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- 1. On the premises of the former German Academy, situated in the Largo di Villa Massimo No. 2 in Rome, a group of political refugees from the Iron Curtain countries are attempting to start a new European movement along the lines already conceived by winston Churchill. This is being done under cover of a so-called Institute of Labor Studies directed by Professor Fier Fausto Falumbo, professor of history at the University of Bari and director of the magazine Europa and with the support of Dr. Octavian Rosu, a Rumanian refugee.
- 2. Professor Falumbo during the Fascist era was an active staff member of the Fascist daily, L'Impero; after the war he joined the United Europe movement of Churchill. He is the responsible director of Bollettino Europeo, which is printed by an establishment also located in Largo di Villa massimo.
- 3. Dr. Octavian Rosu, who lives at Via Sardegna 42, is the editor of Bollettino Europeo, and head of the Horia Sima faction of the Iron Guard in Italy. Rosu is also representative in Rome of the Pacia Corporation, with offices at Via S. Nicolo da Tolentino 77.
- 4. Rosu some time ago set up a promotion committee for a European-Rumanian movement and affiliated it with the so-called Italian Movement for European Unity, directed by Palumbo. Very soon, however, Rosu revealed himself an agent of the Iron Guard, interested in building up in Rome a Horia Sima Iron Guard center, using the Committee as a cover.
- 5. A branch of the American sponsored Free Europe broadcasting system, promoted by the same group to which Falumbo and Resu belong, will soon be initiated, using the Busto Arsizio short wave transmitter.
- 6. Another enterprise, soon to be started, is a political-journalistic agency which will publish a bulletin of information for the Italian press in which the social program and the system of government of the countries beyond the Iron Curtain will be attacked.
- 7. Lately many members of the Horia Sima faction of the Iron Guard have infiltrated into the United States and Canada for the express purpose of setting the stage in those countries for the anti-Communist political activities which the Iron Guard has used in the past, and which patriotic exiles consider the cause of the present catastrophic situation in which

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Rumania finds herself today.

- The real and principal purpose of this work, according to those who maintain contact in Italy and abroad with the Iron Guard, is that of collecting money in the United States for the support of Iron Guard centers in Europe. In fact it is known that the real headquarters of the Iron Guard, with Horia Sima at its head, is at present in Salzburg, Austria. Assisting Sima there is a certain Wircea Dimitriu who coordinates the work of the Iron Guard in Austria, Italy, France, and Spain. But it seems that Dimitriu concentrates more on the internal organization of the Iron Guard than on its international political program. As far as the latter program is concerned, it has been placed by Salzburg in the hands of Octavian Rosu. The latter, for purposes of cover, operates behind the facade of a Rumanian association sponsoring the United Europe movement and of the pseudo-business firm called Dacia. In these enterprises, he is aided by the wealthy Rumanian businessman. Constantin Dragan, who is the financial patron, and the Italian professor, Fier Fausto Falumbo, who is the moral patron.
- 9. It is possible that Rosu has contacts with Freemasonry. Rosu also is charged with strengthening ties of friendship with the Fascists in Italy as well as with those of Eastern Europe.
- 10. The center for the diffusion of Iron Guard propaganda in Europe is Madrid, where a clique of the Iron Guard has charge of the Rumanian section of the Spanish Mational Radio. The leaders of this propaganda campaign are Gheorghe Uscatescu and Aurel Rautu.
- 11. It is particularly interesting to note that Radio Madrid is one of the broadcasting stations heard best in Rumania. Broadcasts in the Rumanian language go out every day at 6:45 p.m., and into each broadcast there is woven propaganda for the Iron Guard. This propaganda is justified by the affirmation that only thus can the Iron Guard bring it to the attention of the patriots who today are suffering from the results of the bad government of 1940.
- 12. Working with the Iron Guard in Ladrid is the able Rumanian Vasil Issinschi, ex-minister of Labor of the Antonescu-Iron Guard Government.