THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF JURISTS RESPECTFULLY SUBmits
FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH WAS RELEASED TODAY TO THE PRESS
STOP THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF HAS TODAY REQUESTED
THE HUNGARIAN AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE FURTHER PARTICULARS
CONCERNING MRS JULIA RAJK GABOR TANCOS AND SANDOR

HARASZTI WHO ACCORDING TO THE LATEST INFORMATION JUST RECEIVED
ARE NOW BEING SECRETLY TRIED IN BUDAPEST IT IS BELIEVED THAT
THE CHARGE IS TREASON MRS RAJK WAS IMPRISONED FOR 5 YEARS UNDER
THE RAKOSI REGIME AFTER HER HUSBAND WHO WAS FOREIGN MINISTER HAD
BEEN ARRESTED SHE WAS NOT ALLOWED TO

SEE HER HUSBAND BEFORE HIS DEATH BUT WAS DELIBERATELY PUT INTO
A NEARBY CELL TO ENABLE HER TO HEAR THE SOUNDS OF HIS HANGING
ON JUNE 18 1956 MRS RAJK WAS WELCOMED BY THE PETOFI CIRCLE
WITH STORMY APPLAUSE ACCORDING TO THE HUNGARIAN NEWSPAPER
MAGYAR NEZMET WHEN THE MEMBERS WERE

DISCUSSING THE REHABILITATION OF HER HUSBAND APART FROM THE
CEREMONIES WHEN LASZLO RAJK WAS POSTHUMOUSLY REINSTATED WITH
LAUDATORY TRIBUTES FROM MUENNICHTHE PRESENT PRIME MINISTER
AND ANTAL APRO AT PRESENT MINISTER OF STATE MRS RAJK HAS TAKEN
NO PART IN POLITICS SHE WAS AWARDED 200,000 FORINTS COMPENSATION
FOR HER SUFFERINGS
BEFORE THE OUTBREAK OF THE HUNGARIAN UPRISING AFTER THE SOVIET FORCES REENTERED BUDAPEST SHE SOUGHT REFUGE IN THE YUGOSLAV EMBASSY TOGETHER WITH IMRE NAGY SHE LEFT THE EMBASSY UNDER A SAFE CONDUCT FROM THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT GABOR TANCOS ALSO SOUGHT REFUGE IN THE YUGOSLAV EMBASSY HIS NAME WAS TWICE MENTIONED

IN THE INDICTMENT OF IMRE NAGY HE IS ACCUSED THERE OF TURNING THE PETOFTI CIRCLE INTO A MEETING PLACE FOR HOSTILE ELEMENTS AND A FORUM FOR ATTACKS AGAINST THE PARTY AND THE STATE LATER HE WAS CHARGED WITH INITIATING THE DEMONSTRATION OF OCTOBER 23 1956 WHEN 200 TO 300,000 PEOPLE


CHIEF PROSECUTOR GEZA SZENASI WHO ON JUNE 20 DECLARED THAT NO MAJOR TRIALS WERE IN PREPARATION FOLLOWING THE EXECUTION OF IMRE NAGY PAL AND ASSOCIATES THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION URGENTLY DRAWS WORLD ATTENTION TO THE GENERAL ASSAULT NOW BEING LAUNCHED BY MEANS DENYING ALL THE ELEMENTARY REQUISITES OF JUSTICE LAW
AND HUMANITY ON THOSE IN ANY WAY IDENTIFIED WITH THE IDEALS OF THE OCTOBER RISING THE COMMISSION HAS IMMEDIATELY INFORMED THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROBLEM OF HUNGARY OF THESE LATEST DISTURBING DEVELOPMENTS AND HAS REQUESTED FURTHER INFORMATION FROM THE HUNGARIAN AUTHORITIES INFORMATION WAS ALSO RECEIVED THAT ON

MAY 22 A SECRET TRIAL OF 18 STUDENTS WAS CONCLUDED THEIR AGES WERE FROM 21 TO 26 THEY WERE CHARGED WITH ORGANIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF A REVOLUTIONARY NEWSPAPER ELUNK DURING THE OCTOBER IPRISING ALL BUT ONE WERE FOUND GUILTY SIX WERE SENTENCED TO DEATH ONE TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND THE

REMAINDER RECEIVED SENTENCES RANGING FROM 12 YEAR TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT IT IS FURTHER REPORTED THAT THE ACCUSED WERE HANDCUFFED AND WERE MARCHED INTO THE COURTROOMS IN PAIRS THE DEFENCE COUNSEL WERE REQUIRED TO SWEAR NOT TO REVEAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SENTENCES

INTERJURISTS THE HAGUE

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