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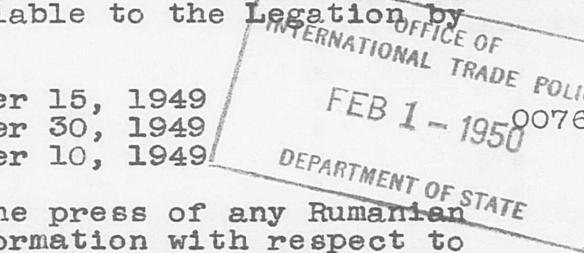
SUBJECT: STATISTICS ON FOREIGN TRADE OF USSR JULY 1 TO DECEMBER
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There is enclosed a list of Rumanian imports from the USSR as obtained from press sources and covering the period of July 1 to December 31, 1949. This list is not believed to be complete, nor necessarily accurate. It represents merely those items which the Rumanian Government sees fit to publish. While the Legation is in no position to verify the list either as to its character or the quantities involved, it is suggested that it be considered in the light of the following despatches transmitting such information on Rumanian-Soviet trade as has been made available to the Legation by confidential sources:

Despatch No. 452, November 15, 1949
 Despatch No. 474, November 30, 1949
 Despatch No. 489, December 10, 1949

No mention has been made in the press of any Rumanian exports to the USSR. The only information with respect to this subject that has come to the Legation's attention was that reported in despatches No. 452 dated November 15 and No. 487 dated December 10, 1949.



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Partial list of imports
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dated January 21, 1950 at Bucharest
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USSR Exports to Rumania

July 1 to December 31, 1949

(From Press Sources)

Machinery and Industrial Supplies

Apparatus and equipment for radio transmission and stations	unspecified quantity
Bearings, ball	" "
Bearings, roller	" "
Bits, drilling	" "
Chains, anchor	2,267 kg.
Cables, wire	17,567 kg.
Cables	
Telephone and telegraph	88,000 kg.
Telephone	65,084 meters
Coke	unspecified quantity
Compressors, air	" "
Drill sharpeners	" "
Equipment, oil, miscellaneous	" "
Electrodes	" "
Insulating material	" "
Lathes, parallel	" "
Lathes, precision	" "
Lathes, automatic (4.5 meters)	1 unit
Machines for adjustment of ball and roller bearings	unspecified quantity
Machines, precision	" "
Machines, milling	" "
Machines, cylinder boring	" "
Machines, plane grinding	" "
Machines, vertical drilling	" "
Machines, drilling	" "
Machines for truing crankshafts	" "
Machinery	4 M.T. (metric tons)
Machinery, textile	8.6 M.T.
Machinery, Shoe making	4.2 M.T.
Pipes, oil	unspecified quantity
Parts, radio	4 M.T.
Parts, machinery	2 M.T.
Parts, spare, textile machinery	unspecified quantity
Radio piping stations	unspecified quantity
Rollers, for rolling mills	" "
Tubes and material, radio	4 cases
Tools, metal cutting	unspecified quantity
Wire	20 M.T.

IRON, cast
IRON, pig
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Agricultural Machinery, Implements and Parts

Combines	unspecified quantity
Mowers	" "
Parts, spare, agricultural machinery	" "
Plowshares	" "
Scythes	" "
Tractors	" "
Threshers	" "

Automotive Equipment, Supplies and Parts

Automobiles, "Pobeda"	" "
Engines, ZIS-150	" "
Engines, Diesel Marine	2 units
Engines, Diesel	unspecified quantity
Parts, Auto	" "
Ball bearings	" "
Carburetors	" "
Electro motors	" "
Differentials	" "
Brake linings	" "
Pistons	" "
Piston rings	" "
Spark plugs	" "
Miscellaneous, for the upkeep of ZIS vehicles (consisting of engines, pistons, piston rings, gear boxes, differential gears)	5 M.T.
Miscellaneous, for ZIS trucks (consisting of pistons, iron wheels, electrical auto equipment, cables, etc.)	4.5 M.T.
Miscellaneous, for ZIS, IAZ, POBEDA vehicles (consisting of ball bearings, spark plugs, pistons, secondary batteries, 60 M.T. electric bulbs, brake linings, pinions, gear boxes, differentials, drive shafts, etc.)	
Tires, tractor and automobile	957 kg.
Trucks, IAZ 7-ton	unspecified quantity
Trucks, ZIS-150, 4-ton	" "
Trucks, ZIS-110	" "

Chemical and Metallurgical Products

Acetone	unspecified quantity
Chemicals	" "
Dyes	" "
Ferro-alloys	" "
Iron	2,000 M.T.
Iron, cast	unspecified quantity
Iron, pig	" "
Iron, rolled	" "

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Iron, hoop	unspecified quantity
Iron, angle	" "
Puddle bars	" "
Reagents, chemical	1,676 kg.
Reagents,	unspecified quantity
Steel	120 M.T.
Steels, special	unspecified quantity
Sheets, copper and brass	1,000 kg.

