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I request permission to relieve Major General TIUL'PANOV Sergei Ivanovich of his post as Chief of the Information Administration of the Soviet Military Administration in Germany, placing him under the command of the Main Political Administration of the Armed Forces.

It has been established that the parents of Major General TIUL'PANOV were convicted of espionage: the father in 1938, the mother in 1940. The wife of TIUL'PANOV's brother was in contact with the Secretary of one of the embassies in Moscow--an agent of English intelligence; her father was sentenced to be shot as a member of the right-wing Trotskyist organization. TIUL'PANOV's brother and his brother's wife are closely connected with the family of Major General TIUL'PANOV S.I.

At the end of 1948, organs of the MGB [Ministry for State Security] in Germany arrested LUKIN -- TIUL'PANOV's driver -- for traitorous intentions and for anti-Soviet agitation. LUKIN's father betrayed his Motherland in 1928 and fled to Iran.

Major General TIUL'PANOV concealed the facts of the arrests and convictions of his father, mother, and relatives from the party, and he did not indicate these in his biographical information.

A number of employees of the Information Administration departments have been arrested lately on suspicion of espionage, and several were recalled to the Soviet Union from Germany for the reason of political unreliability. Major General TIUL'PANOV took no initiative in instituting these measures against the politically compromised persons. He did not approve of these measures, although he expressed no open opposition to them.

The arrested LUKIN, TIUL'PANOV's driver, testified that TIUL'PANOV revealed his negative attitudes in the driver's presence. Fel'dman, the former employee of the Information Administration who is now under arrest, testified that TIUL'PANOV made criminal bargains with his subordinates, engaged in extortion, and received illegal funds. There were 35 books of a fascist nature seized from TIUL'PANOV's apartment.

By his nature TIUL'PANOV is secretive and not sincere. Over the last year he has behaved especially nervously, taking different measures to find out about the attitude of the leading organs in Moscow towards him.

I regard it as undesirable to keep Major General TIUL'PANOV in the Soviet Military Administration in Germany. I consider it necessary for the sake of the mission to relieve him of his post and not to let him reenter Germany. The Main Political Administration contemplates using TIUL'PANOV to work within our country.

Comrades Vasilevskii and Chuikov support the proposal to relieve Major General TIUL'PANOV of his duties in the Soviet Military Administration in Germany.

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