

## FILES Censorship: In Search of Wealth Devil

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• "Gold and dollars more you closely / in banks in Switzerland and you went" • banks that have received indication from the Swiss Federal Office to block any accounts of the Ceausescu family • Romanians have officially requested an investigation • Marin Ceausescu was committed suicide by hanging • blocking

investigations of specialists paid by Petre Roman government • Money turned slowly in Romania •

## "Without poetry, life is ... empty!"

Subtitled with this brilliant reply, uttered by Stefan Mihailescu-Braila in the movie "The Secret of Bacchus", because it's even famous poems and poets, forget the history of literature. We begin with Elena Barbulescu, Ceausescu's sister, you know, the dictator, which housed the Jilava, not having anything better to do, wrote poems. Reproduce, artistic excitement included the following:

"I: If all you have done / Then why have you killed / shot on you / us all arrested us / We complain that I ate / drank and c C-I have stolen (...) The accused thee / CA 60 000 people shot / orgies that only the states / people are struggling. / gold and dollars more you closely / in banks in Switzerland and have taken (...) ". That his reign brother named Nicolae Ceausescu, had tortured talent, prove by a facsimile as exciting, but pretty patriotic. But this is not the subject of this case censored, but "Evil's Fortune", translated as "Devil's wealth." He had no family or money Ceausescu in Switzerland? Normally, all the dictators of the world have taken and take their precautions, pumps safe wealth in the accounts or elsewhere in the country cantons. Ceausescu have been an exception? Was he really the loser? Poor and fair?

## Conturili?

The first official reference to secret funds Ceausescus is right in condemning the sentence two: "5. Trying to flee the country on the basis of funds over \$ 1 billion deposited in foreign banks. " Then, as here, the cascading revelations have emerged: - Sparkle People, December 24, 1989: "The fabulous sums deposited with Swiss banks, dictatorial family. Geneva: Family Romanian

dictator, overturned Friday in power, would have four hundred million dollars in gold in banks in Zurich, while Romania is officially in Swiss banks only 70 million dollars, "said the newspaper Tribune de Geneve, quoted by France Press and EFE. According to the newspaper, Romanian in exile in Switzerland took a step under the socialist deputy Moritz Leuenberger, asking him to address National Bank and the Swiss Federal Council (government) demand that these funds should be blocked.

Truth, Friday, December 27, 1989: "Agerpres, Vienna newspaper Kurier as Sources of Romanian Embassy in Vienna ensured that Marin Ceausescu is not in his office." Vienna, 29 dec.1989. Agerpres: "After the Austrian Interior Minister Franz Loeschnak, in an interview with Austrian broadcaster, there are indications of the possibility that Marin Ceausescu was a spy."

January 15, 1990 "Rompres contacted by" Crescent Commercial and Maritime "(note I said some names of these companies? But Dan Voiculescu name?), Reports that the Austrian police investigation concluded the company's headquarters in Austria. Company, told the newspaper Kurier, 10 January 1990, Romania could belong. In reality, is an international trade offices in the U.S., UK, Switzerland, Greece, Egypt etc.. "

Romania Libera, 25 December 1989: "Austrian agency APA announced that the Swiss authorities have given provision is locked Swiss bank accounts of the dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was overthrown informed Jorg Kistler, spokesman for the Ministry of Justice and Police in Bern . Banks that have received since Friday night indication of problems the Swiss Federal Police Office to block any accounts of the Ceausescu family, said ministry spokesman, noting that it comes from canton Zurich banks. Moritz Leuenberger lawyer, socialist Democrat MP, said that according to information available in recent years have made a series of gold shipments from Romania in Switzerland. It is possible, he said, the Ceausescu family members living abroad to try to take possession of this money. It is recalled that in 1973, in Vienna work brother dictator, Marin Ceausescu, the Romanian representative as head of ".

"They committed suicide by hanging ..."

Tehran, 26 Agerpres, "Iran has officially denied that toppled dictator Ceausescu would have gold and currencies in banks Iranian Taniug Agency reports, citing IRNA agency."

