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INITIATION OF ACTION. FIGURE BASED ON EXPECTATION OF EARLY ACTION, IF MUCH DELAY FIGURE WILL INCREASE. DOUBLE-LOCAL ARMY WAS MOBILIZED MONDAY NIGHT OCT 13 TROOP TANK AND ARTILLERY TURNOUT. INFO RECEIVED STATES CAUSE TO BE INCIPIENT REVOLT IN ARMY AGAINST GOVT, SUGGESTS THIS A BLIND IN ORDER TO STAGE LIQUIDATION OF ADVERSE CIVILIAN GROUPS, SORT OF SALVADOR THING IN REVERSE. MY OPINION THIS MAY HAVE BEEN EXERCISE LIKE FIRE DRILL ON A SHIP. DO YOU KNOW OF RNDINDLE'S ARRANGEMENT WITH U.S. AGENT MET IN [] FOR AIR DROP AT POINT TO BE CHOSEN OF TEAR GAS BOMBS HE WANTS FOR HIS OPERATION. IS THIS JOB GOING TO BE DULY CARRIED OUT? ARE YOU INFORMED OF REPORTED CARIBBEAN LEGION CONCENTRATION FORCE (RCVD FINCA) NEAR MONGOY NEAR SALVADORAN BORDER? WEATHER HERE IN LAST STAGES RAINY SEASON. ALL SIGNS POINT TO DRY SEASON COMMENCING ABOUT NOV 21. RNDINDLE'S GROUP STILL INTACT UNDAUNTED. HE IS PROCEEDING ACTIVELY OPENLY WITH ELECTIONEERING FOR SEAT IN NEW CONGRESS. ESCUINTLA ANTI COMMIES INFORMED ME THEY HAD UNIFIED FOUR GROUPS POLITICAL CAMPAIGN TO ELECT THEIR MAN AND PREVENT

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ELECTION OF COMMIE PARTY MAN PELLEGER WHO ALSO HAS OPEN PAR SUPPORT, STATED THEY HAVE POPULAR SUPPORT ALL RANKS TO WIN ELECTION IF NO FRAUD".

FIELD COMMENTS:

1. WE KNOW NOTHING OF LEGION CONCENTRATION NEAR MONCOY. CONSIDER REPORT DOUBTFUL.
2. LOCAL PRESS STORY 15 OCT MENTIONED PRESENCE ARMED SOLDIERS AT ENTRANCE POINTS TO GUAT CITY AND REGISTRATION (OR SEARCHING) OF VEHICLES ENTERING CITY HAS CAUSED SPECULATION NEW PLOT AGAINST GOVT.
3. THERE IS NO OVERT EVIDENCE OF UNUSUAL TENSION. ESCROW FURNISHED 15 OCT WHAT HE CALLED "RUMORS" OF (1) MOVEMENT AGAINST GOVT BY MILITARY AND (2) MOVEMENT BY MILITARY WITH ARBENZ TO FORM RIGHTIST DICTATORSHIP. ESCROW COMMENTED HE ATTRIBUTES THE TENSION TO INTERPARTY AND INTRAPARTY POLITICAL STRUGGLES.
4. POSSIBLY ARMY ORDERED ON ALERT 13 OCT BUT WE HAVE NO INFO RE SO CALLED "MOBILIZATION".

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