

Coordination of Polish and Soviet Planning

In the framework of Comecon planning, between January 4 and 7, consultations were held in Moscow between Soviet and Polish planning delegations with a view to coordinating the plans for the national economy of both countries for the years 1966-1970.

The Polish delegation was headed by Stefan Jedrychowski, Chief of the Planning Commission, and the Soviet delegation by Pyotr Lomako, Soviet Deputy Prime Minister and the Chairman of the Gispplan.

The protocol, signed after the consultations, provides for considerable increases in the mutual exchanges between the two countries, especially of machinery, complete factories, raw materials and consumer goods. It also provides for the closer cooperation of various branches of the national economy of the two countries. According to Polish media, the agreement should create better conditions for the development of the most important Polish industries, principally the chemical, foundry, machine and light industries (cf. PAP in "Trybuna Ludu" of 9 January 1965).

Visit of Finnish Parliamentary Delegation

A delegation of the Finnish parliament, headed by its speaker, Kauno Kleemola, left Poland on January 11, after a visit that lasted from January 4 (cf. Radio Warsaw, January 4, 5, 11, 1965).

The delegation was invited on behalf of the Polish Sejm by its Marshall, Czeslaw Wycech, during his visit to Finland with the delegation of the Polish United Peasant Party (cf. "Trybuna Ludu" 30 August 1964). It was received with full protocol. At the airfield it was greeted by Wycech and Jerzy Jodlowski, chairman of the Polish-Finnish Friendship Society. Next day it was received by Wycech at the Sejm building, by Edward Ochab, Chairman of the Council of State, and by Prime Minister Cyrankiewicz. Then the delegation left for the usual tour of the country.

This is not the first Polish-Finnish contact. To mention only those of the last year: In March Finland's President Kekkonen visited Poland (cf. Sit. Rep. March 2, 12), then a delegation of the Finnish CP was present at the PUWP's Fourth Congress (cf. Sit. Rep. June 15), and a similar delegation of the

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Finnish Agrarian Party was at the Fourth UPP Congress (cf. Sit. Rep, November 26). In between, as mentioned above, Wycech led the delegation of Poland's UPP to Finland and the chief of the Polish General Staff, Gen. Jerzy Bordzilowski, went there for a 10 day study trip (cf. Sit. Rep. September 7, October 27). The reporting on all these contacts has always been fairly extensive and very warm except, however, for this last visit by Kleemola, which was rather scantily covered.

Partisan Film

A press showing of a new Polish film was arranged in Warsaw on January 13, reported Radio Warsaw the same day.

The film was made from the book of memoirs of Poland's Minister of Interior, Gen. Mieczyslaw Moczar. This book, "Colors of Battle", described Moczar's experiences as a Communist Partisan leader in the war. It deals mainly with the actions of the Peoples' Army in Kielce district. Its official first performance will be in Kielce, and on the anniversary of the "Liberation" of Warsaw (January 17) it will be shown in the capital. On February 26 it will be released for general distribution. "Journalists participating in the show, highly appreciated the artistic and ideological values of the film, its interesting acting performances and its excellent battle scenes", said Radio Warsaw.

Austrian Factory to Poland

A complete fertilizer producing factory will be delivered to Poland by the Austrian state-owned iron and steel combine "Voest" in Linz, according to an RFE Special from Vienna on January 8.

Although Poland herself is a big exporter of complete chemical plants (in October 1964 an agreement was signed between Poland and the USSR on the delivery by Poland to the Soviet Union of over 80 chemical plants, cf. Sit. Rep. 5 October 1964) she is in great need of fertilizer factories.

Polish-Soviet Radio and Television Cooperation

An agreement on Polish-Soviet radio and TV cooperation was signed in Warsaw on January 13 by the Polish Chairman of the Committee

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for Radio and Television, Wlodzimierz Sokorski, and by the deputy Chairman of the Soviet Committee for Radio and Television, Rapokhin. Chief of the CC Press Bureau, Stefan Olszowski, and Director of the Press and Information Department in the Foreign Ministry, Jozef Cywiak, were also present.

According to Radio Warsaw of January 13, the new agreement increases the mutual exchange of programs, introduces "weeks of culture", a regular cooperation between Poland and individual Soviet Republics, and the joint preparation of certain programs. The exchange of television films will also be increased.

Krupp Experts Will Go to Poland

A group of experts from the Friedrich Krupp firm of Western Germany will travel to Poland January 23 to continue talks with Polish economic leaders, reported UPI of January 13, quoting a company spokesman.

This is in implementation of arrangements reported in the Situation Report of 23 December 1964.