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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Guatemala; Conversation with Ambassador Corrigan

1. While in New York on May seventh I met Ambassador Corrigan who reported to me that he had not had much success in obtaining publicity around the UN for the anti-Guatemala cause. He said that he has the AP correspondent ready to write a story, but it needs to be tied on to some personality. Ambassador Corrigan has spoken to several diplomats from the Caribbean area but although they all criticize Guatemala, they seem afraid to make any statement. Several have said that they could not say anything before the forthcoming ODECA conference in San Jose. All of them have been corresponding with their governments about the matter. The Cuban is doing his best to persuade his government to let him make a statement. Ambassador Corrigan asked me whether it would be a good thing for him to go further afield and try to get [] of Uruguay to talk to the newspapers. I told him that while it would be better for someone in the Caribbean area to speak, that failing this the job might well be done by the Uruguayan. He is going to try that.

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