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CLAIM AGRARIAN PARTY INDIRECTLY AIDS COMMUNISTS

By their recriminations against other anti-Communist organizations in exile, the "democratic" Agrarian Party is unwittingly becoming a propaganda instrument for the Tirana government.

For example, the Communist newspaper, Zeri i Popullit, writes: "The Vatican is one of the great espionage centers of today. It has collected under its aegis a crew of war criminals who fled from Albania: Kol Biba, E. Koliqi, and Gjon Marka Gjoni, the principal persons who brought about Fascist dictatorship in Albania."

In reply, although wishing to deny the above statements, the Letter From Albania, an anti-Communist newsletter /publication of the Agrarian Party/, really confirmed it by saying:

"But the Albanian people know that the Vatican has nothing to do with these individuals. It is they who brought about the Fascist occupation and the enslavement of our people."

To open the eyes of the Agrarians, it should only be necessary to refer to the statements in the Italian General Canevari's book, The Italian War and the Underlying Causes of Defeat, showing that the Italian government had decided to reestablish the balance of power in the Balkans by taking Albania under its protection de facto as well as de jure.

Now that Albania is enslaved by the USSR, such questions should await the day of liberation. They only furnish Hoxha with fresh arguments.

It is not by echoing the words of Radio Tirana that its lies can be stopped. We ourselves could not imagine taking advantage of the fact that Hasan Dosti, president of the Agrarian Party and chairman of the Free Albanian Committee, was attacked because in 1942, he had been Minister of Justice under the Emperor of Italy, Albania, and Ethiopia and, further, had been in the cabinet of Mustafa Kruja, together with the same Kol Biba now under attack by the Agrarian Party and Radio Tirana.

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The sad truth is that the Agrarian Party wants to eliminate all its enemies, even when these are anti-Communists. Its motto, V.T.Sh.Sh. (Death to Traitors, Albania for the Albanians), has come to signify the more or less violent elimination of all those opposed to the Agrarian Party, and the application of the term Albanian exclusively to those belonging to it.

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