

000001

C10S ACCESSION

LIST NO 8 OF

MISCELLANEOUS REC

FROM C10S AGENCE

TO C10S AGENCE

RECORDED IN MARCH

AT THE END

RECORDED

**000002**

September 7, 1945

TO: Mr. B. L. MacKusick  
FROM: Mr. M. R. Mandelbaum *W.M.*

CIOS Accession List No. 8 of miscellaneous reports from sources other than CIOS agencies lists Serial No. M.284 "a review of the Rumanian oil situation during the war". -The covering letter states that the report is available for perusal in Room 301, 32 Bryanston Square, telephone Regent 8494, extension 938.

The report should be read to see whether it is itself of interest or points to any targets of which we have no knowledge.

att.ltr/DM

**A REVIEW OF THE ROUMANIAN OIL SITUATION  
DURING THE WAR**

M. J. M.

The outbreak of war in Europe on September 1st 1939 resulted in a stronger demand for oil being felt immediately.

Pressure exercised on Romania by the belligerent parties compelled the government to appoint in January 1940 Prof. Gheron Notta as commissary <sup>general</sup> of a petroleum committee which received instructions to drastically increase the exploration and exploitation drilling programmes in order to check the rapid decline of production which had set in since 1937. Secretary of this committee was Vasile Dimitriu until 10th July 1940 and thereafter Ing. Al. Plomiceanu.

The attempts of the oil companies to comply with the larger requirements were to a great extent frustrated by the steadily increasing difficulties experienced with the export of products. The stagnation of the export by sea, which after June 1940 came to a complete standstill and the lack of sufficient shipping facilities on the Danube as well as by rail, caused a serious congestion of stocks in the fields, which from September 1940 to January 1941 made it imperative to close in part of the production.

Moreover the mobilization of the army with the consequent removal of workmen from the oilfields and employees from the offices and finally the disturbing political conditions in the whole country, hampered the execution of the established working programme considerably.

Towards the summer of 1940 the political tension in the country reached its culmination and in rapid succession certain events took place which will be briefly related here as they are of importance for a better conception of the oil situation.

On June 21st King Carol tried to surmount the political troubles by forming a national party under his personal leadership. On the 27th June, however, Russia occupied Bessarabia and the northern Bukowina, which fact turned the scales definitely towards a closer relation with the Axis powers.

In July the prime minister Ion Gigurtu announced that the government had adopted a foreign policy of close collaboration with Germany and Italy. Hungary and Bulgaria availed themselves of this new situation immediately by claiming the territory occupied by Romania after the world war. The arbitration in Vienna resulted in the loss of the greater part of Transylvania to Hungary whilst Bulgaria obtained Dobruja. On September 6th King Carol abdicated in favour of his son Michael. General Ion Antonescu took the reins in hand as "Conducator" of the Romanian state. The constitution of 1938 was abolished, the parliament sent home and thus a new regime made its entry in Romania.

Immediately general for the oil industry was dismissed and the management of the oil field being taken over by the Ministry of National Economy under its chief Vasilie Paduraru.

In the meantime a condition of anarchy, regarding regular development, prevailed in the country. An attempt of armed resistance by the Front Guard and similar forces suppressed. During the upheaval a German Major was murdered at Bucharest. From now on a strong military intervention followed leading to the expropriation of any important industries and the putting under control of all roads with fortifications.

Expropriation of the Astera refinery, Tighina, the Ploiești refinery and appointments on October 2nd 1940; as far as we know however, never actually implemented.

It should be mentioned here too, that on November 1st 1940 a strong explosion occurred which caused a further temporary disorganization, although no damage was done to the oilfield installations proper.

In the meantime most of the main difficulties with regard to oil production were overcome so that the restriction of the production could be lifted in February 1941.

On December 4th 1940 a decree had been issued confiscating all privately owned pipe lines, which measure, however, was cancelled in view of its impracticability.

In order to establish the means for regular shipping via the Danube two 10m pipe lines were laid from Ploiești to Giurgiu, one for gasoline and the other for kerosene. These new lines, each of a capacity of 3000 tons daily, were put into service on July 4th 1941. At Ploiești twelve refineries were connected with them by a ring-line. Until the state pump station was ready the Astra refinery pump station handled the shipping through these lines.

During 1940 tank ships have been brought from the Rhine to the Danube with a total tonnage of 92000 tons and in addition many ships were put on the stocks at the shipyards in Vienna.

As due to the adverse factors described above the increase of production hoped for could not materialise in 1940, Dimitriu in March 1941 set out a new programme mining at an increase of production of 300,000 tons over the 1940 figure. For that purpose 165 exploitation wells with a total netage of 248,000 would be drilled during the year and in addition 54 exploration wells. The amalgamation of small Romanian companies would be practised by the government and favourable exploration rights extended to them.

During June and July, particularly after the war with Russia had broken out on June 22nd, the production in the fields had to be curtailed again; this time on account of insufficient air raid protection.

Still other factors, have, however, to be added so as to fully comprehend the difficulties with which the oil companies were faced in carrying out the work expected from them. These are:

1. The shortage of drilling and production material, already evident before the war, but still further accentuated due to the impossibility to import material from overseas.

2. The departure of the complete foreign staffs - for the most part technical of some of the major oil companies. In September 1940 34 foreign employees of the Astra Romana had left the country.

3. The shortage of food and clothing for the workmen. This condition soon reached a very precarious state of affairs.

Adding to all this the bureaucratic slowness with which even the most important questions were treated by the mining department it is not surprising that in spite of all serious efforts made by the oil companies to force the production up, it instead went still further down in 1941. A slight improvement could be achieved in 1942 but the 1943 production figure showed a further decline again.

Many were the discussions held before the war with respect to the mining law of 1937, which in connection with exploration concessions contained several points quite unacceptable for the oil companies. Although much pressure was exercised on the government to get this law modified, it was not until July 17th 1942 that a new mining law was promulgated.

The provisions of this new law are workable but extremely complicated, to the effect that it lasted until June 1943 before the first exploration concessions were granted.

In view of readily available exploration objectives - a condition which most of the oil companies had already laboured for many years - the companies were compelled to look for drilling locations in the possible extensions of existing fields. Many of the Romanian oilfields, however, had already been worked out very thoroughly during previous years, so that not much new oil could be extracted from this source.

