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Tudeh Demonstration - 21 July

Crowd estimated 30 - 35 thousand (larger by 1/2 to 1/3 than Mossadeq's earlier demonstration)

Well organized and "extremely enthusiastic" no violence reported; easily dealt with minor Pan Iran effort to break it up.

Slogans:

- End court and army intervention in national affairs
- Close down Point 4 and its spy nets
- Expel military advisers - spies in reality
- Dissolve the Seventeenth Majlis
- We Demand nationwide free elections
- Resume oil sales to USSR - break foreign blockade

No pro-Mossadeq or anti-Shah slogans

M A Tehran describes it as strongest anti-American demonstration to date, US now heading list of hated imperialists. Estimates crowd at over 50,000

N Y Times estimates crowd at 100,000
(Tudeh membership estimated at 10-12,000;
Tudeh candidates in Spring 1953 polled 42,000 votes)

Mossadeq may hold referendum 5 August
(Iranian Constitution Day)

- Should Majlis be continued?
- Should Committee of 8 report - limiting Shah
- Should added powers given Shah in 1950 be retained in Constitution

Possible new elections ~~by~~ October

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