Drugs and Medical Supplies

Dental supplies and equipment	unspecified quantity
Medical and dental laboratory supplies and equipment	" "
Medical supplies and equipment	" "
Medicines	" "

Raw Materials

Barite, native barium sulphate	2,000 M.T.
Cotton	unspecified quantity
Cotton, raw	6, 138 M.T.
Copper	unspecified quantity
Graphite	18 M.T.
Ore, Iron	unspecified quantity
Phosphate, super	533 M.T.
Rubber, raw	23,360 kg.
Tin	9,000 kg.

Agricultural and Animal Products

Fertilizers, chemical	unspecified quantity
Seeds	" "

General

Films, motion picture	" "
Projectors, such as the K-101 type	" "
Wheelbarrows, metal	" "

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 FROM : BUCHAREST 137 February 18, 1950
 REF : LEGDES 489, DECEMBER 10, 1949
 SUBJECT : USSR-RUMANIAN COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT

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A new commercial agreement between Rumania and the USSR was signed January 8, 1950, which contained secret annexes calling for an exchange of goods to a total value of 700,000,000 rubles, and providing for large shipments of Rumanian petroleum products to the Soviet Union, according to information just received from a usually reliable informant.

While the informant has been unable to obtain full details of the agreement, he has stated that Rumania under the agreement will supply the Soviet Union, among other things, with 1,800,000 tons of petroleum products and in turn will receive 30,000,000 rubles worth of industrial equipment consisting principally of oil-field machinery.

The informant hopes to have additional details of the agreement shortly.

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PRAVDA February 22 announced signature February 17th
agreement re Rumanian-Soviet trade and payments 1950
resulting negotiations USSR Ministry Foreign Trade
and Rumanian trade delegation.

Parties agreed considerable increase reciprocal
trade 1950 compared trade 1949. Trade between USSR-
Rumania 1950 as regards reciprocal deliveries increase
over 30 percent compared 1949 trade.

Soviet Union furnish Rumania cotton metals, iron ore,
coke, industrial equipment, automobiles, agricultural
machinery, et cetera.

Rumania furnish USSR petroleum products, wood materials,
railway cars, chemical goods, meat products, et cetera.

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Rumanian press February 24 announces Soviet Rumanian trade and payments agreement for 1950 signed Moscow February 19 but gives no details beyond those reported Moscow 621, February 22.

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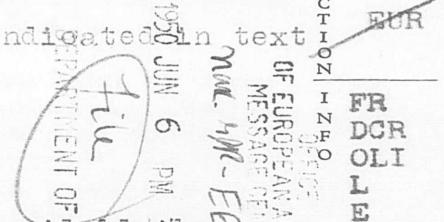
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FROM : BUCHAREST 339 May 26, 1950. 1 Enclosure

REF : Leg's Despatch 137, February 18, 1950 and as indicated in text

SUBJECT : SOVIET-RUMANIAN TRADE AGREEMENT, 1950

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There is submitted herewith a list made available by a member of a friendly foreign mission in Bucharest purporting to set forth the extent and nature of Soviet-Rumanian planned trade for 1950 under the terms of the current trade agreement between the two countries. It will be noted that the list does not cover all of the items referred to by the Moscow and Bucharest press at the time of the announcement of the signing of the Soviet-Rumanian trade agreement (Moscow telegram 522, February 22; Leg's telegram 113, February 24), but that it does appear to reflect the information on Soviet-Rumanian trade submitted in the Legation's despatch No. 137 of February 18, 1950.

While less detailed than similar lists for previous years, the present list follows the patterns set by the basic 1949 Soviet-Rumanian trade agreement (Leg's despatch 173, April 22, 1949) and its supplement of July 1949 (Leg's despatch 452, November 15, 1949) in emphasizing Soviet industrial equipment and raw materials and Rumanian petroleum and construction materials. It differs substantially from previous agreements, however, in the sharp reduction of several Rumanian commitments to the U.S.S.R., particularly with respect to such agricultural products as cereals, potatoes, and sugar. (This difference may, however, stem from the list's being incomplete, as would appear to be indicated in the omission of items published in the Soviet and Rumanian press and of several other items, such as machine tools, pig iron, and aluminum, believed essential to the development and expansion of Rumanian socialist industry.)

