

Chinese Bishop's Statement: In a statement prior to his departure after a month's stay, Bishop Ting Kuang-hsun, leader of the Chinese Protestant delegation

which has been visiting Hungary, said that there could be "no contradiction between the religion of love and the socialist State". (Budapest 15.00, 31.12.57)

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The Communist Government of Premier Janos Kadar has apparently somewhat altered its decision on Jozsef Cardinal Mindszenty. His Deputy Premier Ferenc Muennich frequently mentioned as most likely to succeed Kadar, has told a visiting group of American journalists that Cardinal Mindszenty can stay in the U.S. Legation here as long as he likes. This seems to differ with the attitude expressed here in the past. Until recently a leading Hungarian political journal attacked the principle of political asylum for the Cardinal and used quotes from the works of American jurists to support his argument. Cardinal Mindszenty has been living in a room in the American Legation at No. 12 Freedom Square ever since 4 November 1956 when Russian troops re-entered Budapest to crush the revolt.

The Cardinal is now 65 years of age and in good health. Mr. Muennich told the American newsmen that the Cardinal is where he is because that is what the Pope wants. "We are ~~not~~ in no diplomatic relations with the Pope", Mr. Muennich said, "but we respect him. We have no right to interfere with the hospitality of the U. S. Legation". On the other hand Mr. Muennich was against the idea of giving the Cardinal a guarantee of safe-conduct to leave the country on the ground that he is