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COUNTRIES OF THE SOVIET BLOC,  
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Note by the United Kingdom Delegation

In submitting the attached note on exchanges between the United Kingdom and countries of the Soviet Bloc the United Kingdom Delegation wishes to draw attention to the following points:-

- (1) Although the lists are as comprehensive as possible there can be no guarantee that they are complete. They do, however, give a fair idea both of the scale and type of the exchanges which have or are taking place during the first half of this year.
- (2) It has not always been easy to decide under which heading a visit should be listed, e.g. Mr. Malenkov's visit to the United Kingdom is inserted under the heading of technical exchanges rather than under that of political exchanges, the ostensible purpose of his visit being to inspect electric power stations.
- (3) Unless otherwise stated throughout the document, visits in both directions have taken place without official sponsorship on the part of the United Kingdom Government. In this connection attention should be drawn to the distinction between the Soviet Relations Committee, which is an officially sponsored body in the United Kingdom, and the Society for Cultural Relations with the Soviet Union which is closely associated with the British Soviet Friendship Society and is a communist-dominated body.
- (4) The problem of exchanges with the satellite countries is somewhat different from that of exchanges with the Soviet Union. As is doubtless the case with other member governments, Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom are at present reviewing their attitude to exchanges with the Satellites.

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EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND  
THE COUNTRIES OF THE SOVIET BLOC, JANUARY  
TO JUNE, 1956

A. UNITED KINGDOM TO SOVIET UNION

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Mr. Nigel Birch, Secretary of State for Air, will attend and Air Display in Moscow on June 24.

2. Cultural Visits

(a) A delegation of nine musicians and composers, led by Sir Arthur Bliss and organized by the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council, visited the Soviet Union in April/May.

(b) Two representatives of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, invited by the Soviet Ministry of Culture, visited Moscow in March.

(c) A delegation of two ornithologists attended the International Ornithological Congress in Leningrad, January 1956.

(d) A delegation of eight representatives of the Royal Society, led by Lord Adrian and travelling under arrangements made by the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council, visited the Soviet Union in May as guests of the Soviet Academy of Sciences.

3. Technical Visits

(a) A delegation of eighteen representatives of the British Electricity Authority led by Lord Citrine inspected Soviet power stations at the invitation of the Soviet Minister of Power Stations, Mr. Kulenkov, in April.

(b) A delegation of 7 representatives of the British Broadcasting Corporation visited Moscow in May for technical discussions.

(c) A delegation of 4 atomic scientists, two of them from the Harwell Research Establishment accepted an invitation to attend a conference in Moscow on Higher Energy Nuclear Physics in May.

(d) A delegation of eleven representatives of the National Coal Board accepted an invitation to 'inspect the Soviet Coal industry' in May.

(e) The Minister of Housing and Local Government, Mr. Duncan Sandys, accompanied by his wife, visited architectural and constructural developments in the Soviet Union in May at the invitation of the Deputy Chairman of the Council of Ministers, Mr. V. Kucherenko.

4. Sporting Events

Nil.

5. Tourist Travel

Thirty-five tourists visited the Soviet Union under arrangements made by "Progressive Tours", the first of a number of tours planned for this summer. "Progressive Tours Ltd." is a Communist travel agency and does not enjoy membership of the Association of British Travel Agents.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities, etc.

- (a) A delegation of nine representatives of the Manchester City Council, led by the Lord Mayor, Alderman T. Regan, visited Leningrad in February.
- (b) A delegation of four representatives of the Sheffield City Council led by the Lord Mayor, Alderman J. Curtis, visited Stalino in April.
- (c) A delegation of six members of the Plymouth City Council visited Novorossisk in April.
- (d) A delegation of four officials of the Birmingham Trades Council visited Sverdlovsk, in April, led by their President.
- (e) A delegation of four representatives of the Wolverhampton City Council, led by the Lord Mayor, Alderman George Rastall, are to visit the Moskvoretsky district of Moscow in June.

7. Trade Union Visits

- (a) A delegation of two past presidents of the National Union of Teachers visited the Soviet Union in May.
- (b) A delegation of nine members of the Lancashire Area of the National Union of Mineworkers, led by Edwin Hall, the Area General Secretary, visited the Soviet Union in May on the invitation of the Central Committee of Soviet Mineworkers.
- (c) A delegation of eleven members of the Yorkshire area of the National Union of Mineworkers, led by Mr. J.R.A. Machen, the Area President, visited the Soviet Union to attend May Day celebrations.