Significant increases in Soviet materiel for Rumania are to be noted in agricultural machinery (1.5 million to 30 million rubles*), special steels (5 million to 12.5 million rubles), and unprocessed cotton (32 million to 40 million rubles). It is probable, however, that these large increases

* The agreement having been signed in January 1950, the value of the ruble should be taken at \$.195

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may be in part attributable to reclassification or regrouping of items that appeared separately on the 1949 list.

It is not possible to make effective comparison of some of the items on the present list with those quoted in 1949, as some references formerly shown in rubles are now quoted in terms of tons or units, and vice versa. Further, no exact or individual counterpart can be found in previous Soviet-Rumanian trade agreements for several items on the present list: Thus, rubber, silica, magnesite, and refractory bricks, which are shown separately on the present list, were grouped together in 1949. Another barrier to analysis is encountered when it is found that there is no reference in previous agreements to such commodities as rails and railway equipment, graphite crucibles, band saws, and aircraft, all of which appear in the current list.

On the whole, and even without effective analysis, a qualitative examination of planned Soviet exports to Rumania in 1950 appears to reflect the continuing interest of the Soviet Union in the development of Rumanian basic industries, as well as a desire to develop and exploit in the smaller country a market for certain basic but presumably profitable consumer items.

The same exploitation motif also seems well expressed in the list of Rumanian exports to the U.S.S.R. Of principal importance is the continuing demand by the Soviet Union for Rumanian petroleum products, amounting to 1.8 million tons for 1950. (It will be recalled that the original 1949 commitment was 1.5 million tons of petroleum products, but that was supplemented in July 1949 by an agreement providing for an additional 235,000 tons to be supplied by Rumania.) The question of petroleum deliveries assumes especial interest when it is recalled that the Rumanian oil industry has for the past six months been subjected to a press campaign of propaganda and criticism urging it to new efforts for increased production, but that it has nonetheless been consistently unable to attain the goals set for it by the national State Plan (Leg's despatch 307, May 9, 1950).

The motif is also expressed in the cotton trade cycle, with 40 million rubles' worth of unprocessed cotton being exported by the Soviet Union to Rumania and 36 million rubles' worth of processed cotton taking the return route. These

figures represent a sizable increase over the 1949 Soviet-Rumanian cotton exchange (when only 32 million rubles' worth was supplied and 20 million rubles' worth returned), but the basic concept of trade in this commodity--as in the whole range and scope of Soviet-Rumanian economic and political relations--has remained unchanged.

Industrial equipment

Coal

Coke

Mineral oils

Semi-manufactured

Special steels

Hard rubber

Fibers

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Motorcycles

Sievels

Automobile spare parts

Bearings

Agricultural machinery

Electric meters

Radio sets

Photographing apparatus

Motion picture apparatus

Typewriters

Calculating machines

Sewing machines

Radio tubes

Electric light bulbs

Silica

Magnesite

Refractory brick

Graphite crucibles

Talc

Gypsum

Talc

Unprocessed cotton

Medicines

Airplane motors

Aircraft

Miscellaneous

8,000,000 R.

1,000,000 R.

* Special protocol, detailed

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USSR-RUMANIAN TRADE AGREEMENT

I. List No. 1 -- Rumanian Imports from USSR

Petroleum equipment (*)	25,000,000	R.
Industrial equipment (***)	30,000,000	R.
Coal	250,000	t.
Coke	180,000	t.
Mineral ores	14,000,000	R.
Semi-manufactured metal products	15,000	t.
Special steels	12,500,000	R.
Hard metals	3,000,000	R.
Copper sheets	280	t.
Rails and railway equipment	5,000,000	R.
Automobiles	600	u.
Trucks	350	u.
Motorcycles	800	u.
Bicycles	3,000	u.
Automobile spare parts	3,000,000	R.
Bearings	120,000	u.
Agricultural machinery	30,000,000	R.
Electric motors	10,000,000	R.
Radio sets	15,000	u.
Photographic apparatus	4,000	u.
Motion picture apparatus	120	u.
Typewriters	1,000	u.
Calculating machines	300	u.
Sewing machines	1,200	u.
Radio tubes	12,000	u.
Electric light bulbs	800,000	u.
Silica	2,600,000	R.
Magnesite		R.
Refractory brick		R.
Graphite crucibles	450,000	R.
Band saws	1,200,000	R.
Rubber	5,000,000	R.
Tires	2,000	sets
Unprocessed cotton	40,000,000	R.
Medicine	20,000,000	R.
Airplane motors	12	u.
Aircraft	4,000,000	R.
Miscellaneous	10,000,000	R.

