London, November 28, 1942 (O.N.) — A Five-Point Program for the
Punishment of War Criminals, providing for creation of special laws and
people's courts, has been decided upon by the Czechoslovak Government-
in-Exile.

The program was outlined today in a broadcast by Dr. Jaroslav Strunsky,
Czechoslovak Minister of Justice. It comprises the following:

1 — War criminals and "fellow criminals" will be tried according to
special laws by special people's courts since Czechoslovak Criminal Law
did not foresee the crimes committed by the German invaders;

2 — The special laws will be retrospective;

3 — Persons who committed offenses against the Republic and against
the constitutionally-protected liberties and rights of citizens and in-
habitants during the period of increasing threat to or occupation of the
Republic will be considered criminals or "fellow criminals;"

4 — The special people's courts will be presided over by professional
judges together with judges chosen from among the people whose loyalty
to the Republic was demonstrated on both the home front and the battle
front;

5 — This law will be enacted to affect those who in their conduct were
only the victims and not the authors or willing assistants of criminal
actions by the enemy.