B. SOVIET UNION TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits of Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

In April Marshal Bulganin and Mr. N.S. Khrushchev visited the United Kingdom at the invitation of the Prime Minister. (A few weeks previously General I. Serov had arrived to check the security arrangements) The

delegation included, in addition to its principal members:

Mr. Gromyko  
Mr. Mikhailev  
Mr. Yerofeyev  
Mr. Tupolev  
Mr. Kurchatov  
Mr. Kумыkin

2. Cultural Visits

- (a) On February 3, a teachers' delegation of five visited the United Kingdom.
- (b) On February 3, a Soviet legal expert, Mr. S.A. Golunsky, invited by the Legal Section of the Society for Cultural Relations with the USSR arrived to lecture at London University.
- (c) On February 3 Mr. S.E. Vasiliev visited London to address the British Film Academy.
- (d) In February the Soviet violinist, Mr. D. Oistrakh, visited the United Kingdom under the auspices of Harold Holt Ltd. and the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council.
- (e) From February 1-8 the Soviet Minister of Culture, Mr. N.A. Mikhailov, visited the United Kingdom at the invitation of the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council. He was accompanied by:  
  
Mr. Danilov  
Mr. Orvid  
Mr. Shvedov
- (f) In March, the Soviet 'cellist, Mr. Rostropovitch gave recitals under the auspices of the Society for Cultural Relations with the USSR.
- (g) In March, Professor Tolstov and his wife, lectured at the London Institute of Archaeology.
- (h) In April, Mr. E.Y. Minchurnikov attended a conference of Sixth Form Teachers of Physics in London.
- (i) In April at the invitation of Professor Bernal, Mr. K.I. Lukashev, (Rector of Byelo Russian State University) lectured on Soviet Higher Education in London.
- (j) In April Vazgen I, the Supreme Catholicos of All the Armenians, visited the United Kingdom as the guest of the Archbishop of Canterbury.
- (k) The Moscow State Circus are performing in London during May.

3. Technical Visits

- (a) In January, Dr. V.A. Englehardt attended a meeting of the International Council of Scientific Workers in London.
- (b) In January a Soviet delegation of four attended a meeting of the International Electrical Commission.
- (c) In March a Soviet delegation attended a Symposium at the Institute of Mining and Metallurgy; it included Mr. A.P. Vinogradov and three others.
- (d) In March a Soviet delegation attended a meeting of the International Whaling Commission.
- (e) In March N.D. Kolli attended the meeting of the International Union of Architects.
- (f) In March a Soviet delegation of five attended the Ideal Home Exhibition in London.
- (g) In March, a delegation of Soviet Electrical experts, led by Mr. Malenkov and invited by the Central Electrical Authority and the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council visited the United Kingdom to inspect power stations and installations:  
  
Mr. G. Malenkov  
Mr. V.S. Ermakov  
Mr. D.G. Zhimerin (and eleven others)
- (h) In April a Soviet delegation of six attended the fourth 'Exhibition of Factory Equipment'.
- (i) In April a Soviet delegation of nine attended a 'Conference of the International Consultative Committee on Radio' (under the auspices of the Institute of Electrical Engineers).
- (j) In April a Soviet delegation of three invited by the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council and the Royal College of Surgeons, visited the United Kingdom.
- (k) In April, Mr. V.B. Belousov was invited to visit this country by the Royal Society to take part in technical discussions concerning the 'International Geophysical Year'.
- (l) In April a delegation of three from the Soviet Academy of Sciences attended discussions on digital computing.
- (m) In April, a group of three Soviet experts visited the Thompson-Houston Company for technical discussions about semi-conductors.
- (n) In April, four Soviet experts visited the Smiths' English Clocks and Ingersoll factories.

- (o) In April, four employees of the Soviet Ministry of Communications attended study commissions of the International Consultative Committee on Telegraphy.
- (p) In April, a Soviet delegation of four attended a meeting of the Committee of the International Electro-Technical Commission.
- (q) In April, a Soviet delegation of three attended a conference on the study of Cosmic Rays at Oxford.
- (r) In April, four Soviet delegates attended the Seminar of the Central Council for Health Education in London and the Congress of the Royal Society for Health in Blackpool.
- (s) In April, four employees of the Soviet Ministry of Communications attended study commissions of the International Consultative Committee on Telegraphy.
- (t) In April, a delegation of four horological engineers visited a watchmaking factory in Wales.
- (u) Eight Soviet representatives visited the British Industries Fair in May:  
  
Mr. K.K. Vinogradov (Deputy Minister of Heavy Machine Building)  
Mr. M.P. Nadtochy (Deputy Minister of Construction)  
(and six others)
- (v) In May a delegation of three attended the Fortieth Exhibition of Scientific Instruments and Apparatus in London.
- (w) In May, a delegation of five Soviet architects visited Britain at the invitation of the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council.
- (x) In May Mr. V.A. Goltsov of the Ministry of Radio Technical Industry, was invited to visit Britain by the B.M.I. Research Laboratory to study colour television equipment.
- (y) In May, two Soviet Engineers visited the Exhibition of Hospital and Hygienic Equipment in Glasgow.
- (z) Employees of the Soviet Ministry of State Farms are expected to attend an International Congress on Livestock breeding in Cambridge in June.

