

ITEM No 2957

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA

JUSTICE - Personalities
RESISTANCE - Deviationism

COMMUNIST STATE PROSECUTORS ARRESTED FOR
ALLEGED ESPIONAGE

RASLA Ladislav, Dr., nicknamed Dunko, former Communist Prosecutor in Chief, in BRATISLAVA, was arrested by the STB in April 1951 and taken to the LEOPOLDOV (LIPOTVAR) prison. On 7 June 1951 two friends of RASLA, employed as prosecutors by the State Law Courts in BRATISLAVA, Dr. RIGAN J. and Dr. SUJAN Stefan, were also arrested by the STB. On 8 June 1951 the wives of RIGAN and SUJAN received a notice from the National Committee in BRATISLAVA to leave the city within 24 hours. The notice stated that Mrs. RIGAN and Mrs. SUJAN were not permitted to take their carpets, furniture, oil paintings and other valuables with them as these had been allotted to them in 1945 from confiscated German property, and that the abovementioned persons had forfeited their rights to confiscated property by betraying the people's democratic regime. RASLA was transferred after eight days of police detention to LEOPOLDOV; SUJAN and RIGAN are confined at the police jail in BRATISLAVA. They are charged with conspiracy to overthrow the people's democratic regime, with meting out low sentences to the enemies of the people's regime and with protecting western spies in CSR.

DATE OF OBSERVATION: July 1951

EVAL. COMMENT:

Source : fairly reliable;
Information: authenticity unknown.

The arrest of RASLA is confirmed by other evidence.