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BULGARIA

BORDER ZONES

Security measures

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Confidants and provocateurs

Fishermen And Shepherds Act  
As Informers.

SOURCE ISTANBUL: A Bulgarian refugee, former border guard who escaped to Turkey

DATE OF OBSERVATION: 1949 - 1951.

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In late June 1951 a group of seven, tried to make their escape to Turkey from the port of STALIN. They had hired a small fishing boat and, traveling at night only, set out for the Turkish territorial waters. Due to fog and poor visibility, they approached the Bulgarian shore near BURGAS where they were detected by the fishermen (NU) Zangis and his wife (NU) Dora.

Zangir, 34, small, thin, toothless, and his 30-year old, dark-haired, slim wife Dora, are in the pay of the border command and D.S. (Darjavna Sigurnost, state security) of the BURGAS area. Zangis, armed with a Soviet long-range repeater carbine, arrested the seven refugees and delivered them to the authorities in BURGAS. Zangir and Dora received 200,000 Levas as a reward and a free traveling permit all along the Black Sea coast.

Similarly, some shepherds are working for the D.S. A lawyer (NU) from BURGAS who tried to reach Turkey in August 1949, was arrested by (LNU) Ivan "Smikta," a shepherd from REZOVO village, when he was only 150 meters from the Turkish border. Ivan received 30,000 Levas in recognition of his services plus extra rations and a free traveling permit.

EVAL. COMMENT: Matters confirmed by other sources, but the cited cases and names are unknown.