In this respect Astra was in a better position than many of the competitors as certain reserve drilling area was available in the undeveloped Sosipiro territory situated between Pisouri and Gilipasti and at Margidion. Besides a promising seismic prospection objective could be taken in hand for rapid development in Barea.

It will thus be seen from the statistical figures that Astra's share of the total Romanian production, which had previously remained at around 22%, had risen up to 24.3% in 1941 and to 27% in 1942. In the total Romanian production and during the same period it is evident that the production of the competitor suffered relatively and quantitatively, a rather strong decline.

A further means for stimulating exploration work is the fiscal creation of a decree of April 1st 1943 of a tax free exploration fund, which each operating company is legally allowed to carry on. The bill was passed; to begin with the one for 1943 is maximum of 2% of the net profit made during the year.

An exploration fund of about 15% of the net profit made during the year, a maximum of 2% of the share capital. On the Astra balance for the year 1942 a sum of 174 mill. lei has, etc., been put aside as an exploration fund, which can cover therefore, future exploration expenses for 1943.

In case exploration wells and installations are charged over to depletion the fund is credited for the respective values with the purpose, that of course, only put aside cannot actually be spent for new exploration work.

If during three consecutive years the aggregated exploration expenses are not accounted to 1/3 of the share capital, the remaining exploration fund is considered a profit and in the third year used in turn accordingly.

EXPANSION OF GERMAN INTERESTS IN THE  
ROUMANIAN OIL INDUSTRY

The German influence in the Roumanian oil industry increased during the war in the following ways:

1. By taking over large interests owned by French and Belgian groups in the Concordia and Columbia, both major producing and refining companies.
- To this end the Kontinentale Oil A.G. was formed under the protection of the Reichswirtschaftsministerium. Many of the large banks and oil companies in Germany are represented in the same.
2. The reorganization and merger of the patrol-block and I.R.D.P. This construction was likewise only possible by the acquisition of French holdings.
3. The formation of an exploration syndicate in which the major German oil companies are participating.
4. The formation of new companies for transport and trade of oil, partly through the absorption of Roumanian companies.
5. the closing of working agreements between the Kontinentale and various operating companies.

Ad.1 In 1940 the Concordia shares owned by the petrofina (Consegio Financiero Belgo des Petroles) were acquired by the Kontinentale, which thereby obtained a controlling interest in the Concordia.

Taking effect from January 1st 1941 a merger took place with the Fordy Romaneasca. This latter company was formed in 1922 with a share capital of 150 mil. Lei, controlled by the Bankhaus Sponholz Ehestadt u. Schroeder, Berlin. The Fordy again controls the Moldonaphta formed in 1926 with a capital of 22 mil. Lei.

As regards this Fordy deal it will be remembered that at the end of 1939 their holdings were offered to Astra, which after studying the possibilities considered them to be unattractive.

The production quota of Fordy amounted to 52,700 tons in 1939 and 44,480 tons in 1940.

The share capital of Concordia was first adjusted from 1,015 mil. Lei to 1,421 mil. Lei and after the merger with Fordy to 1,470 mil. Lei, from which it is deducted that the Fordy stake has cost 55 mil. Lei.

A further increase to 2,030 mil. Lei took place later on, possibly in connection with the acquisition of the Roumanian holdings in the Steama Franceza, which were in the hands of the Union Francaise des Petroles.

In the Columbia the French interest held by the Union Francaise des Petroles in total probably 270,344 shares at 500 Lei, was also taken over by the Kontinentale. The share capital remained at 380 mil. Lei.

Ad.2 Petrol Blak.

This company dating from 1919, owned the refinery at Iancuti (capacity 2,000 tons per day) and was unable to pay a continuing sum. Einigefelder Maschinenfabrik Braun, Czechoslovakia.

A reorganization took place in 1926, the company being renamed I.R.D.P. and at the same time a new capital of 300 mil. Lei was raised, of which thus brought the capital to 470 mil. Lei.

The Sudostdeutsche Handelsgesellschaft, Berlin, is another of the shareholders at present, which up to the latter stage had the largest shareholdings of Braum-Koenigsfelder, those claimants partly paid off with 100 mil. Lei in 1938.

At the end of 1940 a further reorganization took place, the name being changed to Petrol Blak, so they have nothing to do with I.R.D.P.

But to disengagement the I.R.D.P. forced the end of 1940 for reasons of financial difficulties, from which they were helped out by Fordy block (in due time the latter will be taken over by the I.R.D.P.), organized in addition 400 mil. Lei shares from the French Fordy group (Societe Industrielle des Petroles 150 mil. Lei shares) and a further number of shares from an unnamed Roumanian group. These transactions paved the way for a complete reorganization for the I.R.D.P. Right to place at the end of 1940 and which meant reduction of their share capital from 470 to 120 mil. Lei.

The Petrol Blak became the most valuable company in the country, only surpassed by Astra however.

Ad.3 In 1941 a syndicate was formed called ex.Jora, with a capital of 60 mil Lei, in which the proussag, Elmarath wintershall and D.P.R.G. participated. The object is to obtain exploration rights in state exploration concessions.

00005

Under this item we further mention the Buna Speranta, formed in 1924, with a capital of 15 mil Lei and controlled by Haniel & Dueg.

Ad.4 In 1939 the Sardep (Societate Anonima Romana pentru desvoltarea exportului petrolului) was formed by the deutsche gasoline and Hugo Stinnes, with a share capital of 20 mil Lei, which was later on increased to 60 mil Lei.

The Sardep together with the Kontinentale took over the Sarpotrol (Societate Anonima Romana pentru comerul titeiului si industria de petrol) with a share capital of 35 mil Lei which was increased to 70 mil Lei.

The Sardep has furthermore formed together with S.R.D. (State shipping co on the Danube) the S.T.P.A.D. (Societate Anonima Romana de transporturi pe apa si depozitare) with a capital of 16 mil Lei, later on increased to 80 mil Lei. Sardep holds 50%.

In September 1943 the formation of still another company was announced; Doicesti with a capital of 100 mil Lei. Shareholders are: Sardep with 50 mil., S.R.D. with 25 mil. and a group of Romanians with 25 mil Lei.

Doicesti acquired the refinery of the Gesuale Doicino si petrol for the sum of 75 mil Lei. The share capital of the latter was 50 mil Lei.

