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EURO-TITO-MOSCOW CONFLICT SEEN THROUGH YUGOSLAV EYES

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MUNICH, July 3 -- (STANKOVIC) -- The current anti-Yugoslav campaign is primarily aimed at preventing the solution of "the most topical problems of socialism" in the Soviet bloc countries "in which forces have been active in their campaign against Yugoslavia", said the BELGRADE weekly "Ekonomiska Politika" of June 28.

470 The unnamed author of a short commentary said that these "topical problems of socialism" were "democratic management, more freedom for productive forces, freeing social relationships from bureaucratic chains and mud, socialist relations between socialist countries and workers' movement". The anti-Yugoslav forces have not been able to stop this trend "which is developing in its own way".

(B) Another Yugoslav weekly, "Mladost" of June 25, discussed the problem of the attitude taken by various Soviet bloc youth organizations against Yugoslavia. The Chinese and Bulgarian youth papers are quoted as taking especially strong attitudes toward Yugoslavia. The unnamed author of the article in "Mladost" said:

" 'Narodna Mladezh', organ of the Central Committee of the 'Dimitrov Union' of the Bulgarian people's youth has introduced a special column entitled 'Brotherly Communist Parties On the Program of the League of Communists of Yugoslavia' in which everything taking place in Yugoslavia is attacked daily..."

Independence -- Yugoslav Greatest "Sin"

The author of the article in "Mladost" added that "special attention is aroused by an article published by 'Narodna Mladezh' under the headline 'Along the Path Marked by Lenin'... 'Evaluating the work of the 13th Congress of the Komsomol, the (Bulgarian) author did not avail himself of the opportunity to attack the stand of the (Yugoslav) People's Youth concerning some questions and at the same time to proclaim it as revisionist... 'The Yugoslav revisionism' among young people (in Yugoslavia) considers that a youth organization should be independent in the period of transition. Our conception that the participation of young people in social management is the best means of socialist

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education is proclaimed "revisionism". In the opinion of the (Bulgarian) author every person is a revisionist if he does not agree, for example, that the (Soviet) Komsomol is the "leading organization in the international Communist and democratic movement... The (Bulgarian) author proclaims "revisionistic" everything which does not tally with his opinion, or which "has harmed proletarian internationalism" and proclaims his views as "the essence" and absolute truth".

Bulgarians Not Willing to Discuss

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The author of the article in "Mladost" said further that in the past the leaders of the Yugoslav Youth organizations were willing to talk with the young Bulgarian Communists "as we did with the representatives of the youth organizations of some other socialist countries... Unfortunately the other side (i.e. the Bulgarians) was not willing to do this. Instead of discussions concerning these problems, our contacts usually boiled down to mutual descriptions of experiences, sidestepping all the current problems.

"However, it is interesting to note that the People's Youth of Yugoslavia, owing to its different stand concerning these problems, had not at that time been revisionist and nobody attacked it because of this. But times have changed and now everything possible should be used to attack everything which is Yugoslav and which belongs to Yugoslavia..."

Contrary to the situation in Yugoslavia "the youth from the majority of these (Soviet bloc) countries are assigned the role of an object which must automatically accept everything served to them".

"Who Touches TITO -- Touches the Entire People"

The SARAJEVO daily "Oslobodjenje" (June 23) carried a letter by a reader, Sefko BOSTANDZHIC, in which is stated, among other things, the following:

"It seems that they (i.e., the Soviet leaders -- Ed.) have forgotten that on our frontiers they killed hundreds of our people at the time of the ill-famed Cominform Resolution, that they killed them, the guardians of our homeland; it seems that they have forgotten their economic blockade and their unilateral cancellation of all agreements at the moment when fulfillment of those agreements was the most necessary to us, at the moment when we had just emerged from the ruins of war. Judging by everything, it appears that comrade KHRUSHCHEV and the rest of the leaders in the "lager", especially the Chinese leaders, do not know the conditions which prevail in our country.

"They have forgotten that fact that comrade TITO and the people

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are one and the same...., that TITO led our fathers, mothers and brothers through the heaviest offensives until the final liberation. If they touch comrade TITO, they automatically touch the entire people. Under the leadership of comrade TITO we have always emerged as victors, and we shall do the same now..."

Neither Eastern Nor Western Bloc

The ZAGREB daily "Vjesnik" (June 29) carried an article by Zvonimir KRISTL entitled "Dialectics of an "honest" Enemy" dealing with the fact that Western papers are writing favorably about Yugoslavia which is used by the Soviet bloc critics as a weapon against the Yugoslav Communists.

Said KRISTL: "As we do not classify people as socialists and imperialists according to their citizenship of one or another "camp", we do not think that an Italian who writes favorably about Yugoslavia is a priori an imperialist, as no every criticism from the other side must necessarily be a socialist criticism".

As to Western favorable writing of Yugoslavia, KRISTL said that "the struggle for the liberation of every people -- especially if this struggle has taken the forms of the struggle between David and Goliath -- has always been unanimously admired by the world public... Of course, there are in the West various intriguers who write now everything possible about our country... They have their own plans and desires, and are forecasting the development of the events in the way they think will suit them". The writings of such people, KRISTL said, should not be competent as to the Yugoslav attitude.

These Western "intriguers" are doing their utmost "to pull Yugoslavia into the Western camp" but what they especially enjoy "is the conflict within the socialist ranks and the weakening of the world workers' movement". However, even "Western imperialists" are no longer on such a level "as to kill a man and then to announce this in their papers as follows: "Happy news reached us about the hanging of..." or "dog died with dog's death"...

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