4. Sporting Events

Nil.

5. Tourist Travel

A group of Soviet Transport workers visited London under arrangements made for them by the Workers' Travel Association and the London Transport Board.

6. Visits by representatives of Local Authorities etc.

- (a) A Soviet Merchant Navy training ship, "The Equator" visited London and Southampton, under arrangements made by the Soviet Relations Committee of the British Council.
- (b) A delegation of civic representatives from Svedlovsk visited Birmingham as the guests of the City Council in April.
- (c) A delegation of civic representatives from Gorki are expected to visit Greenwich in June.

7. Trade Union Visits

- (a) On April 13, two Soviet delegates attended a trade union conference in Bristol.
- (b) In April a delegation of twenty-two invited by the Association of Supervising Electrical Engineers arrived on a three week visit.

C. UNITED KINGDOM TO EAST GERMANY

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

- (a) Harry Pollitt, chairman of the British Communist Party, visited East Berlin to attend Herr Wilhelm Pieck's birthday celebrations in January.
- (b) In February Mr. John Moss, the general secretary of the Young Communist League of Great Britain attended a meeting of the World Federation of Democratic Youth in East Berlin.
- (c) Three Members of Parliament attended the Leipzig Fair in March:

Mr. G.E. Drayson (Conservative MP for Slipton)  
 Mr. G. de Freitas (Labour MP for Lincoln)  
 Viscount Hinchinbrooke (Conservative MP for Dorset,  
 South)

- (d) Five Labour Members of Parliament invited by the International Committee for the Peaceful Solution of the German Problem, visited East Germany in April:

Mr. Maurice Orbach (Willesden East)  
 Mr. Frank Allaun (Salford East)  
 Mr. Sydney Irving (Dartford)  
 Mr. Arthur Lewis (West Ham)  
 Mr. Will Owen (Morpeth)

2. Cultural Visits

- (a) In February, Mr. Basil Davidson, a journalist on the staff of the London 'Daily Herald' visited Eastern Germany.
- (b) In March Dr. William Lockwood, a lecturer at Birmingham University made a lecture tour through Eastern Germany.

(c) Two representatives of the British Peace Committee attended the 'German Congress for Security and Peace' at Dresden in April.

3. Technical Visits

Nil.

4. Sporting Events

Nil.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

A delegation of trade unionists, led by Mr. William Simpson, an official of the Amalgamated Union of Foundry Workers, attended May Day Celebrations in Eastern Germany.

D. EAST GERMANY TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

Nil.

3. Technical Visits

Nil.

4. Sporting Events

(a) East German Table Tennis players participated in their private capacities in the English Table Tennis Open Championships in March.

(b) A team of athletes represented Eastern Germany at the White City Stadium in London during May.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

(a) A delegation led by Herr Alfred Wilke, chairman of the East German Teachers' Union, visited the United Kingdom in April.

- (b) A delegation of five members of the East German Actors' Union have been invited to visit the United Kingdom by the British Actors' Equity Association.

E. UNITED KINGDOM TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

1. Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

- (a) A youth delegation, sponsored by the British Youth Festival Committee, visited Czechoslovakia in January.
- (b) In February, a group representing the 'Lidice Shall Live' Committee visited Czechoslovakia in connection with the Memorial Rose Garden recently opened at Lidice. It was led by the committee's chairman, Dr. Barnet Stross, M.P. (Labour M.P. for Stoke-on-Trent).
- (c) A delegation of two members of the National Assembly of Women attended the International Women's Day celebrations in Prague on March 8.
- (d) In April, Dr. Arnold Kettle, a member of the executive committee of the British Communist Party, visited Czechoslovakia on a lecture tour. Dr. Kettle is a lecturer in English literature at Leeds University.

3. Technical Visits

In February, Mrs. Mary Adams, a senior official of the BBC Television Service, visited Czechoslovakia for technical discussions.

4. Sporting Events

In January an ice hockey team from Wembley visited Brno, Bratislava and Prague.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

Nil.

F. CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

- (a) A Czech observer attended a meeting of the Scottish Union of Students in February.
- (b) Mr. M. Plzen, an archaeologist on the staff of the National Museum in Prague is expected to appear in BBC Television in June.
- (c) Professor Pohsenky is expected to lecture at various English Universities in June.

3. Technical Visits

- (a) In April Dr. A. Svododa and Dr. J. Raichl visited the United Kingdom for technical discussions about mathematical machines.
- (b) In April, Mr. F. Mikesova visited the United Kingdom for medical discussions.
- (c) In April, Dr. Z. Stich visited the United Kingdom to discuss health problems.
- (d) A delegation attended Anglo-Czech trade talks in London.
- (e) A number of Czechs attended the British Industries Fair.
- (f) Czechs were represented at the Conference on Colour Television April 3-7, London.
- (g) Delegates visited the United Kingdom from time to time to attend meetings of International Organizations for Standardisation.
- (h) A Czech delegate attended the International Sugar Council.
- (i) Czech delegates came to the Conference on Schools Construction organized by International Union of Architects, March 17-27.
- (j) Delegates attended the Oil and Colour Chemist Association Technical Exhibition, March 20.
- (k) Czechoslovakia was represented at 87th Co-operative Congress, May 21-24, Blackpool.
- (l) Czechoslovakia was represented at the Mechanical Handling Exhibition May 9-19.

4. Sporting Events

Group of seven to participate in the Tourist Trophy Motor-cycle Race in June.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by representatives of Local Authorities etc.  
Nil.
7. Trade Union Visits  
Nil.
- G. UNITED KINGDOM TO HUNGARY
1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups  
Nil.
2. Cultural Visits  
(a) Peter Daubeny, the theatrical impresario, visited Budapest in February.  
(b) In May, a delegation representing the Society of Industrial Artists visited Hungary.
3. Technical Visits  
Nil.
4. Sporting Events  
In April, a British football team visited Hungary.
5. Tourist Travel  
(a) In April, a group of thirty British tourists visited Hungary.  
(b) In April, a party of twenty-seven members of Aldenham School visited Hungary.  
(c) Several tourist groups are expected to visit Hungary in May and June.
6. Visits by representatives of local authorities etc.  
Nil.
7. Trade Union Visits  
Nil.
- H. HUNGARY TO UNITED KINGDOM
1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups  
Nil.
2. Cultural Visits  
(a) In February, Miss Annie Fischer visited Britain to give concert performances.

- (b) In March, Mr. Donos Kovacs, the violinist visited the United Kingdom to give concert performances.
- (c) In April Miss Agnes Borbely, the violinist visited the United Kingdom to perform at a concert arranged by St. Cecilia Music Society.
- (d) In June, the Hungarian State Dance Ensemble (about one hundred and thirty) is due to visit the United Kingdom by arrangement with Mr. Peter Daubeny, the theatrical impresario.

3. Technical Visits

- (a) In February, a group led by Mr. Karoly Nagy, an official of the Ministry of Light Industry, visited the toy section of the British Industries Fair.
- (b) Hungarian representatives attended:  
  
Meetings of the International Electro Technical Commission  
Factory Equipment Exhibition in April  
Meeting of the Institute of Metals  
Meeting of the Society of General Microbiology  
Conference of the International Standards Organization on Textiles.
- (c) Dr. S. Ivanovics visited the National Institute for Medical Research to study Influenza and Polio Research.

4. Sporting Events

- (a) In February, a table tennis team under their manager, Mr. Bela Kelen visited the United Kingdom.
- (b) A Hungarian team of athletes competed at the White City Stadium in London in May.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by representatives of local authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

Nil.

I. UNITED KINGDOM TO RUMANIA

1. Visits by Political and Parliamentary Leaders

Mr. M.A. Lindsay, Conservative M.P. for Solihull, visited Rumania in January.

2. Cultural Visits

Nil.

3. Technical Visits

Nil.

4. Sporting Events

(a) A Rugby football team from the United Kingdom competed in Rumania in May. It was accompanied by Sir Wavell Wakefield, Conservative MP for St. Marylebone and Mr. E.L. Mallalieu, Labour MP for Brigg.

(b) In May Luton Association Football Team visited Bucharest to play against the Rumanian Team.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits of Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

A delegation of four Trade Unionists led by Mr. F.L. Haxell, the general secretary of the Electrical Trades Union, attended May Day Celebrations in Bucharest. They had been invited by the Central Trades Union Council of the Rumanian Peoples Republic.

J. RUMANIA TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits by Political and Parliamentary Leaders

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

Nil.

3. Technical Visits

(a) Physicians and Hygiene officials came to the Blackpool Health Congress.

