

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM
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TO: DIR INFO: PRIT [] SGUAT CITE: SLINC 499
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REF: [] 504 (WILL PASS GUAT)

1. LINC ANALYSIS REF MSG AS FOLLOWS:
 - A. GARCIA'S VISIT APPARENTLY TIMED TO OFFSET CALLIGERIS NEGOTIATIONS AS WESBUNT BELIEVED HAVE FULL KNOWLEDGE CALLIGERIS/[] [] PROPOSAL FROM DELGADO and/OR OTHER ECA.
 - B. LONG RUMORED ARMY COUP OR ARBENZ SWITCH MAY BE PRE-OAS BUILD-UP MANEUVER.
 2. GARCIA KNOWN PERSONALLY BY DUNBAR DURING PERIOD 1947-51. WHD FILES SHOULD CONTAIN DUNBAR'S REPORTS ^{GARCIA'S} ~~RE~~ SPONSORSHIP COMMUNIST USE HIS DIPLOMATIC POUCH IN SANTIAGO, CHILE, 1950-51. ALSO HIS PREVIOUS PROPOSAL TO BUY OUT ARBENZ, HIS ALLEGED FRIEND.
 3. IF COMMUNISTS BEHIND MILITARY SWITCH OF ARBENZ FOR DECEPTION REASONS DUNBAR BELIEVES GARCIA WOULD BE LIKELY TOOL. ALTHOUGH GARCIA NOT KNOWN TO BE COMMUNIST, HE UNQUESTIONABLY ESTABLISHED AS AN OPPORTUNIST IN THE PAST.
- END OF MESSAGE

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