* Special protocol, detailed

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II. List No. 2 -- Rumanian Exports to USSR

Petroleum products (*)	1,800,000	t.
Wheat	40,000	t.
Corn	75,000	t.
Other cereals	15,000	t.
Potatoes	25,000	t.
Sugar	8,000	t.
Alcohol	25,000	hl.
Wine, liquors	40,000	hl.
Edible oil	15,000	hl.
Eggs	2,500,000	u.
Meat	20,000	t.
Canned meat	15,000	t.
Vegetables, fruit	45,000	t.
Canned goods	10,000	t.
Poultry	350,000	u.
Construction lumber (**)	20,000,000	R.
Cement	120,000	t.
Soda	5,000	t.
Processed cotton	36,000,000	R.
Glass (***)	8,000,000	R.
Bricks	75,000	t.
Miscellaneous	15,000,000	R.

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PRAVDA January 8 reports arrival January 7 Rumanian trade delegation led by A. Barladeanu, Rumanian Minister Foreign trade. Delegation met by Rumanian Ambassador Bugich and following officials USSR Ministry Foreign Trade; Deputy Minister Loshakov, Chief Protocol Division Kuzminsky and E. N. Fadeev who listed as chief Rumanian Division in Ministry.

M. F. Yunakov, USSR trade representative in Rumania also arrived at same time.

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FROM: Tehran

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 56, July 5, 3 p.m.

Several recent articles in Tehran press have given accounts of progress towards settlement of Iran's fin claims on Sovs, and one paper published statement that agrmt already reached whereby USSR return gold and dollars in Moscow. Yesterday, however, member of Iran del conducting negots stated that such rumors pure "provocation", and no agrmt whatever yet reached.

At same time, while informant usually reliable and info probably correct to date, Sovs may possibly consider that present difficulties of Iranian Govt offer favorable psychological moment to obtain, first leverage in negots, and then probable advantage by settlement.

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TO: Secretary of State

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Re Moscow EMBTEL 44 to Dept.

Iranian member of delegation negotiating financial claims with Sovs repeated today that no (rpt no) settlement yet reached.

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Rumanian trade deleg arrived Moscow Jan 2 headed by Foreign Trade Minister Barladeanu. Met by Soviet Deputy Minister Foreign Trade Loshakov, acting chief MFT office of Eastern and Central Europe Gordeichik, chief Rumanian section MFT Fadeev, chief MFT protocol Nikolaev and Rumanian Ambassador

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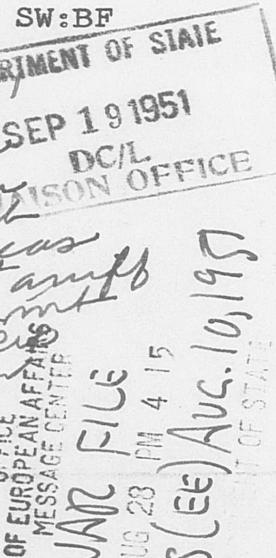
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PRAVDA Aug 28 announces Soviet-Rumanian long-term agreement signed Aug 24. Industrial equipment and technical aid extended Rumania. Mutual trade turnover 1952-1955 foreseen 50 percent higher than yearly average 1948-1951.

Rumanian del under Min Foreign Trade A. Byrledyan departed Moscow Aug 27. Present agreement apparently longer-term and more extensive than Soviet-Rumanian trade and payments agreement signed Mar 15, 1951.

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Tehran press quotes Dr. Fatemi Undersec State to PRIMIN as stating that Sov-Iran Finan Commission has completed its report, but that report not (rpt not) yet submitted to govt.

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Also quoted statement from same source to effect that govt considers not (rpt not) yet necessary to issue National Loan bonds. Other govt officials periodically express scepticism re subscriptions to National Loan.

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Soviet press announced signing in Moscow March 31 Soviet-Rumanian trade protocol for 1954 by which Soviets agree supply Rumania with cotton, coke, iron ore, ferrous and non-ferrous metals, fertilizer, industrial equipment, agricultural machinery automobiles in return for Rumanian oil products, timber, cement, chemical products, fishing boats, barges and steam boilers.

Press notice also mentions that as result earlier agreement signed this year the Soviet Union agreed to supply Rumania with complete equipment for industrial plants as well as necessary technical help to install it.

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