(b) A press correspondent came to cover the Soviet leaders visit.

(c) Chemical Engineers came to the British Industries Fair.

(d) Rumanian Trade and Financial delegation visited London for official talks.

4. Sporting Events

In March officials of Rumanian Rugby Federation came to arrange fixture for Rumanian Rugby Team.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits of Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

Nil.

K. UNITED KINGDOM TO POLAND

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

(a) In March, Mr. Harry Pollitt, chairman of the British Communist Party, attended President Bierut's funeral in Warsaw.

(b) In April, Mr. Richard Crossman, Labour M.P. for Coventry, accompanied by his wife, visited Poland at the invitation of the Polish Institute for Internal Affairs.

2. Cultural Visits

(a) In January, Mr. Dennis Mathews, the concert pianist toured Poland.

(b) In March, Mr. Auberon Herbert visited Poland to discuss religious affairs.

3. Technical Visits

(a) In April, Mr. Wilcox, an engineering expert, visited Szczecin for technical discussions.

(b) In June, unofficial representatives of British industry are to participate in the Poznan Trade Fair.

4. Sporting Events

(a) In April, a British Cycling Team organized by the National Cyclists Union Racing Committee participated in the Warsaw-Berlin-Prague Peace Race.

(b) In May, a British Boxing team competed in Poland, under arrangements made by the English Amateur Boxing Association.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

A delegation of six trade unionists representing various unions visited Poland in May, under arrangements made by the British Polish Friendship Society.

L. POLAND TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits by Political and Parliamentary Leaders

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

(a) In January, Miss Margaret Schlauch, head of the Department of Philology at Warsaw visited the United Kingdom.

(b) In April, a delegation attended the annual congress of the British Women's Co-operative Guild.

3. Technical Visits

(a) In January, Dr. W. Wiech and Dr. J. Nowicki, Polish medical experts visited this country for discussions at the invitation of Professor C.R. Thomas, a London specialist in Chest Surgery.

(b) A technical delegation comprising Professor Kazimierz and Professor Kuratowski visited the United Kingdom in February.

(c) A group of Polish metallurgists visited Britain for a conference in March.

(d) A technical delegation attended the International Health Congress in April.

(e) Polish delegates also attended:

National Power Farming Conference  
Engineering Shipbuilding Conference  
Radio Communications Conference  
International Union of Architects Meeting  
Health Society Congress  
European Conference of Paper Manufacturers  
Textiles Standards Meeting  
Synthetic Dyestuffs Centenary Meeting  
International Sugar Council Meetings  
British Industries Fair.

4. Sporting Events

A team of Speedway Racing Cyclists visited the United Kingdom in May.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

(a) A delegation representing the Teachers Trade Union visited the United Kingdom in March.

(b) In April, a metal workers' delegation visited the United Kingdom.

M. UNITED KINGDOM TO BULGARIA

No visits have been recorded of any kind.

N. BULGARIA TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

Nil.

3. Technical Visits

Two Bulgarian doctors attended the Congress of the Health Society in Blackpool.

4. Sporting Events

A Bulgarian Football team visited the United Kingdom in May with a party of 36 spectators.

5. Tourists Travel

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

Nil.

O. UNITED KINGDOM TO CHINA

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

(a) A delegation of six scientists attended a session of the executive council of the World Federation of Scientific Workers in Peking in April.

(b) A delegation of four lawyers, arranged by the Haldane Society, visited China in April.

(c) A delegation of six women attended a session in February of the executive council of the Women's International Democratic Federation in April.

3. Technical Visits

Nil.

4. Sporting Events

Nil.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

A delegation of trade unionists, arranged by the Britain-China Friendship Association, visited China in April.

P. CHINA TO UNITED KINGDOM

1. Visits by Political Leaders and Parliamentary Groups

Nil.

2. Cultural Visits

(a) Three Chinese delegates (students) visited London in February at the invitation of the Students' Council of the London School of Economics.

(b) Bishop Ting of Chinese Episcopal Church is to attend Lambeth Convocation (accompanied by his wife).

3. Technical Visits

(a) Three Chinese delegates are due to attend a Nursing Conference in June.

(b) Three Chinese delegates attended the Blackpool Health Conference in April.

4. Sporting Events

Nil.

5. Tourist Travel

Nil.

6. Visits by Representatives of Local Authorities etc.

Nil.

7. Trade Union Visits

- (a) Two Chinese delegates attended a Conference of the British Federation of Women's Co-operatives in London April-May.
- (b) Five members of a Chinese Coal Miners' delegation are to attend Miners' Day in South Wales on June 9, 1956.