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only elected 2 Councillors. It is accordingly believed that the Communist vote was cast for the Croatian Block, or more properly for Raditch. Attempts are made here to minimize the importance of this election but it would appear to show that Raditch has at least been able to unite all the anti-unionist elements. Whether he will long be able to maintain the union of such discordant elements remains to be seen. An immediate effect of the election has been the more conciliatory attitude of the Radical Party towards the Block. It is believed here that they will be satisfied with relatively small concessions not affecting the unity of the state.

I enclose in this connection a report from the Consul at Zagreb, Mr. Alfred Thomson, regarding the Municipal election, and translations of articles from Belgrade newspapers, containing details of and comments on the voting.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
H. Percival Dodge¹⁷⁸
American Minister

Enclosures:

No. 1. – Report of Mr. A. R. Thomson, Consul at Zagreb¹⁷⁹

No. 2. – Translations of articles from the press.¹⁸⁰

File No. 800-D

31. 1921., prosinac 21., Dodatak izvješću br. 1150 Henryja Percivala Dodgea State Departmentu: Dopis konzula Alfreda Thomsona iz Zagreba poslaniku Henryju Percivalu Dodgeu o „gradskim izborima u Zagrebu“ u kojem kaže da je uspjeh Hrvatskoga bloka bio rezultat „općeg raspoloženja u Hrvatskoj“, a nadalje opisuje namjeru prvaka Hrvatskoga bloka; Radića, Košutića i Šurmina da se odreknu gradskih zastupničkih mjesta što bi „dozvolilo reizbor Vjekoslava Heinzela za gradonačelnika, kao i omogućilo ostalim članovima gradskoga vijeća da prisegnu vjernost kralju“.

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Enclosure no. 3, Despatch dated December 29, 1921.

AMERICAN CONSULATE

Zagreb, Kingdom of the S.H.S
December 21, 1921.

¹⁷⁸ Vlastoručno.

¹⁷⁹ Izvješće nije priloženo.

¹⁸⁰ Prilozi o izborima u Zagrebu iz: *Pravda* (Beograd), 12. prosinca 1921.; *Beogradski dnevnik* (Beograd), 12. prosinca 1921.

SUBJECT: Recent Municipal Election in Zagreb.

The Honorable

H. Percival Dodge,
American Minister,
Belgrade.

Sir:

Supplementing my report of December 12, 1921, regarding the municipal election in Zagreb of December 11, 1921, I have the honor to further report that the overwhelming victory of the Croatian Bloc was due to the general trend of opinion in Croatia and to the fact that a political significance had been attached to this election throughout this district.

The first three candidates on the list of the "Bloc", Stjepan Radic, Dr. Mirko Kosutic¹⁸¹ and Dr. Gjuro Shurmin¹⁸², have expressed their intention to resign the seats in the municipal council to which they were elected. This action will permit the reelection of the former mayor, Mr. Vjekoslav Heinzel.¹⁸³ The resignation of the three prominent politicians named above will also make it possible for the remaining members of the new municipal council to take the oath of allegiance to the monarch.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Alfred R. Thomson¹⁸⁴
Alfred R. Thomson
Consul.

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¹⁸¹ Košutić, Mirko (1869. – 1947.), pravnik, političar. Bio sudac-istražitelj u tzv. Veleizdajničkom procesu 1908. – 1909., napadan zbog navodne protusrpske pristranosti. Po nalogu Narodnoga vijeća SHS-a bio je uhićen u listopadu 1918., zatočen do siječnja 1919. Izabran kao zastupnik u Ustavotvornu skupštinu 1920. na listi Hrvatske stranke prava. Član predsjedništva Hrvatskoga bloka, uz Stjepana Radića i Matu Drinkovića. Nakon raspada Hrvatskoga bloka osnovao 1923. neutjecajnu stranku Starčevićeva hrvatska stranka prava (Hrvatska narodna Starčevićeva stranka, 1926.). (*HBL*, 7 Kam-Ko (Zagreb: Leksikografski zavod Miroslav Krleža, 2009), 716-717).

¹⁸² Šurmin, Đuro (1867. – 1937.), hrvatski književni povjesničar i političar. Sudjelovao u radu Narodnoga vijeća SHS kao izvanstranački političar gdje je bio povjerenikom za trgovinu, obrt i industriju. Od 1919. do 1924. bio je članom Hrvatske zajednice. Bio je ministar za socijalnu politiku (1920.), zatim i ministar trgovine i industrije (1924. – 1925.). (*Hrvatska enciklopedija*, sv. 10 SI-To, 2008, 558)

¹⁸³ Heinzel, Vjekoslav (1871. – 1934.), arhitekt, gradonačelnik. Gradonačelnik Zagreba 1920. – 1921., 1922. – 1928. Bio blizak H(R)SS-u do razilaženja 1927. Nakon toga izabran za načelnika Zagreba s liste Hrvatske federalističke seljačke stranke i Hrvatske stranke prava. (*HBL*, 5 Gn – H, 501-502).

¹⁸⁴ Vlastoručno.