

Operation "Náchod Terror." Files of this name found in the archival resources of the State Security (Státní bezpečnost, StB) document show trials with the so called Karel Rudolf and Karel Vondráček groups. The case involving a group of private farmers from the village of Litobor and its surroundings became the largest show trial with private farmers in the former Region of Eastern Bohemia. It was conducted in two parts, 26th-27th January and 25th-26th June 1952. The State Court (Státní soud) sentenced 18 people for treason and other criminal acts. Four death sentences were passed, three out of which were carried out and one changed to life sentence. Most of the remaining convicts were condemned to 14 to 20 years imprisonment. In the outcome, the public trials, greatly abused by the regime propaganda, served finally to crush the stubborn opposition of private farmers in the area against the establishing of collective farms (Jednotná zemědělská družstva, JZD).