

Interviewer: M. Ivansco
Place: I.Y.
Date: May 27/28, 1957

Interview was conducted on basis of
new questionnaire

I. PERSONAL INVENTORY

1. Name: 53-M
2. Age: 46
3. Sex: Male
4. Marital status: married
5. Religion: Roman Catholic
6. Birthplace: Budapest
7. Spent most of his life in Budapest
8. Before the revolution broke out respondent lived in 12th district on Sas Hegy
9. Was abroad almost every year for vacations before the war in Austria, Germany, Italy, and Switzerland
10. Respondent was reserve officer in Hungarian army before and during World War II. He attained the rank of 1st lieutenant. He performed military service almost every year from 1934 to 1943
11. Respondent was graduated from a Budapest gymnasium in 1930. He acquired a political science degree at the Budapest University in 1934
12. Before 1945 until 1949 respondent was a municipal employee in Budapest. From 1949-1950 he was employed as an office worker by a construction enterprise. For 1½ years he worked for a company making classroom equipment. For about nine months he worked as a

stand-in for the film industry. After that he was employed as a book-keeper by the Council for Industrial Arts. He kept this job until his departure from Hungary.

13. Parents: Mother aged 70 now in Budapest

14. One sister aged 43 also in Budapest

15. No children

16. Left Hungary February 2, 1957

17. Arrived in U.S. May 7, 1957

18. Since his arrival in U.S. he has only been in Union, N.J. and N.Y.C.

19. Respondent has been promised a Rockefeller Institute scholarship to conduct scientific research. His major sphere of interest is history. He is also looking for a permanent job as an industrial draftsman or designer.

20. Since leaving Hungary respondent has been interviewed by Columbia University, Hungarian interview program.

21. He speaks English, German, and French

22. Took part in the demonstrations, but not in the fighting.

Helped revive the Peasant Party after the Russian withdrawal. Respondent left Hungary just in February of this year, and is a recent arrival to the U.S. He is an intellectual with upper middle-class background. He is of medium height, muscular, active in sports, and good-looking. Very intelligent. His response was good, but he was inclined to give short answers. Repetition and overlap irritated him. His recollection of the revolutionary events is somewhat blurred. Comparing our interview with the interview he had at Columbia, he claims that our questionnaire is more interesting and more detailed. However, it is more tiring.