Ad 5. The Kontinentale closed working agreements with:

- a. Astra Romana. This agreement will be discussed in a separate chapter.
- b. A.C.E.X. (Administratia Comerciala pentru prospectiuni si exploatari miniere) with the object of further exploring the Manesti field. The Konti were to put several drilling rigs at the disposal of the A.C.E.X. for a 70% share in the expenses and income of wells drilled therewith. This agreement is operated through the Concordia.
- c. Hapita Romana. An arrangement for the drilling of wells has been made. The Sarpotrol will buy all oil produced.

**THE EXPANSION OF ITALIAN INTERESTS  
IN THE ROMANIAN OIL INDUSTRY**

Before the war the Italians had a share in the producing and refining branches of the oil industry already through the Prahova, of which the entire share capital (350 mil Lei) is in the hands of the A.G.I.P. (Azienda Generale Italiana Petroli).

In 1942 the A.N.I.C. (Azienda Nazionale Idrogeotrazione Combustibili), owned by the Italian Montecatini Group, acquired the Petrolina, an insignificant producing company, formed in 1926 with a capital of 20 mil Lei, of which 15 mil. was in the hands of Romanians and 5 mil. of a Belgian group.

The Petrolina therupon bought 3,000 ha of oil land from the Forage Lomino, probably at the cost of 20 mil Lei, as the Petrolina increased their share capital to 40 mil Lei.

Taking effect from November 30th 1942, a merger followed with two other small producing companies, viz. Continentala petroliifera, formed in 1926 with a share capital of 6 mil Lei and the I.R.M. (Industria Romana Miniera), formed in 1930 with a capital of 20 mil Lei. The production of these two companies in the year 1940 amounted to 9,714 tons and 7,949 tons respectively.

The share capital of Petrolina was now increased to 150 mil Lei and at the same time new shares were issued for the exchange at 1 : 1 with Continentala and I.R.M. shares and thus reached a figure of 166 mil Lei.

In 1943 a further merger took place with the Xonic, the controlling interest of which was acquired from Redovanta. This company, dating from 1935 has a refinery at Floesti with a capacity of 700 tons daily intake. The share capital was 50 mill Lei.

The capital of Petrolina was therupon increased to 216 mill Lei and due to all these transactions this company has entered now the list of the more important operating oil companies of Romania.

CONTRACT ASTRA ROMANA/KONTINENTALE OEL A.G..

with the purpose to stimulate the exploration and development of concessions held by the Astra Romana outside their exploitation fields and taking into account the shortage of drilling material available an agreement was signed on May 28th 1941 between the above parties.

A concise review of the same is given below;

### par. 1 - The Agricahont Area

The agreement area is divided into three zones, delineated on two maps, which constitute part of the contract.

whose zones are:

1. The Moldavian zone
  2. The western zone
  3. the Central zone

(Remark: These zones exclude all exploitation land and proved oil bearing territory with the exception of Borca. The latter should not have been included as prior to signing the contract Astra had a producing well here and could easily have developed this field further with their own means.)

## Part.2 - The Participation Quota.

All expenditure and receipts will be divided on 50/50 basis.  
All concessions and installations remain the property of each party.

### Part 3 - Operating clause.

The Monti will put ten complete drilling installations at the disposal of each for the joint operations (free of charge.)

Frank, of these only six arrived, one of which was returned on account of its being unserviceable. The other five upon arrival had to be overhauled and needed completing with Astra material. The first locations drilled by the latter are: Campinita 3, Corma 1, Milipost 40 - a repair well outside the agreement area - Borca 4 and Flopochi 1. In fact, therefore, only 4 out of 10 promised installations were actually put to work by Astra in contractual purposes.)

the total amount mentioned in para 1, the following will be expended by Kanti and Gatra alternately. In future Kanti will take all expenditure for exploration and construction for their account until an equal amount is spent as invested by the other party. Thereafter expenditure will be on a 50/50 basis.

R.M. 1,49,594, to which interest has to be added. We have not heard that any work had been carried out by geologists. The only benefit obtained by Astra so far consists of the expenses for leaseholdings paid by Kentia amounting to R.P. 78,831,106 until November 1945 plus perhaps some costs in connection with participations in one or two state exploration areas).

This zone is said to have the following water:  
 1. Vârăoști The units 1 and 4 have been excluded from the  
 2. Puciotașa contract area as from July 1st 1943.  
 3. Gheboani  
 4. Iaculotă  
 5. Sodnagă (and the activity has taken place under  
 6. Dolești limitation)

It is planned to build, later on, another, a second, plant with a capacity of 100 tons per month, giving a total monthly production of 150 tons; 25% up to 10 tons; 10% up to 15 tons; 15% over 15 tons, 20%.

Until such time that konti has spent an amount equalling Astras previous investments in the area, Astra has the option to participate on a 50/50 basis. This option right remains effective also after such expenditure has been

equalised in case that Konti's exploration drilling work has not been extended over at least five different structures.

(Remark: Astra's expenditures in this western zone to the date of signing amount to R.M. 8,176,778 to which interest has to be added. Konti's activities will be described in a separate chapter.)

In case Astra exercises the option, the above mentioned royalty right is cancelled and replaced by a 50% share of net production. If in such case Konti has not yet spent an amount equalising Astra's old investments, the remainder is paid in kind to Astra out of Konti's share of the net oil..

c. Central zone. Astra is operator in this zone. Expenditures are paid on a 50/50 basis.

If oil is exploited in one of the units in which this zone is subdivided Astra receives a royalty on the gross production obtained depending on the daily yield per well, viz; of wells with a daily production up to 5 tons; 6%, up to 10 tons: 12%, up to 15 tons: 18%, over 15 tons 25%. This is in payment of the goodwill of bringing in the Astra concession rights and the paying out old investments made in each of the units of this zone. The remaining net production is divided 50/50.

(Remark: The activities which took place in this zone will be discussed in a separate chapter.)

d. General stipulations concerning costs.

The drilling cost will be considered all new equipment purchased (not pertaining to the ten rigs mentioned in par.3), all caring and other equipment acquired for the joint operation, also repairs and replacement parts of the same.

A tool rental will be charged for drilling equipment lent by Astra or Konti (not for the ten rigs mentioned in par.3). Priority will be given to the use of Astra rigs.

par 4. Working programme. From time to time parties will agree upon a working programme for each zone, taking the following points into consideration:

- The keeping alive of the concession rights in the agreement area by complying with existing obligations.
- The exploration of the area geologically, geophysically and by means of shallow and deep drilling.
- The production requirements.

c. All work carried out by parties will be carried out in accordance with their respective share of overheads. The latter will be paid each year at an overall percentage which will apply forthwith partition.

par 5. Refining. In case Astra requires more fuel than 1,500,000 tons yearly intake (as a basis) Konti will supply to fuel tank there of crude oil to Astra for refining.

par 6. Co-operation funds. Astra and Konti will co-operate in the following concessions.

