

FIRST ADD BUDAPEST KADAR (R51) (WHICH MAY BE BYLINED: BY HENDERSON
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KADAR, 45, WHO HAD BEEN PRIME MINISTER SINCE RUSSIAN TROOPS
QUELLED THE OCTOBER, 1956, ANTI-SOVIET REVOLT, LOOKED FIT AND JOKED
REPEATEDLY WITH HIS COLLEAGUES.

THE PRESIDENT OF HUNGARY, ISTVAN DOBI, PRESENTED HIM WITH A MEDAL
FOR HIS WORK DURING THE "COUNTER REVOLUTION" AND IN THE SUBSEQUENT
RE-ESTABLISHING OF ORDER.

OTHER GOVERNMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY BY KADAR WERE ALSO
ENDORSED BY THE DEPUTIES IN THE BIG MARBLE AND GILT CHAMBER.

THESE CHANGES WERE THAT KADAR AND GYULA KALLAI, FORMER CULTURE
MINISTER, SHOULD REMAIN IN THE GOVERNMENT AS MINISTERS OF STATE WHILE
ANTAL APRO MOVED UP TO BECOME FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER. A WOMAN,
VALERIA BENKE, BECOMES CULTURE MINISTER.

THE SESSION BEGAN WITH SEVERAL SPEECHES ON THE GOVERNMENT REPORT
MADE BY KADAR YESTERDAY, FOLLOWED BY A SUMMING UP BY THE OUTGOING
PRIME MINISTER.

"THE TEMPORARY PRESENCE OF SOVIET TROOPS IN HUNGARY IS NOT DUE TO
THE DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION IN THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLES REPUBLIC BUT
BECAUSE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION," HE SAID. "IT IS NECESSARY
BECAUSE OF THAT SITUATION AND IF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION WAS SUCH
THAT TROOPS COULD BE WITHDRAWN FROM BOTH NATO AND WARSAW PACT
COUNTRIES THIS WOULD CAUSE NO PROBLEM FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
HUNGARIAN PEOPLES REPUBLIC.

"OUR SYSTEM AND PEOPLE ARE STRONG ENOUGH TO PREVENT AN ENEMY
EVEN TRYING TO LAUNCH AN ATTACK ON OUR SYSTEM.

"WE MUST GIVE ETERNAL THANKS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE SOVIET UNION
FOR LIBERATING US FROM THE FASCISTS YOKE OF HITLER AND THE HORRORS OF
WORLD WAR II AND ALSO WHEN THEY GAVE HELP TO OUR PEOPLE AT OUR
REQUEST IN 1956. THIS HELP WE CAN NEVER FORGET."

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, JAN. 28-(REUTERS)-THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TODAY
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY A SHOW OF HANDS THE RESIGNATION OF JANOS
KADAR AS PREMIER AND ELECTED FERENC MUENNICH HIS SUCCESSOR.

AFTERWARDS KADAR, MUENNICH AND OTHER GOVERNMENT LEADERS ADJOURNED
TO A PANELLED ROOM WHERE THEY TOOK THEIR OATHS OF OFFICE AND DRANK
TOASTS IN WHITE WINE.

KADAR ANNOUNCED HIS RESIGNATION YESTERDAY SO THAT HE CAN DEVOTE
HIS ENERGIES TO THE JOB OF FIRST SECRETARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY.
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(HUNGARY)

BUDAPEST--FERENC MUENNICH WAS SWORN IN TODAY AS NEW COMMUNIST PREMIER
OF HUNGARY, SUCCEEDING JANOS KADAR.

KADAR HANDED OVER THE TOP GOVERNMENT POST IN A 10 MINUTE CEREMONY IN
THE BUILDINGS OF PARLIAMENT. HE REMAINS FIRST SECRETARY OF THE HUNGARIAN
SOCIALIST WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY.

THE CEREMONY CAME AFTER NEARLY FIVE HOURS OF SPEECHES DEVOTED TO
THE PRAISE OF KADAR WHO BECAME PREMIER DURING THE REBELLION IN THE FALL
OF 1956.

ALSO SWORN IN WERE NEW DEPUTY PREMIER ATAL APRO, MINISTER OF STATE
GYULA KALLAI AND MINISTER OF CULTURE VALERIE BENKE.

AFTER THE CEREMONY KADAR WAS PRESENTED A MEDAL FOR HIS "STAND DURING
AND AFTER THE COUNTER REVOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE'S POWER."
THE RESHUFFLE IS NOT EXPECTED TO RESULT IN ANY CHANGE OF POLICY.
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