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YUGOV RUMORED ON THE SKIDS.

SOURCE TRIESTE: Confidential source.

DATE OF OBSERVATION: Current period.

EVALUATION COMMENT: A new Government reshuffle may occur at the June 30 1956 extraordinary session of the National Assembly. In such an event, Karlo LUKANOV, 59, lawyer, with Western education, member of the Politbureau, and Bulgarian Ambassador to MOSCOW from March 1954 until April 1956, at which time he was again appointed Vice-Premier, has a good chance of becoming Anton YUGOV's successor.

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Insistent rumors are circulating in SOFIA that Anton YUGOV's appointment to the post of President of the Council of Ministers in Bulgaria is temporary and that he will soon be replaced.

It is believed in SOFIA that his successor will be Karlo LUKANOV, former Bulgarian Ambassador to MOSCOW.

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