They will not compete with other in the same area. They will not limit the three agreement zones as far as possible. Each party will not acquire concessions in the same area without prior application to the other party.

par 7. Duration of contract. The contract will last for 10 years. Each party has at all times the right to extend the contract for another 10 years in which case, however, the other party will have to pay the other party the concessions free of charge, paying back the original investment and installations on the same.

## ACTIVITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASTRA/KONTI CONTRACT

### Central zone

This zone is subdivided into 10 units, which are from east to west:

1. Astra coaca
2. cozadă
3. Campinita-Cornu
4. jeenita
5. Juleneanesti-Galaorti (excluding the exploitation area of the pacurorti field proper)
6. Pacurorti-Vale-Racova (This unit has been discarded from the contract area as from July 1st 1943)
7. surani-galvini
8. teparul-udresti (Units in which activity took place are underlined)
9. monteori Sarat
10. Buzdugiciu

### d 2. Ocnița

The first exploration well was spudded on December 30th 1943, in which also the porage lenoino participated. On March 23rd 1944, a depth was reached of 1,074 m,

### d 3. Campinita-Cornu

In Campinita Astra had drilled a well no. 1 for the exploration of oligocene prospects. Upon encountering oil shows at shallow depth it was suspended in September 1939 on account of the land situation which had still to be consolidated.

In view of the expectation to develop a small oil-field here drilling was taken up again in March 1941. However, by coring continuously to a depth of 896 m, only little sand was encountered, showing poor permeability. Subsequent tests carried out at various depths showed only water with slight oil and gas indications.

The area was still in a exploratory stage, when the contract with Konti was signed.

### wells drilled for joint account

Well no 2 spudded 8th August 1941. After much caving trouble a total depth of 1,384 m was reached without finding any prospects for oil. The well was abandoned on 1st January 1942.

Well no 3 spudded 10th August 1941 and drilled into vertical oil-bearing beds and was abandoned at a depth of 752 m in December 1941.

Well no 4 spudded 1st June 1942. Drilled to 964 m and was abandoned in November 1942 on account of continuous caving trouble and lack of prospects for oil in vertical oil-bearing beds.

Well no 5 spudded 22nd Sept. 1942. Drilled into vertical oligocene beds and was abandoned at a total notation of 3,887 m in December 1942. Total notation of 3,887 m was drilled in this unit for joint account of Astra and Konti until 1945.

### e. Ialoveni

Astra started a well in Ialoveni in the same year as the wells in the central zone and the drilling was stopped to a depth of 1,215 m at which date the well was abandoned. An attempt to deepen the well was made in 1944, but again it was stopped at the end of the year on account of technical difficulties.

At the date of signing the contract the area was therefore still in a exploratory stage.

### wells drilled for joint account

Well no 6 spudded 10th July 1941, reached a depth of 1,000 m and was abandoned on account of lack of information. Attempts to deviate the hole or abandon it were also made. The well was definitely abandoned on 21st December 1942.

Well no 7 located near the coast of the Black Sea and was started in Ialoveni in July 1942. Total depth 829 m. In the 10th day the oil and gas was encountered and tested between 474-480 m. It started flowing in terms of asphaltum with a density of 6.1 kg/liter, burnt with a C.G.P. of 60. In 39 days a total production of 1,100 m<sup>3</sup> was obtained. During pumping and bailing was obtained of 142 tons. The well appeared finally to be good for a pumping production of only 1-2 tons. All further tests were stopped.

Ploponi No. 2 spudded 27th October 1942. Drilled to 1,220 m. It stopped drilling 20th February 1943 without results. The well was abandoned.

Carjari No. 1 lying on the plunge of the Malacosti structure. (Concordia and Naoni Romania participated in this exploration). The well was spudded in on 3rd June 1943. On 23rd March 1944 a depth was reached of 1,991 m. so far without results.

The motorage drilled for joint account in this unit amounts to 5,545 units. 23rd March 1944.

#### Ad 9. Montcoru-Sarat.

A well (A.R. 1 Naoni) started drilling in this unit in September 1943 in order to investigate the root below a steep overthrust of older formations. In this well also Colombia and Concordia participated. In March 1944 the well was abandoned at a depth of 2,020 m as a dry hole in steep dipping Levantine formation.

#### Ad 10. Borcea

This structure, already proved productive before the war, could at the time of signing the Astra-Konti contract be considered as one of the best promising objectives for rapid development. Exploration drilling had started in 1938. The first well encountered a considerable thickness of well saturated peaty oil sand at shallow depth (850-1000 m), only part of which was tested, yielding clean oil at the rate of about 15 tons a day.

Oil is accumulated here against a N-S running trap fault on the steep flank of the Borcea anticline. Wells 3 and 6 proved this pool to extend for a distance of 1,000 m, whilst wells 51 and 53 proved the oil belt in width to a distance of about 300 m from the fault line. The actual thickness of oil sands was found to be 22 m.

Further possible extensions to the N and S of 1,000 , and 500 m respectively are indicated. The dip of this past flank is steep (30°) and in view of the fact that the oil is little saturated with gas and that the initial bottom hole pressure is low, it is assumed that conditions are favourable for gravity drainage with a consequent high percentage of recovery.

Wells 6, 51 and 53 were brought in from the full thickness of the oil sand, good for 75, 60 and 34 tons respectively, whilst well 4 may yield up to 22-30 tons daily.

Taking all the above factors into account, our plan is to produce recoverable oil in this pool in 1,000,000 tons.

South of the pool just described another oil sand has been found between exploratory wells 4, 5, 7 and 12. The oil sands are less saturated and so far only wells of 5 to 10 tons size can be reckoned. The production here is estimated at 80,000 tons.

In January 1944 an estimate was made at the regular oil company by the Astra and Konti according to the provisions of the contract. It was assumed that the 1,080,000 tons available oil Astra will obtain at the rate of 75% and Konti's share will amount to about 34,000 tons.

Until the beginning of 1944 no regular outlet was provided for the oil due to lack of pipe line facilities. It seemed that the oil obtained could be obtained piped to a storage station at Arbaust. A 40 km long pipeline was built with the Coptura field, laid in the beginning of 1944, and it began to supply the field at full capacity.

