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Karoly Prat and Puzanov review events connected with the 5th anniversary of the Bandung Conference.

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I received VNR Ambassador Karoly Prat.

The Ambassador said that the VNR MFA had informed all its ambassadors about events being held in the Soviet Union in connection with the 5th anniversary of the Bandung Conference. Karoly Prat said, the MFA had given him instructions about all issues connected with this anniversary, and to have full contact and close links with the Soviet Ambassador. Consequently Karoly Prat was interested in whether the Soviet Embassy intends to hold any events connected with the 5th anniversary of Bandung.

I told the Ambassador that through their Ambassador in Moscow the Korean friends had also informed me of the events being held by the Soviet Union in connection with the 5th anniversary of Bandung. As is well known, the Korean friends are widely noting this anniversary in the press, and the historic significance of the conference is being stressed demonstrating the spirit of solidarity and cooperation of the peoples of Asia and Africa for peace and independence. It seems to us that there is no need to hold any special events through embassy channels in connection with this anniversary.

Karoly Prat completely agreed with the opinion expressed.

He further reported that an interesting report of First Deputy Premier Cde. Arpo was published on 9 April in the newspaper Nepszabadsag, "Economic Cooperation of the Countries of the Socialist Camp", which he gave at the VSRP [Hungarian Socialist Workers Party] Political Academy. The Ambassador asked that if possible this report be given him translated into Russian in connection with the fact that the Embassy intends to distribute Cde. Arpo's report in Russian to all the ambassadors. The Embassy cannot make the translation from Hungarian to Russian because of a lack of skilled translators.

I told the Ambassador that Cde. Arpo's report was not published in the newspapers and magazines received. If the Embassy gets Arpo's report translated into Russian then of course we will immediately send it to the Hungarian Embassy.

At the end of the conversation Karoly Prat said that he is leaving today for Mukden for two or three days to familiarize himself with the city.

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USSR AMBASSADOR IN THE DPRK

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