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Security Measures (2302)

The Communist Regime Is Afraid Of The Army.

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EVAL. COMMENT: This is the first report received here dealing with this subject.

Our source assures that for several months the soldiers of the regular Bulgarian army have been obliged to turn in their arms upon their return to their barracks after their regular training, effected during the day.

These arms are stored in large iron boxes placed in the buildings of each single military detachment and watched during the whole night by Communist soldiers and non-commissioned officers whose faith and loyalty towards the regime is beyond doubt.

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