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Mrs. Petrov Departure Story. Cinesound.

Russian envoys V. Marpinsky and F. Jarkov register for departure at the BOAC desk at the main assembly office for overseas departures at Kingsford-Smith Airport.

The Russians push their way through the crowd towards the car in which Mrs. Petrov awaits.

Various crowd shots showing the excited crowds many of them new Australians, recent migrants.

Group display banners.

Long Shot tarmac area Aircraft in background.

Attempt is made to put Mrs. Petrov aboard on the wrong side of the plane, by the Crew's entrance.

This proves abortive and the crowd storms to the foot of the gangway where a struggle takes place.

Police and Security Officers restrain the crowd from freeing Mrs. Petrov (she has not yet asked for asylum at the time).

C.S. Mrs. Petrov and the Russian guards making for the camera.

C.S. Shoe belonging to Mrs. Petrov which she lost in the struggle, but guards would not let her retrieve it.

Various angles of departure.

Fire-hose run out to quell riots but not used.

Note.

Main camera unfortunately had faulty stock on the reel and this will be noticeable to some extent but not seriously so.

Coverage also includes several newspaper stills which are dramatic because they were obtained by Flashlight when we had no lighting available.

**Petrov Story.**

**Near Riot as Mrs. Petrov is forced aboard plane in Sydney.**

At Kingsford-Smith Airport in Sydney a crowd of some thousands gather for the departure of Mrs. Petrov, who is to board a BOAC Aircraft on her way back to Russia, accompanied by the two Russian Couriers Mr. V. Karpinsky and Mr. F. Jarkov who arrived in Sydney only last Thursday. The crowd is in an emotional state because it believes Mrs. Petrov is being taken away against her will and storm onto the tarmac and individuals endeavour to wrest the woman from the hands of the Russian guards, who hold her tightly by the arms.

Police and Security men restrain the crowd and prevent the rescue attempt, because up till this time Mrs. Petrov had not sought asylum in Australia (7 hours later in Darwin, Northern Australia, Mrs. Petrov sought Asylum when the plane landed and it was granted. She will be returned to the South.)

Many European migrants are in the crowd and some carry banners inscribed, "Czechoslovakia must have free elections". Men and women shake their fists at the departing Russians and there is wild boeing as the party fights its way to the gangway of the Aircraft.

The crowd pulls the gangway from the plane with the three Russians still on it. Police and security men get the gangway back in place by the aircraft and Mrs. Petrov, who seems to be protesting bitterly, is taken aboard.

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## HAUPTMANN KHOKHOV IN MEHLEM - SITZ DER AMERIKANISCHEN HOCHKOMMISSION

Anstatt den NTS Führer Georgiy OKOLOVICH in Frankfurt zu ermorden, begab sich der russische Hauptmann KHOKHOLOV in die Hand der amerikanischen Behörden.

Pressekonferenz: NTS Führer G. Okolovich und die Frau des entführten Trusnovich.

Techniker des US Laboratoriums zeigt die Mordwaffe: schallgedämpfte, elektrisch abzufeuernde Pistole mit vergifteten tödlich wirkenden Bleikugeln.

Rolle I : Frau mit Baskenmütze: Gattin des entführten Russen aus Berlin, Trusnovich