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"The BKI (Blokus Kombetar Independent - National Independence Bloc) includes groups and individuals who have as their chief aim the uniting of all nationalist Albanians inspired with democratic principles.

"The platform of the BKI is as follows:

- "1. The liberation of the country from the Bolshevik yoke through every means and expedient suitable for that purpose within the limits of legal action. In carrying out its activities the BKI is ready to accept the collaboration of any person or group sincerely inspired by the same patriotic feeling.
- "2. The preservation and defense of the ethnic rights of Albania as well as of its independence and sovereignty.
- "3. The cultivation of secular traditions which typify the Albanian nation, considering as included among these traditions respect for the individual, the institution of the family, and freedom of enterprise in every aspect of the national life which is in the service of the country.
- "4. The BKI respects private property without, however, excluding the possibility of reforms in accordance with the requirements of the period. However, such reforms may occur only on the basis of the capabilities of the general economy and after fair compensation. Reforms which have taken place in this field are considered illegal and therefore null.
- "5. The BKI defers the institutional question of Albania to a solution by the people, but only when its liberties have been restored and it has been enabled to express its free will through an election. For the present the BKI has only the duty of liberating it so as to make it the peaceful arbiter of its own destiny.
- "6. The groups or individuals united to form the BKI consider themselves bound by their traditional given word to act in unity and, until one year after the liberation of Albania, they will not engage in any political activity whatsoever outside the BKI.

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BKI INTERNAL REGULATIONS FOR ITS EXECUTIVE BODIES

- "7. The highest organ of the BKI is the General Assembly, which meets in ordinary plenary session once a year at the seat of the Executive Committee. The General Assembly is composed of the majority of the members, whether they are present in fact or merely represented. The Executive Committee sends announcements of the ordinary meeting of the General Assembly two months before the date of the session.
- "8. The General Assembly meets in extraordinary sessions only on the request of the Executive Committee for important decisions of extreme urgency or on the request of at least one-third of the total number of members when they have drawn up in a motion the reasons for their request; in this case the Executive Committee must, within two months of the date on which the motion is presented, set the date for the extraordinary session, making simultaneous provision for the announcements.
- "9. The General Assembly decides on the basis of an absolute majority of the votes, computing the votes of those present, and of those represented, at the beginning of the session.
- "10. If, for good reasons, a member cannot participate in the General Assembly, he may delegate one of the members present in writing, authorizing him in writing to vote in his place.
- "11. The General Assembly is presided over by the oldest member or by his designee.
- "12. The Executive Committee is composed of nine members elected by the General Assembly with a simple majority of votes as per Article 9. The President, Vice-President and seven members, who distribute among themselves, in the first meeting of the committee, the functions that they are to perform: the General Secretariat, Press and Propaganda, Welfare, Auditing Accounts, etc.
- "13. The Executive Committee is the central body which is responsible for the functioning of the organization and the execution of the directives issued in general by the General Assembly in plenary session.
- "14. The President is the representative of the BKI. He signs the minutes and calls the Executive Committee whenever he deems it necessary. If any member of the Executive Committee, for a good cause, does not participate regularly in the meetings, decisions reached by three members and the President are valid.
- "15. The Vice-President assists the President in his functions and serves in his place during his absence.
- "16. The General Secretary assists the presidency and the entire Executive Committee and provides for administration and correspondence. Before every session of the Executive Committee he has those members of the Executive Committee who were present at the preceding session sign every decision taken.
- "17. The treasury is responsible for the funds and sees to the collection of dues, administers funds and takes care of every matter regarding the financial aspects of the organization. Any charge whatsoever against the treasury must be authorized by the President or Vice-President.
- "18. The Executive Committee reaches decisions on the basis of the majority of votes. In the event that the number of voters is even, the vote of the President of the meeting counts for two.

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- "19. The Executive Committee may invite to its meetings members of the BKI who do not belong to the Executive Committee if it deems it advisable and may ask their suggestions or assistance in any way without their having a right to vote.

MEMBERSHIP

- "20. Any Albanian national who enjoys civil rights, provided he is an anti-Communist or opposes systems of violence and terror, may belong to the BKI. Applications for membership must be countersigned by two members of the BKI. The Executive Committee decides on admissions.
- "21. Each member pays dues of 100 Italian lire a month. The Executive Committee may release necessitous members from this obligation.
- "22. Special contributions made to the BKI must be indicated in a book of honor.

DISCIPLINARY PROVISIONS

- "23. The members of the BKI are punishable by the following provisions.
- a. Reproof by the Executive Committee.
 - b. Reproof by the General Assembly.
 - c. Expulsion.
- "24. In urgent cases the Executive Committee may expel a member, justifying its action at the first session of the General Assembly.
- "25. The members who belonged to the BKI before 30 April 1947 are considered charter members."

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