

TRANSLATION

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ITEM No 363/56

A.A.Distribution

SPECIAL ATTENTION: FEP

PRIORITY

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HUNGARY

EXILE

Balloon Action

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IT IS ILLEGAL TO KEEP WESTERN LEAFLETS.

SOURCE VIENNA: A refugee who had six years of elementary schooling.

DATE OF OBSERVATION: November 1954.

EVALUATION COMMENT: None.

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In November 1954, the public prosecutor of SZOMBATHELY /and probably the other prosecutors too/ received a directive from BUDAPEST according to which the police has to inform the people of their duty to hand, without delay, any leaflets or balloons they may find to the nearest official organ, i.e. to the council, the police, the public prosecutor or the AVH.

The directive stated that according to one of the paragraphs of the Penal Code, everyone who keeps a leaflet and fails to hand it over to the authorities, commits a punishable offense. /The number of the paragraph is unknown to source./

According to another paragraph of the Penal Code, the distribution of leaflets represents an aggravating circumstance.

End.