From the latest information available (March 1944) there is no plan of drilling continuously in Borcea.

Location distances have been fixed at 100 m. at the oil well, 100 m. along the line through well A.R. 1 and at 100 m. for wells south of the oil well.

**BERCA WELLS DRILLED FOR JOINT  
ACCOUNT UNTIL 23rd MARCH 1944**

<u>Well No</u>	<u>Depth in m</u>	<u>Results</u>
3	1,195	producer, 40 tons
4	736	dry hole
5	885	producer, 5 tons
6	1,053	producer, 75 tons
7	705	producer, 12 tons
8	440	producer, 8 tons
10	404	dry hole
12	609	producer, 3 tons
16	330	producer, 15 tons
51	1,052	producer, 60 tons
52	990	Bringing in
53	1,194	producer, 34 tons
56	1,140	Bringing in
<b>Total motorage</b>		<b>10,733</b>

The total motorage drilled by Astra in the whole central zone until 23rd March 1944 amounted to 24,276

### Eastern zone

Attention is drawn in the first place to the fact that towards the W. part of the oil basin the Mootic oil formation is gradually thinning out. Likewise is the sand content relatively diminishing in that direction with a consequent decrease of oil possibilities.

At Poicesti and Sotanga Astra had drilled several wells, which confirmed these general conditions, a total of only 50 m of Mootic appeared to be present containing only a few metric of sand.

At Poicesti the Mootic sands proved to be unproductive. In underlying Miocene beds, however, some of the older had found a small production on top of the structure. Deep drilling in the Miocene did not disclose further possibilities. However, as conditions are tectonically very complicated in the Miocene, this exploration cannot as yet be considered as definitely condemned. It certainly is not an attractive proposition though.

A further oil possibility at Poicesti, in the underthrust structure on the S flank was explored by Astra in a couple of wells (No 9 and 12). Drilling was suspended in February 1944 without finding an oil accumulation.

At Sotanga 3 wells were drilled by Astra in a section across the S flank of the anticline. In the highest well No 1 the Mootic was found to be gas bearing and the same sands proved to be water-bearing in the structurally lowest well No 2. The last well drilled, No 3, is half-way between the two former ones. It was brought in as a producer in January 1944, yielding 3 tons daily of clean oil.

The results at Sotanga showed, therefore, that a little oil is present but the occurrence is limited to a narrow belt of max. 200 m width.

Such were the conditions when the negotiations with the konti took place. In view of the poor outlook of prospects for this whole area it is considered quite reasonable that for this zone a buying-out scheme was preferred by Astra, especially when also taking into account the large investments already made there.

### Konti's activities

In 4 of the 6 units in which the zone is sub-divided, drilling activity took place.

Poicesti No 11. This well, previously drilled by Astra, was taken into repair by Konti. Four intervals of Miocene bands were tested between 640-693 m, but proved to be water bearing. The well was definitely abandoned.

Poicesti No 15 spudded in October 1943 and reached to a depth of 691 m to a shallow Miocene prospect. The interval 548-625 m contained only a trace of oil, otherwise the well was abandoned.

Poicesti No 16 spudded in January 1944 and reached a depth of 728 m on 14th Feb with 743.

Poicesti No 17 spudded on 1st March 1944 and reached a depth of 1,330 m to the Mootic formation. At a test, the well was abandoned as no worth testing were encountered.

Sotanga No 4. This well, previously drilled by Astra, was tested again by Konti from the interval between 552-566 m. Only a few sea bottom and the well was consequently abandoned.

Sotanga 101 spudded in January 1944 and reached a depth of 691 m to a shallow Miocene band. The well was situated in the narrow oil belt described above. It produced two oil perforations between 592 and 594 m opposite the Mootic II sand. The oil contained gasoline with a high octane number. The total depth of the well is 698 m.

Sotanga 102, this North flank well, was completed in January 1944. It was abandoned as a dry hole at 701 m.

Sotanga 104 started drilling 1st March 1944 and reached a depth of 746 m to the Mootic II sand. It became a producer at a rate of 100 bbls per hour between 503 and 524.5 m. Its total depth is 741 m.

Sotanga 106 was completed in February 1944 at a depth of 825 m (plugged back to 575 m) as a small producer.

000013

The total motorage drilled by Konti in the western zone on Astra territory up to 23rd March 1944 amounted to 5,528.

The Colombia (controlled by Kontinentale) drilled an unsuccessful well at Voinosti.

In consequence of the unfavourable results obtained at Voinosti and at Iaculesti those two units were discarded from the contract area as from 1st July 1943.

In summing up it can be said that Konti's efforts resulted so far (March 1944) in the further exploration of the one small productive area at Sotanga. It seems doubtful however, whether under normal circumstances a paying field can be developed here. The proved area is only 1300 by 200 m and when taking a sand thickness of 2 m a recovery factor of 0.04 and a specific gravity of 0.87, the proved reserves can be evaluated at only 13,000 tons.

#### KONTINENTALE OEL A.G.

Production from agreement area (in tons)

Monthly prod.	1941	1942	1943	1944
January		?	68	
February		78	197	
March		40	769	
April		33	994	
May		43	1366	
June		41	851	
July		8	?	
August		?		
September		23		
October	104	288		
November	93	64		
December	151	178		
Yearly total	406			

Oil Production

in thousands

Roumania

Astra Romana  
(inclusivu gospiro sharo exel  
natural gasolino)

1939	6,240,000	1,374,925	23.4
1940	5,815,000	1,184,986	20.4
1941	5,577,000	1,351,459	24.2
1942	5,665,357	1,538,667	27.2
1943	5,330,440	1,447,520	27.2

METRAGE DRILLED

Roumania

Astra Romana

(as operator)

1939	250,000	46,962	
1940	222,000	46,782	
1941	242,912	65,308	
1942	247,365	93,817	

000015

ROUMANIAoil production of 9 largest companies

in tons	<u>1939</u>	<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>	<u>1943</u>
1. Astra	1,374,925	1,184,986	1,351,459	1,538,667	1,447,520
2. Rom.Am.	(780,060)	(727,345)	(722,973)	(617,180)	(734,500)
3. Concordia	824,445	744,202	(703,801)+	(696,286)	(681,790)
4. St. Rom.	732,874	643,783	(563,867)	(580,333)	(539,490)
5. Uraline	(524,357)	(652,000)	(585,329)	(525,090)	(490,700)
6. Colordu	599,050	(585,193)	(450,300)	(432,483)	(414,440)
7. Crapin.	304,068	292,165	(279,969)	(267,214)	(264,060)
8. Brăhova	308,570	272,400	(247,640)	(244,533)	(220,510)
9. I.R.D.P.	140,604	101,957	( 89,779)	(120,627)	(128,840)

the above production figures are according to the annual reports published. Those between brackets are the productions of the respective companies as operators.

