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CEZAR STANCIU, Luigi Longo and Nicolae Ceauşescu. New Evidences from the Romanian Archives

Moscow's efforts to restore its control over world Communism after 1964 were met with terrible résistance from many parties in the world, the most vocal being two parties placed on opposite sides of the Iron Curtain: the Italian and the Romanian Communists. Although for different reasons, Luigi Longo and Nicolae Ceauşescu worked together in order to insure that relations within the movement would be based on each party's autonomy. This article explores the collaboration developed by two parties in the context of the Prague Spring on bases of new archival evidence, available in the former PCR archives. It analyzes both the similarities and the dissimilarities between the two parties as well as the forms and limits of their cooperation. This way, the article brings further insight into the complicated relations between Moscow and the worldwide Communist parties and helps to further explain both the long-term consequences of the Sino-Soviet split and the emergence of Euro-communism.

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