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Comrade

Major General ing. František KINCL

Minister of the Interior of the ČSSR

Prague

Esteemed Comrade Minister,

On the order of the 1st Deputy of the Ministry of the Interior of the CSSR I herewith submit a report on the participation of the so-called independent structures in the anti-socialist demonstrations of January 15 – 21, 1989.

With comradely greetings,

Chief of the 2nd Bureau SNB

signature

Col. PhDr. Karel VYKYPĚL

INFORMATION

The anti-socialist demonstration on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the self-immolation of Jan PALACH had direct connection to the events organized by the internal and external adversary in 1988.

The very organization of this demonstration clearly displayed the mounting aggressiveness of the adversarial community, which organized for the days of January 15 – 25, 1989, several consecutive anti-socialistic events, culminating in a so-called national pilgrimage to Všetaty.

These events were widely commented upon and promoted in the Western news media, especially in broadcasts by the BBC, Voice of America, and Radio Free Europe.

Part of the promotional and pressure campaign preceding the actual demonstrations by the anti-socialist forces, the goal of which was to involve the broader public, including the student youth, in the planned events, was a flyer campaign by five of the so-called independent initiatives (CHARTER 77, the John Lennon Peace Club, Children of Bohemia, the Independent Peace Association, and the Society of Friends of the USA) and the sending of an anonymous letter to CHARTER 77 signatory Václav HAVEL and CHARTER 77 spokesperson Dana NĚMCOVÁ, in which the writer announced that he would commit suicide by setting himself on fire as a protest.

In all of the activities by the internal adversary, which are pursuing a so-called course of confrontation, standing in the background are the very same actors, the majority of which are signatories of CHARTER 77 and the other so-called independent initiatives. As in the case of the anti-socialist demonstrations on the anniversary of the self-immolation of J. PALACH, the main organizers were CHARTER 77 signatories Václav HAVEL, Ladislav LIS, Rudolf BATTĚK, Jana STERNOVÁ, CHARTER 77 spokesman Tomáš HRADÍLEK, Dana NĚMCOVÁ, Alexandr VONDRA; Petr PLACÁK of the so-called Children of Bohemia, Heřman CHROMÝ, Stanislav PENC, Otakar VEVERKA for the so-called John Lennon Peace Club; Ondřej ČERNÝ, Jana PETROVÁ, Miloš ZEMAN for the so-called Independent Peace Association, and Petr BARTOŠ, Pavel JUNGSMANN, and Bedřich KOUTNÝ for the Society of Friends of the USA.

Despite the measures taken, provocational assemblies took place in Prague on the days January 15 – 20, 1989, which bore the clear characteristics of anti-socialist political demonstrations. Parts of them were filmed by personnel of the West German television network ARD. The presence was also detected of 1st secretary of the political section of the

Embassy of the USA Robert NORMAN, the 1st secretary of the Embassy of Great Britain Damian TOODA, and the 3rd secretary of the same embassy Patricia Holland.

During the security measures carried out to secure calm and public order in Prague, a total of 1702 persons had their identities checked, 504 persons were brought in for questioning, and 204 persons are being prosecuted.

In carrying out the security measures in the village of Všetaty during January 21, 1989, 227 persons were identity checked and turned back, and 222 persons were brought in for questioning. Among those brought in for questioning were members of the so-called Democratic Initiative E. MANDLER, B. DOLEŽAL, and M. LITOMISKÝ.