+) The production of the Foraky Romanescu, which company was taken over by the Concordia as from 1st January 1941, is included from that date.

**YEARLY PRODUCTION MORENI-FILIPESTI AREA**  
**ASTRA ROMANA**

in tons	1940	1941	1942	1943
Moreni -bana				
Piscuri				
asph.	150,745	166,646	158,415	
par.	36,748	30,304	31,526	
Sospiro area				
Astra share				
asph.	8,773	35,804	52,777	
par	29,338	35,883	50,113	
Filipesti				
asph.			240	
par.	closed in	40,577	87,195	
Total asph.	159,518	202,450	211,432	
Total par.	66,086	106,764	168,834	
Grand total	225,604	309,214	380,266	

**CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION ASTRA ROMANA**  
**(incl Sospiro share)**

in tons	per 31st December 1942
asph. oil	9,924,017
par. oil	2,394,065
Total	12,318,112

**000017**

MORENI FIELD

An analysis of the production situation as given in the accompanying statement shows that a yearly increase of 75,000 tons was obtained in 1941 and 1942 from the area. This was achieved mainly by opening up the Filiposti wells (which had remained closed in for restriction purposes during previous years) and furthermore by building up new production in the Sospiro area.

In the continuation of the Moreni-Piscuri south flank the Prader Lager productive of asphaltic oil, was found to be normally developed in Eastern direction up to the boundary of Filiposti. In this zone Astra (as operator for Sospiro) completed in the period between March 1941 and December 1943 20 producers for asph. oil, averaging 24 tons daily initial and 4 wells for paraffinous oil with an average daily initial of 50 tons.

The possibilities for further locations for asphaltic oil (for which oil and gas existed due to it's high content of lubricating oil) were practically exhausted at the end of 1943 as the oil belt is a narrow strip of some 200 x 300 meters width only. Still the settled production of asphaltic crude obtained from this strip amounted to 100 tons daily in December 1943.

The Filiposti south flank proved to very prolific. The production here of some 120 tons per day opened up in the beginning of 1941 of paraffinous crude could be improved, by drilling wells in the Eastern extension towards Galinesti, to 300 tons per day at the end of 1943. A reinterpretation of subsurface conditions led to the discovery of these good possibilities and a certain number of further locations is still available here. The average initial production of new wells is about 70 tons daily in this area.

In the Northern part of the Sospiro area, in the continuation of the Moreni-Piscuri North flank, the Romano Americana is operator. They drilled up the available locations for asphaltic oil here in 1941. For paraffinous crude there were no further possibilities here.

In the rest of the Moreni-Pama-Piscuri fields no new wells were drilled. By repairing and redrilling a number of old wells the production was kept continuously at the highest possible level.

### SOSPIRO PRODUCTION (A.R. & R.A.)

	in tons
1935	583
1936	57,460
1937	90,680
1938	137,740
1939	125,060
1940	151,240
1941	(257,000)
1942	(303,000)

The cumulative total sospiro production at the end of 1943 may have reached approx 1,400,000 tons.

The Sospiro deal was closed in 1933 on the basis of an estimated total recovery of approx 3,000,000 tons. That estimate, due to unsatisfactory results obtained at Aricesti and Boldostti (Gagorii) was reduced by Campina in 1937 to approx 1,300,000 tons.

At present it looks probable that the original estimate will be substantiated as a considerable tail production can still be expected from the Piscuri-Filipesti area, especially from the pacic wells drilled there during the war. This is further illustrated by the following figures:

### PISCURI - FILIPESTI, SOSPIRO PRODUCTION

In tons	<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>
	76,222	143,374	205,780

BOLDESTI FIELD

yearly production by companies:

in tons	1939	%	1940	%	1941	%	1942	%
Astra.Rom.	356,495	51.3	301,854	51.-	361,787	56.8	462,856	61.9
ROM.AMOR.	171,593	24.7	140,756	23.6	149,473	23.5	172,214	23.-
Stoaua Rom.	74,573	10.7	73,888	12.2	48,440	7.6	42,637	5.7
Unirca	70,370	10.2	57,098	9.6	57,155	9.-	50,041	6.7
Cred.Min.	21,799	3.1	20,579	3.6	20,188	3.2	19,542	2.7
Total:	694,830		597,175		637,043		747,290	

As shown in this statement Astra as operator increased its share of the total field's production from 75% in 1939 to 85% in 1942.

The figures of 1940 and to a lesser extent those of 1941 are influenced by the production curtailments which in 1940 were caused by lack of export facilities and in 1941 by the outbreak of the war with Russia. In 1942 production was appreciably higher again, even than in 1939, particularly as a result of the completion of a number of good wells in the Northern zone in 1941.

The general situation as regards oil recovery from this field can be judged from the following statement:

Quantitative production by companies:

in tons	situation on 31st 1942	%
Astra.Rom.	6,381,195	50.42
ROM.AMOR.	2,930,577	23.16
Stoaua Rom.	1,510,339	11.93
Unirca	1,367,061	10.80
Cred.Min.	466,910	3.69
Total:	12,656,082	

The two string drilling programme in force in 1940 was continued unchanged as only a number of semi-proved locations was available in the north central area. The undrilled gap existing there could only gradually be filled up by stopping out alternately from the S and from N. In doing so it proved that the unthrust flank continues undisturbed in this region at a gentle dip of the same mode it possible to drill a second row of wells. Another even a third will be found out by well 165 now drilling. In the S the only two remaining locations were drilled in 1940 (145 and 147).

During 1943 the situation in regard to locations had become such that we decided to drill a number of new wells alongside certain old wells, which had to be abandoned prematurely for some reason or other. It should be noted that in such old drilled areas only small producers could be expected with normal drilling under normal circumstances. The results obtained were indeed rather unsatisfactory.

The results obtained from the above drilling are collected below:

number of completions	oil production (in tons daily initial)
0	312
1941	6
1942	6
1943	5

No new wells have been drilled in the last three years due to lack of funds and the price of gas market.

