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Fulfilment of Economic Plan for the Third Quarter  
of 1953.

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On 27 October 1953, Radio SOFIA in its emission of 11.00 hours carried an announcement of the Central Statistical Administration at the Ministerial Council on the fulfilment of the State Economic Plan for the third quarter of 1953, essential details of which follow below: (the figures are in percentages, compared with the same period of 1952.)

Industry:

The quarterly plan of gross production as a whole has been fulfilled by 99.3 per cent State industry - 96 per cent; Local industry - 104 per cent; Cooperative industry - 118 per cent. Gross production as a whole increased by 15 per cent in comparison with the third quarter of 1952. Individual Ministries and Departments have fulfilled the quarterly plan of gross production as follows: (Figures in percentages)

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- Ministry of Heavy Industry	95
- Ministry of Light Industry	99.1
- Ministry of Electrification	97
- Ministry of Deliveries and Food Industry	93
- Ministry of Transport, industrial enterprises	109
- Ministry of Construction, industrial enterprises	99.3
- Ministry of Health and National Insurance, industrial enterprises	106
- Chief Administration of Publishing Houses, Printing Industry and Book Trade	112
- Ministry of Communal Economy and Town Planning, industrial enterprises	104
- Central Union of Industrial Cooperatives	113
- Central Cooperative Union, industrial enterprises	130

#### Increased Production in Various Spheres:

Electric power	119	Nails	111
Coal	107	Metal Dishes	103
Ores (iron)	113	Stoves	123
Ores of colored metals	157	Trolleys	214
Concentrates	110	Coke	106
Electro-motors	165	Carbide	135
Telephone receivers	108	Tannin extracts	149
Workers' tools	132	Sulphuric acid	113
Synthetic ammonia	127	Cotton stockings	126
Ammonia nitrate	127	Hard leather	118
Sodium nitrate	136	Face leather	131
Aluminium sulphate	126	Shoes	101
Sodium bi-carbonate	113	Sugar	147

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Cement	111	Canned vegetables	145
Electric bulbs	210	Canned fruit	163
Porcelain dishes	122	Pulp	151
Plywood	103	Meat	130
Vener	140	Lard	367
Cotton fabrics	112	Vegetable oil	107
Woolen fabrics	119	Cheese (white)	113
Silk fabrics	112	Cheese (yellow)	162
Knitwear	114	Paper	109
Woolen knitwear	106		

Agriculture:

In the current year the harvest was richer in comparison with that of 1952. The TKZS-s in comparison with the private farmers achieved higher production: wheat - 21.7 per cent; corn - 18.5 per cent; sunflowers - 27.7 per cent and cotton - 32 per cent.

The Motor and Tractor Stations, from the beginning of the year to the end of the third quarter of the same, increased their machine park by 847 new tractors of 15 HP, and by over 200 combines.

The MTS-s fulfilled the deep autumn ploughing by 1 November of this year by 44.7 per cent in excess compared with the same period of time for 1952.

The number of livestock in TKZS-s at the end of the third quarter of 1953, compared with the number of the same of the third quarter of 1952, has increased as follows: cattle by 4.6 per cent, sheep by 8.3 per cent, pigs by 60.5 per cent. But the fulfilment of the Plan for the number of livestock in general drags behind schedule.

Transportation:

In the third quarter of 1953, the railroad transport fulfilled its plan for freight by 101.1 per cent and in tons-kilo-meters by 109.2 per cent.

In comparison with the same period of 1952, the plan for freight transportation was fulfilled by an excess of 11.8 per cent and in tons-

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kilometers by 20.4 per cent.

The plan of average day and night run of the locomotives is fulfilled by 103.1 per cent and the average day and night productivity of labor per railroad freight car by 105.5 per cent. The average gross weight of freight trains is increased by 4.6 per cent.

The plan for waterway transport in the transportation of freight is fulfilled by 124.4 per cent and in tons-kilometers by 112.4 per cent. As compared with the third quarter of 1952 the water transport carried 44.2 per cent more freight in tons and 22.9 per cent in tons-kilometers. The plan of transport of freight by motor vehicles, compared with the same period of time of 1952, was fulfilled with an excess: for freight by 12.5 per cent and in tons-kilometers by 39.9 per cent, but in spite of that, the plan for this quarter of 1953 was not fulfilled.

The quarterly plan of postal services has been fulfilled by 104.2 per cent, and in comparison with the corresponding period of 1952, the postal services increased by 12.4 per cent. The number of "radioficated" localities has increased in this quarter, in comparison with the same period of 1952, by 25.9 per cent, from which - only for the villages - by 29.9 per cent.

#### Retail Goods Turnover:

In the third quarter of 1953, a third retail price reduction was carried through. The average goods turnover increased, compared to that of the corresponding period of 1952, by 6 per cent, and only for sale of goods to the population by 13.6 per cent, i.e. as follows:

Meat	23.7 per cent	Butter	9.5 per cent
Lard	79.1 "	Canned vegetables	32.4 "
Vegetable oil	26.3 "	Woolen knitwear	16.- "
Sugar	18.1 "	Shoes	19.6 "
Confectionary goods	49.6 "	Soap	45.1 "
Dough products	42.4 "		

In the third quarter of 1953, 444 new shops were opened, 185 restaurants.

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Labor:

The number of workers and employees in industry, transport and trade, at the end of this quarter of 1953 is by 25.742 persons higher in comparison with 1 October 1952. Productivity of labor increased, compared with the same period of 1952, by 13.2 per cent: iron-ore industry by 15.4 per cent, metal processing industry by 17.9 per cent, chemical industry by 20.7 percent, food industry by 32.3 per cent.

Culture, Education and Health:

From the beginning of 1954 to the end of this quarter of the same year 4,583 persons completed their university education, from which: engineers - 791, rural economy - 515, medicine - 696, economics - 1016, teachers - 835, arts - 172 and others - 558.

The number of students in schools for general education at the beginning of this school year reached over a million.

The number of beds in hospitals, in comparison with the same period of 1952, increased by 18.6 per cent and number of physicians by 7.2 per cent.

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