

an Herrn Dr. Peball
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15.October.1987

Dear Dr. Peball,

I am a Turkish contemporary historian, currently teaching at the Freie Universitaet Berlin, Fachbereich politische Wissenschaft as the Carl von Ossietzky visiting professor of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft.

Several years ago, I had published a history of the Turkish Left for the period of 1908-1925 (Ankara: Bilgi Verlag, 3rd ed. 1978), which I intend to continue now with a volume covering the years 1925-1945. I am searching documents for this purpose in the German archives.

There is an important conference among the activities of the illegal Turkish Communist Party held in Vienna in (May ?) 1926, reputedly attended also by a Comintern representative. Therefore, a good source of information would be the Comintern archives. However, as I would be denied access to them, my second best chance can be Austrian Police reports, if such a meeting was detected by them.

Your predecessor in office, Dr. Neck whom I met at Linz recently, recommended me to write to you for help. Can you kindly advise me on what to do for this specific problem? If it is possible to find any material pertaining this conference, I would like to have their photocopies. Naturally, I am willing to pay their cost.

Thanking you in advance for the trouble you may take in order to answer my request, I am, Sir

Truly yours,

Prof.Dr. Mete Tunçay

I apologize for writing to you in English, as my command of your language is not sufficient. But you may reply to me in German, which I cannot write but can read and understand.

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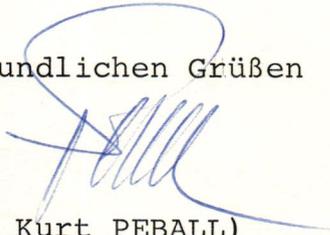
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Sehr geehrter Herr Professor!

Es tut mir außerordentlich leid, Ihnen auf
Ihr freundliches Schreiben vom 15. Oktober
1987 mitteilen zu müssen, daß in den ein-
schlägigen Archivabteilungen des österrei-
chischen Staatsarchivs keine Polizeiberichte oder
andere Unterlagen über die Konferenz der ille-
galen Türkischen Kommunistischen Partei 1926
in Wien festgestellt werden konnten. Möglicher-
weise könnte Ihnen hier Herr Professor STEINER
vom Dokumentationsarchiv des österreichischen
Widerstandes (1010 Wien, Wipplingerstraße 8)
weiterhelfen.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen


(Dr. Kurt PEBALL)

Herrn
Professor Dr. Mete TUNÇAY

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