The total number of the wells drilled in the field is about 1,000, including the shallow wells drilled in the great basin, the northern and the southern flanks. In addition certain wells have been spudded up for gas production and some of them have a small amount of gas needed for lifting and circulating through the compressed plant. This had reached a figure of 780,000 m<sup>3</sup> per day in February 1943 as against 100,000 m<sup>3</sup> per day at the end of 1940.

000020

Number of producing wells at the end of December:

	1940	1941	1942
flowing	17	23	23
gas lifting	35	47	51
pumping	1	5	10
total:	53	75	84

This table not only illustrates the above-mentioned increased gas E&P activity, but it also shows the efforts made to boost up the production to the highest possible figure by putting a number of small old wells on the beam. This, however, could in most cases only be achieved after carrying out costly repair jobs.

TINTEA

The Meotic oil pool in the North flank of Tintea, discovered in 1937 has from the beginning been developed in a scientific way. It constitutes the first example in Roumania of close co-operation between all operators with the full support of the government.

In the tectonic unit in which Astra's private land is situated, the first wells were brought into production in 1938. They had a high potential capacity (250 tons and more) and in order to conserve the gas energy a rational production scheme was devised, whereby a max allowable production for each well was established according to a formula based on the potential capacity of the well and the gas/oil ratio of the same.

In the beginning the bottom hole pressure was 3.66 kg/10,000 tons of oil produced, but gradually, by adjusting the formula, this figure could be reduced to 1.08 by the end of 1939 and to 0.67 by the end of 1940.

During the war the adopted policy of rational exploitation was continued very strictly. In December 1941, eg, further negotiations regarding conservation of gas energy led to the closing of a unit operation agreement for the Tintea North block under discussion, in which Astra's share was fixed at 83.73%, whereas Unirea obtained 14.05% and Colombia 1.42% of the production. By shutting in wells with a high gas/oil ratio and producing wells at a structurally lower position with less back pressure a considerable quantity of gas could be left in the ground. The gas/oil ratio, which initially was about 240 m<sup>3</sup>/bbl had risen to an average of 365 in October 1941, but after the joint exploitation agreement was put into force the average gas/oil ratio could in December 1941 be reduced to 233, which shows the remarkable improvement in production conditions achieved.

In the Eastern part of the North flank Astra holds jointly with Stocan Romana a state perimeter (valoare lui stat). This area forms part of a structural unit, for which likewise a unit operation agreement has been closed.

In both areas a close watch on the bottom hole pressure and temperature conditions is being observed all the time. The bottom hole pressure, which amounted in the beginning to 270-290 atm. had dropped to about 150 atm at the end of 1942. A repressuring scheme has been worked out, but due to the lack of compressors and the shortage of high pressure gas (needed for other purposes, eg gas lifting at Boldesti) these plans could not yet be executed.

## ASTRA PRODUCTION AT TINTEA

(in tons)

<u>1920</u>	<u>1922</u>	<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>	<u>1943</u>
198,510	301,307	46,500	73,074	275,91...	

as operator

Drilling

The first systematic drilling at Tintea had practically come to an end and it had to wait the drilling of locations to the most prolific 10 or 12 oil and gas fields (M-1). As from January 1942 one string was occupied in drilling the wells at pintor pozzi to the upper Meotic sand series (M-1). These wells average initially about 75 tons.

In 1941 two strings were put on exploration drilling work, viz., one string was drilled north where Astra holds a 65% interest in a large area, pooled with Romania (15%) and Colombia (15%) and the second string at Baiocci south.

The drilling at Baiocci North resulted in the discovery of an oil accumulation of importance in the western part of the block. This area is being developed further. In 1943 two wells, a R.17 and R.18 were brought in here with 85 and 52 tons initial production respectively.

The drilling at Baiocci South proved the subsurface conditions in the Astra block of holdings to be unfavourable (steep dip and high salt water level). Drilling consequently stopped here.

## CEPTURA-URLATI

yearly production Astra Romana (quota) in tons:

<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>	<u>1943</u>
176,650	164,719		

Cumulative production Astra Romana up to 31st December 1941 in tons:

2,786,912

structurally the field can be subdivided into 3 units:

- a. the old Ceptura field
- b. the Orzoaia structure
- c. the Urlati structure

The first two units were fully developed and (with the exception of state land) practically drilled up before the war. The last-mentioned unit constitutes an entirely new feature developed during the war. By gradually stopping cut on the flanks of the Orzoaia structure towards the S. a new pool was discovered in the second half of 1940, situated below and to the N.W. of the town of Urlati. It consists of a closure in the overthrust limb, where the big Valcea-Calaaguioasca fault bends from an E-W direction towards N.

#### Drilling

In the old Ceptura field 9 wells in which Astra participates were completed up to September 1943 with an average per well of 17 tons now production.

On the Orzoaia structure 8 filling-in wells were drilled during the same period, averaging 38 tons initial daily production per well.

On the Urlati structure all privately owned sub-surface rights practically in the hands of Astra Romana and the Romano Americana, and a joint agreement for the acquisition of land there. During the war, 10 State permitors were acquired in the same area for joint account (in one of which also the Grua. junior participated).

Up to September 1943 Astra and Romano Americana completed 19 wells in the area, averaging 45 tons daily initial production. In all these wells Astra participates with varying percentages.

The above described drilling activity is directed to the purpose of maintaining production to offset the decline of Astra production in the Ceptura area.

## MARGINENT

The productive area in this field was fairly well defined in 1940. It will be remembered that the main feature is an elongated anticline running WSW-ENE, with a regular S flank but with a N flank which is thrust down along a strike-fault. The trend of the latter was known from the Astra wells nos 2 and 4.

In the culmination of the anticline the Mootic was proved to be gas bearing only; later on it was recognised that here conditions prevail conducive for the production of distillate. The fact that only very moderate possibilities were found in the Mootic was not quite understood until more prolific oil layers were encountered in Miocene sands, unconformably underlying the Mootic. Further exploration of the Miocene showed that here production was limited to a belt at the NE end of the anticline, where a sufficiently sandy development exists. The extension of this Miocene pool was also known in 1940 as a result of the exploration carried out by Astra in its wells nos 7 and 12.

