko, in accepting an invitation from the Chinese Association for the United Nations, gave a lecture on The International Status of the Ukraine and Other Peoples Subjugated by Bolshevism.

On Sunday, 30 June, Mr. Stetsko was visited at the headquarters of the ABU Mission by the President of the Academy Sinica, doctor Shou Chia-hua, former Minister of Education, Advisor to the President, and President of the Chinese Association for the United Nations. Their discussions concerned the question of cooperation between Ukrainian and the Chinese scientists and scientific institutions.

After dinner the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ABU and members of the mission called on professor Lin, and in the evening they attended the first part of the contest for the Ukrainian Freedom Cup between 2 top basketball teams. The Chinese press, in giving advance notice of the event, wrote: "The first part of the contest for the Ukrainian Cup will take place tonight at 8 o'clock. Y. Stetsko, Chairman of the Antibolshevik Bloc of Nations, who has donated the cup, will open the game at the Armed Forces Stadium tonight" (China News, 30 June 1957).

In the presence of some 2,000 onlookers, including generals of the General Staff of the Chinese Army, Mr. Koo Cheng-kang, and the Mayor of Taipei, Mr. Stetsko opened the game by a short speech,

Deception General Ti, Deputy Chief of the Political Section of the National Defense Ministry, handed the Chairman of the Central Committee of ABN 3 flags: one from the Chief of the Political Section of the National Defense Ministry, the second from the Chief of the General Staff, and the third from the Chinese Youth Organization. The orchestra played a march. The ceremony was photographed by many news reporters and newsreel men and the next day the Chinese newspapers published the pictures along with the score of the game.

China Press of 1 July reported: "In the first part of the contest for the Ukrainian Freedom Cup the Army team defeated the civilian team by 3 points (12-79). The victory was won only after 5 minutes of overtime play. At the end of the regular playing time (40 minutes), the teams were tied (6-69)."

On Tuesday, 2 July 1957, Mr. Y. Stetsko presented Madam Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the president, with a gift from the Ukrainian women of Australia and talked to her at the headquarters of the Chinese League Against Aggression.

On the same day, the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ABN and the mission members were dinner guests of General Chiang Chien-shen, Chief of the Political Section of the Defense Ministry. After the dinner Mr. Stetsko and the General discussed at length the possibilities of cooperation in the field of psychological warfare.

In the evening Professor Koo gave a reception in honor of the Chairman of the Central Committee of the ABN. The party was attended by Koo Cheng-kang, doctor Kuo suo, Professor Lin, the director of Section Six of the Kuomintang Chen Chien-anung, General Chang, and the members of the mission.

During his Taipei sojourn, the ABN chairman held several talks with the leaders of KMTFHK and discussed various aspects of cooperation between the ABN and the Anticomunist League of Asian Nations, which is a Chinese-sponsored organization. Mr. Stetsko and the members of the Mission also met with US Ambassador K. Rankin (on 7 July 1957) and French ambassador M. Boliou (on 2 July).

In addition to his news conference Mr. Stetsko spoke over 3 different radio stations in Ukrainian with simultaneous Chinese translation of his speeches. The speeches were beamed to the Chinese people on the mainland as well as to the other peoples dominated by communism and Red Russia.

On 7 July 1957 the Chairman of the ABN initiated radio programs of the ABN Mission for the population of Siberia, prisoners of Soviet concentration camps, and Soviet missions on the Chinese mainland.

The official organ of the Kuomintang of 1 July 1957 published a comprehensive article entitled "Forty Years of Ukrainian Struggle for Freedom and Independence from Soviet Russian Tyranny." The article was based on the materials published by the Canadian League for the Liberation of the Ukraine.

On 6 July 1957, Mr. Stetsko held a news conference attended by representatives of all the free Chinese press. The conference lasted more than one hour. Mr. Stetsko first made a statement concerning the latest purge in Moscow, the liberation movements among the subjugated peoples, his impressions of Taiwan, and the new book by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek which had been just published in both Chinese and English. He then answered numerous questions asked by the news men.

On the previous day Mr. Stetsko had attended the last reception in his honor, at the League (the Anticommunist League of Asian Nations).

On Sunday, 7 July Mr. Stetsko left by plane for Hong Kong. At the airport he was seen off in addition to the members of the ABM Mission, by President Koo Cheng-kang, the President of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, professor doctor Chou, the director of Section Six of the Kuomintang, the director of the Eastern Institute for Foreign Relations, the Secretary General of APALLSOK, doctor Pao, and many other prominent political and military leaders of Free China.

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