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AA Ref.No. P-236POLANDREGIME RESPONSE TO WESTERN BROADCASTSPROPAGANDA 2600
Anti-Western 2601 aWESTERN BROADCASTS ATTACKED IN A BOOK

SOURCE AUDIENCE ANALYSIS SECTION: I LOVE AND I HATE. Book (collection of essays) by Adam POLEWKA. Published in Cracow, 1955.

AUDIENCE ANALYSIS SECTION COMMENT: None

EVALUATION COMMENT: None

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(Excerpts)

In an essay violently attacking the "CRACOW petty bourgeois", POLEWKA describes his attitude after Cracow's "Liberation by the Red Army" in 1945. It was then that the Cracow "petty bourgeois" started "praying to the BBC and VOICE OF AMERICA's speakers." (p.21).

In another essay, POLEWKA tells of a conversation he had with a Polish "Liberal", defending the principle of free elections as against the Communist-run one-list elections, and says: "We shall not be deceived by this liberal mask, Mr. Fascist. We know only too well this "liberalism" flowing from the wavelengths of "FREE EUROPE" and the "VOICE OF AMERICA"." (p.106).

Finally, another essay speaks of a former businessman who hopes for the return of "good old times". "He still keeps on waiting, and, while waiting, he indulges in propaganda; not the big propaganda, choking with political sensations from the "FREE EUROPE" broadcasts, but small, everyday propaganda which says how much better the past was." (p.139).

End.