The proved Miocene productive area was drilled up during 1941. It runs through Sospiro territory where Romano Americana is operator. The wells drilled during that year are Sosp. 1, 5, 7, 10 and 11. These were followed by two dry holes drilled in 1942 with the purpose of again exploring the N flank of the structure. These wells: Sosp. 12 and A.R.14 proved that the underthrust plane is much flatter than anticipated, causing the anticline to nearly turn over towards the N.W. Neither the Mootic nor the Miocene contain any oil here and the limit of productivity is thus fixed by a line running through wells A.R.5 and Sosp. 7.

Due to the absence of further possibilities drilling was stopped in 1942 after completing well Sosp. 17.

Up to January 1st 1942, the cumulative production of the field amounted to 449,000 tons, of which Astra's share was 170,000 tons, which figures clearly show that the field as a whole is a disappointment. However, the fact remains that a number of proved locations was available for immediate drilling, which enabled Astra to build up a daily production here of some 200 tons. The production of Romano Americana was thereby equally stimulated,

Monthly production ASTRA ROMANO in tons:

1940	1941	1942	1942	1942
... 106	41,96	19,36		
1940	1941	1942	1942	1942
45,870	90,845	170,24		

/42

000024

OCHIRU-RASVAD

No new developments of importance took place in the area.

Production Astra Romana in tons:

	<u>Dacic Oil</u>	<u>Mootic Oil</u>
1940	16,410	161,080
1941	13,510	162,421
1942	13,584	182,228
1943		

Cumulative production of Astra Romana in tons:

situation on 31st December 1942

## Ochiuri

Dacic oil	1,254,600
Mootic oil	1,247,800

## Rasvad

Mootic oil	1,713,000
------------	-----------

## Total:

4,215,400

## Filling-in

## PRACTICE

From 1941 to 1944 a small number of filling-in locations were carried out in the SW and SE part of the field. Those averaged 20 tons daily initial production.

## WELLING

After the high grade plateau drilling was completed in the old field in 1943 9 out of 9 Mootic wells completed in that year were failures and 3 yielded 5-10 tons new production per well. In the same year also a number of Dacic wells were drilled which came in with 1-2 tons daily.

It is very doubtful whether this activity was paying.

BUCSANE

Monthly production by companies in tons:

	<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>	<u>1943</u>
Autra Rom.	18,737	15,708	17,640	
Rea Mar.				
Ci. para Rom.	125,899	103,583	110,696	
Chilean	36,828	25,860	18,778	
Colombia	63,705	54,991	46,254	
Guatemala	7,715	6,356	4,883	
Peru Min.	625	506	376	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>253,509</b>	<b>207,004</b>	<b>198,627</b>	

No new developments took place in this field.

From the following table the total recovery of all companies can be seen.

Annual production as per 31st December 1942 in tons:

		<u>%</u>
Autra Rom.	436,189	6.4
Rea Mar.	62,975	1.2
Ci. para Rom.	2,460,541	46.2
Chilean	625,301	15.9
Colombia	1,137,399	21.6
Guatemala	43,073	5.6
Peru Min.	46,104	0.9
<b>Total:</b>	<b>2,410,502</b>	

000026

## ASTRA ROMANA

Deliveries of refined products  
in tons

		<u>1939</u>	<u>1940</u>	<u>1941</u>	<u>1942</u>
gasoline					
	inland	41,774	50,312	46,804	57,686
	export	376,206	216,807	525,695	435,177
kerosene					
	inland	51,067	47,986	54,280	107,558
	export	149,183	93,205	103,851	80,192
oil & fuel					
	inland	328,383	366,130	384,444	426,001
	export	413,217	227,096	313,554	306,982
diesel					
	inland	6,621	7,577	9,443	14,308
	export	30,186	16,142	25,232	30,038
other products					
	inland	20,932	17,660	29,140	18,969
	export	22,996	11,300	18,462	16,199
Total:		1,440,565	1,054,215	1,510,905	1,493,110

000027

ASTRA ROMANA REFINERY, PLOESTI  
December 1942

Intake of crude:

Naphthenic	20,559 tons
Intermediate	9,891 "
Paraffin	85,716 "
Total:	116,166 tons

Intake of cracking plant:

Paraffin, paraffin	41,060 tons
Gasoline	4,010 "
Total:	45,070 tons

Intake of Lubricating oil plant:

Asph. paraffin	5,786 tons
----------------	------------

Products manufactured:

	tons	%	av. 1939	av. 1938
Casoline	35,218	30.32	24.36	23.37
Fluid gas	403	0.35	-	-
White spirit and				
Kerosene	11,514	9.91	14.70	15.51
Quartz	14,597	12.56	16.47	16.81
Paraffin	35,577	28.90	32.28	32.23
Spec. gasoil	10,005	8.61	1.79	1.79
Lubricating oil	3,000	2.58	2.13	2.17
Lignite	2,237	1.93	1.52	2.08
Coke	24	0.02	0.40	0.69
Propane, butane	33	0.03	-	0.33
Fuel gas	2,162	2.72	4.11	3.05
Lotions	2,291	1.98	2.19	1.94
Haptol, etc.	105	0.09	0.05	0.03
	116,166	100.00	100.00	100.00

From Month to Month  
1940 1939  
p.90 p.994

1940, Dec. - 1939, Dec. 22, 1940

000028

## MERGER ASTRA ROMANA/GENERALA PETROLIFERA

On December 9th 1943, a meeting of shareholders took place in which a resolution was carried to sanction the merger agreement closed with the generala petrolifera.

Astra paid a nominal value of Lei 13,333,500 in shares (having a market value of Lei 80,000,000 when taking a quotation of 600% as a basis) and obtained thereby:

1. The royalty rights on generala's land holdings at Scaoni (Boldesti), ie 4½% on oil and 10% on gas produced. In money this royalty amounted to:

in 1939 :	Lei 4,618,368
1940 :	?
1941 :	" 2,246,089
1942 :	" 4,794,411

2. The surface rights on 68 ha at Scaoni up to the year 1973. Important installations of the Boldesti field are situated on this property, viz, main pumping station, tank farm, electric dehydration plant, gasoline absorption plant, compressor plant, workers' colony etc.

3. The subsurface rights on 104 ha at Scaoni from 1956 - 1973.

In the same meeting an increase of Astra's share capital from Lei 2,542,500,000 to Lei 2,555,833,500 was voted.

RECORDED ON FEB 11 1966  
INT. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
(FIRST CANADIAN ARMY  
FORCES)

11-2-42

000029