

Translated from German (Neue Zürcher Zeitung, 3 April 1960)

Budapest, 1 April. ag (AFP). The text of the Friday morning communiqué of the Hungarian news agency MTI reads as follows:

"On the occasion of the fifteenth anniversary of the liberation of the country, the Presidium of the Hungarian People's Republic, on the proposal of the Revolutionary Government of Workers and Working Peasants, is proclaiming a partial amnesty.

1. Hungarian citizens who, before 31 March 1960, were sentenced by the courts to hard labour for the purpose of correction and re-education are granted an amnesty;
2. Penalties for violations imposed before 31 March by the Fire Police and by organs of local councils are annulled;
3. the arrest of persons for reasons of security is abolished as from 31 March; the dissolution of the internment camps has been decreed as from 30 June 1960;
4. sentences against mothers with children under ten years of age, where they do not cover a period of more than one year and where they were pronounced before 31 March, shall be set aside;
5. an amnesty is granted to persons who were sentenced before 31 December 1952 for war crimes or for crimes against the people and who have already served half their term;
6. serving of sentences pronounced before 1 May 1957 for crimes against the State and which did not cover periods of more than six years is suspended;
7. On the proposal of the Minister of Justice and taking into account the individual cases, the Presidium, by an act of grace, has granted pardons to Tibor Dery, Ferenc Donath, Mihaly Farkas, Wladimir Farkas, Ferenc Janosi and Gyula Varadi.