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1. Certain members of the Iron Guard, led by Costin Deleanu and Horia Stamatu, and including a large majority of the intellectuals in the movement, consider that politically the Guard is virtually defunct. At the same time they believe that, before it was "perverted" by the influence of Nazi doctrines, the Guard gave expression to certain moral ideas. These so-called "progressive" Guardists take as their ideal Ion Motza, a member of the Iron Guard who was killed while fighting with Franco in the Spanish Civil War. Motza, they say, personified the man who is more interested in the formation of a Christian personality than in politics. The "progressive" Guardists believe that the purely political policies of the "reactionaries", led by Horia Sima, Georgel Demetrescu and Protopopescu, are doomed to failure.
 2. The "reactionary" Guardists, on the other hand, do not consider the "progressives" to be true members of the Iron Guard.

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