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REGIME RESPONSE TO WESTERN BROADCASTS AND LEAFLETS

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"AIR PROVOCATIONS"

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(The article starts with a dramatic description of the death of Capt. Roman Lachcik and 2nd Lieut. Jozef Raze, whose 'plane collided with a balloon')

"...Flyers are being killed in peace time ! They are being killed because while carrying out training flights they collide in the clouds with polyethylene balloons carrying 'the literature of the free world'. Because Messrs. Dulles, Adenauer, Kaiser and Co., wish to convince us of the 'superiority of this free world'.

On the place of the disaster propaganda booklets were discovered. The authors of these were: the well-known British anti-Communist writer George Orwell, and the Renegade Bialer. They are embellished with a very significant inscription: 'Special Publication of Free Europe'.

That is where we should look for the guilty ! It is they, the German revisionists who granted the hospitality of their territory, and the traitors from the 'Free Europe' Committee who were eager to take advantage of this hospitality.

Recently the military and aviation commentator of the 'New York Herald Tribune', Mr. A.E. Talbert wrote: 'The Free Europe Committee is constantly carrying out at its launching sites in Bavaria, in the presence of official observers (the author's italics) demonstrations of new polyethylene balloons in order to show, that these balloons constitute no danger.'

Enough of this mockery ! It is enough to ask even a beginner in the art of flying whether a collision in the air with a hydrogen filled balloon of several meters diameter constitutes a danger to the crew of the plane -- to be told that a disaster in such a case is unavoidable. So let various Western military commentators stop trying to conceal the crime committed in the name of the 'cold war'. The crime whose victims were recently Capt. Lachcik and 2nd Lieut. Raze.

End.