

Dear readers,

you hold in hand SECURITAS IMPERII N. 13. As you can see the collection has got a new typographical design, it has changed its size and it is divided into individual sections. In addition to studies, articles and series of documents you can find there newly as well information about individual victims and guilty persons of communist reprisals, about closed and discontinued cases but as well about further activities of the ÚDV.

Regarding the contents we draw your attention for example to the study concerning the American spy G.R.Rohrer who defected to Czechoslovakia in 1965 and offered his services to the state security. Further you can read about the extensive searching operation under the name EVROPA. The communist secret police concentrated there its activities to discover so called „illegal immigrants“ which were foreign spies living in Czechoslovakia under false identities and also hiding places from the period of the World War II. We inform you nearer also about the operation NÁVRAT the objective of which it was to draw back to Czechoslovakia people who run away just after February 1948.

In the collection you find as well an article writing about events which passed shortly after the August occupation of Czechoslovakia in the town of Jičín. In September 1968 a drunk Polish soldier butchered there two people. Further there is an article describing the operation ASANACE, the objective of which it was to force people embarrassing the communist regime to emigrate. In a new section called *Instruments of reprisals* you will read about the way how the Intelligence Service of the Ministry of the Interior was operating. The collection is also newly supplied with annotations drawing attention to books refering to the history of the 20th century.