

Selected Records from the National Council for the Study of Securitate Archives (CNSAS), 1920–1952.

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Administrative Information

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Forms part of the Claims Conference International Holocaust Documentation Archive at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. This archive consists of documentation whose reproduction and/or acquisition was made possible with funding from the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.

Existence and Location of Originals:
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Related Materials:

USHMM Archives:

RG-25.004M, Selected Records from the Romanian Information Service, 1936-1984.

RG-25.091M, Collection of indictments and transcripts of trials of war criminals and political leaders, 1945-1959.

Elena Dragomir, "The Romanian Secret Services, Politics, and the Media," April 20, 2011, on the website, *Balkananalysis.com*; <http://www.balkananalysis.com/romania/2011/04/20/the-romanian-secret-services-politics-and-the-media-a-structural-overview/>.

Accruals: Accruals may have been received since this collection was first processed, see archives catalog at collections.ushmm.org for further information.

Processing History: Aleksandra B. Borecka, 2011-2021.

Scope and Content of Collection

Records relating to the surveillance of Iron Guardists, 1945-1959; Protestant churches, 1920-1945; Freemasons; Jewish organizations, 1924-1952; and Zionists. The emigration of Jews to Palestine, 1941-1943; other files on Jewish emigration, 1939-1944, wartime surveillance of

ethnic Germans, wartime occupation of Northern Transylvania. Seven files (CNSAS 11-1) documentation of Communist secret police surveillance of people connected to wartime crimes in Vasiliorka-Tulcin and in Mostovi, Berezovka, and Transnistria. Includes lists of officers in the Romanian Army before and after 1944, lists of Iron Guard, miscellaneous military documents, Iron Guard records, documents relating to King Carol, Ferdinand and Michael, and the Royal house.

System of Arrangement

The system of arrangement of the source repository has been preserved in digital images. The dossiers in this collection are maintained in numeric order, according to a numbering system in use at the CNSAS. The tabular inventory that follows was provided by the CNSAS, and lists these files according to this numeric sequence. However, these numbers are also cross-referenced with the original "Dosar," or dossier numbers that were assigned to these files by the Securitate, and which in turn, continued to be used by its successor agency, the SRI. In addition, the table provides the number of pages and/or images in each file ("Cadre") and the title given on the folder of each dossier ("Temă").

Historical Note

The Securitate, or the Departamentul Securității Statului (Department of State Security), was established in 1948 as a branch of the Romanian Ministry of the Interior. During the next four decades, it alternately functioned as an independent agency within the government, or as a subordinate agency within the Interior Ministry. It was known as the Council of State Security from 1967 to 1978, and the Department of State Security from 1978 to 1989. Following the overthrow of the regime of Nicolae Ceaucescu in December 1989, the Securitate was disbanded and replaced in March 1990 with the Serviciul Român de Informații, or Romanian Intelligence Service, also known by its abbreviation, the S.R.I. The foreign intelligence service prior to 1989, known as the Romanian Center for Foreign Intelligence, or the Centrul de Informații Externe (CIE), was likewise replaced in 1990 by the Foreign Intelligence Service, or the Serviciul de Informații Externe (SIE).

The Consiliul Național pentru Studierea Arhivelor Securității, CNSAS (National Council for the Study of the Securitate Archives) was created as a political institution during the first centre-right post-revolutionary government (1996-2000). The institution was placed under the control of the parliament and run by a college made up of representatives appointed by the political parties. CNSAS employed 250 people, most of them historians and lawyers.

Indexing Terms

Personal Name

Carol I, King of Romania, 1839-1914.

Ferdinand I, King of Romania, 1865-1927.

Michael I, King of Romania, 1921-

Corporate Name

Garda de Fier.

Topical Term

World War, 1939-1945--Atrocities--Romania.

World War, 1939-1945--Confiscations and contributions--Romania.
Pogroms--Romania--Iași.
Zionists—Romania—History—20th century.
Freemasonry--Romania—History—20th century.
Jews, Romanian—Palestine—20th century.
Germans--Romania--History--20th century.
Nationalism--Romania--History--20th century.
Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)—Romania.

Geographic Name

Romania--Ethnic relations.
Romania--Emigration and immigration--Government policy.
Romania--Politics and government--1914-1944.
Transnistria (Ukraine) : Territory under German and Romanian occupation, 1941-1944)
Iași (Romania)

Genre/Form

Registers.
Reports.
Correspondence.

CONTAINER LIST

Note:

A part of the files relating to the Pogrom of Iasi (#108233) and a part of the files on the trial of Ion Antonescu (#40010) already exist in the collection, RG-25.004M, Selected Records from the Romanian Information Service (SRI), 1936-1984. These files were reproduced again in totality because the quality of scans are much better than the microfilms from SRI. Researchers consulting this collection are encouraged to also visit files from the collection RG-25.004M (Selected Records from the Romanian Information Service). This collection is complementary to RG-25.084M.

Inventory in Romanian compiled by the National Council for the Study of the Securitate Archives (CNSAS) and transferred to the Musum Archives via the IAPD, the Excel: RG25.084M_01_fnd_ro