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On June 6 Radio Bucharest broadcast the full text of the government statement concerning rocket bases in Greece and Balkan peace and security. Calling for an atom-free zone in the Balkans, the statement concentrates almost exclusively on Greece and Turkey is hardly mentioned except as a possible member of the Balkan conference proposed by Stoica. The statement denounces the present policy of the Greek government as ~~leading~~ <sup>leading</sup> Greece down a dangerous road contrary to interests of the people and calls on Greece to show its intentions to consolidate peace by giving up its rocket bases. The September 10, 1957 proposal of Stoica is introduced (cf. Scinteia September 10, 1957) and it is said that this ~~new~~ proposal was received positively by Albania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and by "the Greek public opinion." This proposal is again suggested and it is stated that in establishing a zone of Balkan security none of the participating countries would have to leave their present alliance. The entire statement appears to be another initiative supported by Khrushchev in the intensified peace campaign.