

## DOKUMENTI

Enclosure:

1. Translation of Proclamation of the Democratic Party published on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1924.<sup>288</sup>
2. Translation (Summary) of Speech on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1924, of Mr. Pribitchevich.<sup>289</sup>
3. Translation (Extract) of Article published by Mr. Raditch on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1924.<sup>290</sup>

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52. 1924., kolovoz 4., Memorandum razgovora jugoslavenskoga poslanika u Washingtonu Ante Tresića Pavičića s predstavnikom Odjela Bliskoistočnih poslova (Division of Near Eastern Affairs) o stanju u Jugoslaviji i odnosima s Italijom u kojem je izrazio i mišljenje da će se odsada „Pašićeva stranka“ sve više dezintegrirati jer je „Pašić star čovjek i njegova je politika zastarjela.“

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF NEAR EASTERN AFFAIRS

#### MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION WITH DR. ANTE TRESICH PAVICHICH<sup>291</sup>, YUGOSLAV MINISTER.

August 4, 1924.

The Yugoslav Minister gave me a general survey of the situation in Yugoslavia as a result of the recent Cabinet crisis. He said that in his opinion the party of Pashich would tend to disintegrate from now on. Pashich was a very old man, and, in the Minister's opinion, was advocating policies which were out of date. He had the idea of greater Serbia rather than a federated Yugoslav State. The new Premier, Mr. Davidovitch was a great personal friend of his, the Minister said. On the other hand, the Minister of Foreign Affairs was not his friend and he felt it not unlikely that he would be leaving his post here in Washington. In any event he would be rather glad to get back into Yugoslav politics, which he felt were now entering a most interesting stage.

<sup>288</sup> *Vreme* (Beograd), br. 886, 7. lipnja 1924.

<sup>289</sup> *Vreme* (Beograd), br. 888, 9. lipnja 1924.

<sup>290</sup> *Slobodni dom* (Zagreb), br. 23, 4. lipnja 1924.

<sup>291</sup> Tresić Pavičić, Ante (1867. – 1949.), književnik i političar. Bio je zastupnik u Carevinskom vijeću u Beču od 1906. Za vrijeme Prvoga svjetskog rata bio je interniran zbog protuaustrijjskoga raspoloženja. Bio u diplomatskoj službi Kraljevine SHS od 1919. do 1927. kao poslanik u Madridu i Washingtonu. (*Hrvatska enciklopedija*, sv. 11, Tr-Ž, 2009, 31).

The Minister then described to me the visit to Moscow of the Croatian leader, Raditch, and his desire to Sovietize the Croatian Party. The Minister hoped that the Croatian Party would now repudiate Raditch, and felt that this was not unlikely.

The Minister also took up the question of the incursion of Macedonian bands into Yugoslavia. He described in some detail the activities of Todor Alexandroff<sup>292</sup>, who, although now in Vienna, was understood to be planning the organization of his bands on a greater scale and the waging of a more intensive warfare from his haunts on the Bulgarian-Yugoslav frontier. The activities of Alexandroff forced Yugoslavia, the Minister said, to spend a great deal of money in maintaining adequate military forces on the frontier. He described this man to me as a murderer and brigand whose extradition would be requested in case he should come to this country, as it was at one time understood he planned to do.

The Minister then referred to alleged Italian intrigues in Albania. He stated that he had most reliable information that the Italian Government was now negotiating with the Albanian Government for the making of a loan of one hundred million lire in return for which the Albanian Government would (1) agree to grant oil rights to Italy, (2) give Italy a monopoly on the Albanian coasting trade, (3) allow Italy to establish merchandise depots on the Albanian coast. An Albanian Deputy, in the confidence of Fan Noli<sup>293</sup>, the new Albanian Premier, was now carrying on these negotiations in Rome. If they succeeded they would, in the Minister's opinion, result in making Albania a tributary State of Italy. The Minister apparently felt that these negotiations were a serious threat against Yugoslavia.

I made no comment other than to state that no information had been received by the Department to confirm the report of the negotiations which he had given me.

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<sup>292</sup> Aleksandrov, Todor (1881. – 1924.).

<sup>293</sup> Fan Noli, Teofan (1880. – 1965.), književnik, političar, albanski metropolit. Živio u SAD-u od 1906., studirao na Harvardu. Godine 1920. vratio se u Albaniju, od 1922. albanski ministar vanjskih poslova, od 1923. bio je metropolit Drača (Albanske pravoslavne crkve). Bio predsjednik Seljačke stranke od 1924., a nakon rušenja režima Ahmeda I. Zogua iste godine kratkotrajno je bio i predsjednik vlade. Živio je u izbjeglištvu od 1925. nakon povratka Ahmeda I. Zogua na vlast. (*Hrvatska enciklopedija*, sv. 7 Mal-Nj, 2005, 730).

<sup>294</sup> Vlastoručno, nečitko.