December 29, 1989, suicide by hanging is announced of Marin Ceausescu. The first excavations made by Romania free to public on December 27, 1989 "fabulous accounts" CEC in lei:

Zoe Ceausescu - 1.45 million lei, Valentin Ceausescu - 1,223,872 lei, Nicu Ceausescu - 1,223,873 lei. TOTAL - 3,897,745 lei

Also in Romania Libera, a commentator expresses optimism that the amount of over one billion dollars, made in Switzerland, will be recovered, a precedent exists in this respect, that of the dictator Marcos Tagalog. Truth, January 6, 1990 (Vienna, Rompres): "After a correspondence Austrian Water Agency, Marin Ceausescu was seen, a few hours before the suicide, the

company's headquarters in the town Eisenstadt" Crescent, Commercial, Marine Bes MBM ". Note that company, which paid immediate purchase and send in Romania luxury goods for the clan ".

After five years as hot, cold is subject to Marin Ceausescu addressed the Academy Caţavencu "Marin Ceausescu, head of the Romanian Commercial Agency in Vienna hub of all business assets of the dictator. They committed suicide by hanging the carcass was ciopîrţit 28.12.1989 and Dr. Bauer in Vienna and then, the IML, the medical examiner Popa Valer. The road would remain a few billion dollars, without precise address. Today, money is slowly returning home, usually by migrants without identity, that their small savings and risk investing in Romania. Romanian money you are Belgian residents of France, Austrian or Swiss Romanian residents in Germany or Canada, or obscure banks in Luxembourg, Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Lebanon, Netherlands Antilles or Brunei. Other day, I amuşinat suspect after a bank of Land Bourgenland common Eisenstadt-Austria, which invested heavily in a printing house in Bucharest (...)"

"Curiously, zeal to find money to withered Ceausescus (...)"

Developed and released in 1991, the documentary film "Evil's Fortune / Contract Sub-Rosa/Secret Romanian-Canadian" provides scenarios and comments of all interest. Here are some excerpts: Dumitru Mazilu, highlighting the priorities of the new government promises: "Romanians have asked us to tell the truth about the old communist party property - primarily about money, and then Ceausescu."

Mc Intyre Linden, producer of the documentary: "From the outset it was clear that the investigation which aimed to find money hidden by Ceausescu would not be easy. The dictator and his advisers have installed a complex mechanism to handle money in their own hands Romanian storehouse. How did they take? General estimate is between 400 million and \$ 5 billion. How to find this money? A hard task! So, a Romanian delegation came here. In Toronto. Bay Street. And consulted with two of the best detectives in the world of finance: Robert Linquist, an accounting investigation and Rod Stamber, banking crimes specialist and former assistant police commissioner Canadian (RCMP) ".

Jorg Kistler, Swiss lawyer: "We found some documents relating to accounts in Basel, following them to seek a formal investigation, but never initiated such a request." Mc Intyre Linden: They appeared at least some reason, the official excuse? Jorg Kistler: Nothing, just have not sent the information necessary to initiate the investigation.

Mc Intyre Linden: Initially, the government (nn Petre Roman) created a committee invested with all the bureaucracy and extraordinary executive powers to find money Ceausescu. Then that turned into a committee official government commission, with offices in a villa belonging to the army. Curiously, his zeal to find money Ceausescus was scorched, the original investigators address other issues, and those who engaged with so much enthusiasm sfiindu longer address the issue. "

## "You'll be growing my country!"

Who remember the movie "Devil's wealth," Mc Intyre Linden product for the "5 th Estate 'CBC television? By then, the excellent weekly "Express Shop" gave whole pages, but we had noticed a "Note to editors: On October 30, 1991 Canadian judiciary is to decide on banning television broadcast on the central station in Canada Devil's film Legally (...)". In this context, two stanzas reproduce strofocările's poetic telling of Ceausescu: "The enemy wants us-or subjugate / With all the fights we pick / Army, the people will win / will be increasing my country! / Friends want to be with other nations / do not want wars on earth, / But to live under the tricolor banner / In peace, work and enthusiasm. " I said!