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- 2 scripts: (a) "How to identify Communist fronts and fellow-travelers"
(b) "Moscow's Hand behind the Arbenz Regime"

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(How to identify Communist fronts and fellow-travelers)

Communists are using all sorts of disguises to further their purposes, to attract new followers and to gain more power, without having to show their true faces. They seem to be ashamed of their own party name and they don't call their own party "Communist Party" but "Labor Party" (POT). Indeed, considering the innumerable crimes of which communists have become guilty throughout the world, crimes against millions of individuals, crimes against many nations, crimes against the peace and freedom of the world, they have every reason to be ashamed of their name.

This, however, is not their true reason for all these disguises and detours: actually, they want, as a small minority, to hold total power over every nation and finally over the world. They would not want to accept every worker or peasant as a full-fledged party member, even if they could persuade or force everybody to join. Even in Russia, where they have been in full power for 37 years, there are only 6 million communist party members compared with about 200 million inhabitants: only 3% of the population of the Soviet Union are "privileged" to be communist party members! Because of this minority -- or "elite" -- character of their party, they have to use organizations outside their own party to influence, to lead and finally to dominate the masses of the people.

This communist habit of disguise and camouflage makes it necessary for everybody to learn how to recognize the wolves in sheep clothing, how to distinguish between an honest organization and one which merely serves as a cover for the Soviet conspiracy. It is just as important to uncover Moscow's agents beneath their many changing masks, as it is to avoid accusing people falsely of being communists, merely because the communists are misusing those people's ideas or the names of their groups.

The main characteristics of communist-controlled camouflaged organizations -- which we call "fronts" but which the communists like to refer to as "democratic mass organizations" -- are:

- 1) Their activities and their tactics change every time the communist party line changes;
- 2) They are affiliated, directly or indirectly, to some international federation or council which is controlled by Moscow;
- 3) They have ample funds for propaganda and are very reluctant to disclose the origin of these funds;
- 4) You are likely to find among their leading officials some dyed-in-the-wool communists whom you may also recognize by the fact that they belong (either now or before) to other, similar front organizations -- although the president and vice-president of such a group is usually perfectly "neutral" and "innocent".

Take, for instance, the example of the communist-inspired "peace committees". Everybody prefers peace: the desire for peace is by no means a communist prerogative -- on the contrary, the Soviets must be largely blamed for the outbreak of World War II (by concluding a friendship pact with Hitler and agreeing to Hitler's attack against Poland, they actually permitted and even encouraged Hitler to launch the war). They are maintaining the largest peace-time army in the world, they have conducted an aggressive war-like policy ever since the end of World War II and have been guilty of open aggression in Korea and elsewhere.

Nevertheless, the communists exploit this universal desire for peace, collect signatures, form committees and organizations, hold meetings and conventions and engage in voluminous and expensive "peace offensive" propaganda campaigns the world

over. How, then, to distinguish between genuine groups of peace lovers and pacifists on the one hand and these communist-manipulated fronts on the other hand?

First of all, look for any changes and twists in their attitudes which might betray their relationship to communist party tactics. If a man (or a group) for instance, was against the war and for neutrality throughout World War II, from 1939 until 1945, he is apparently a genuine pacifist. But if such a man or a group condemned the war between 1939 and June 1941 -- that is, as long as Russia was a neutral in the war -- but advocated active participation in the war against the Axis powers as soon as Hitler had attacked the Soviet Union, he is obviously following the communist party line and his alleged pacifism is mere camouflage.

Second, look at the organizational affiliations of such a group: if the group is closely related to other groups known to be communist-dominated, for instance in our country to the OWM, this will strengthen your suspicions. If you find that the "pacifist" group in question is affiliated with the World Peace Council, a completely communist-controlled organization presided over by the French communist Frederic Joliot-Curie (its headquarters was expelled from Paris, France, by the French government because of its conspiratorial character and is now behind the Iron Curtain) -- you can be certain that this is a communist front.

You may find additional evidence by checking up on the political careers and connections of the group's leading officials and by scrutinizing the group's expenses and the way in which it accounts for them. If the group has a well established office and paid personnel, if it publishes a lavishly printed journal, issues frequently posters, leaflets and other expensive propaganda material, if it sends often delegates to conferences in far-away countries -- and if all these expenses are in sharp contradiction to the number and average incomes of the group's members,

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you have every reason to suspect that these funds are actually communist propaganda funds. Of course, no communist party -- not even in Russia -- collects enough membership dues or other legitimate income to finance all these world-wide activities. The bulk of the money comes from the governments, that is, from the taxpayers in communist-controlled countries: we know well enough that the Arbenz regime, too, subsidizes, directly or indirectly, numerous communist front organizations in our country here.

What we said before about communist "peace" groups, applies equally to any other types of communist front organizations, whether they may be called labor unions, youth organizations, women's groups, associations of "progressive" lawyers or artists, societies of veterans of the Spanish civil war, or what not. They all belong to their respective international control centers -- the labor unions to the World Federation of Trade Unions, the youth groups to the World Federation of Democratic Youth, the women's groups to the International Federation of Democratic Women, and so forth.

In our struggle to liberate our homeland from domination by Moscow's agents, we must pay attention not only to the openly identified representatives of Moscow such as the admittedly communist members of congress. Just like a ship encountering an iceberg is in much greater danger from the seven eighths of the iceberg which are below the surface than from the one eighth above, the hidden strength of Moscow's agents and allies in our country is more dangerous than what little strength they choose to show openly.

We urge you therefore to expose communist fronts, fellow travelers and all other disguised agents and allies of Moscow in every possible form. If you are a member of an honest organization of any kind where communists try to gain influence, oppose their every move, warn your friends, explain to them the workings of these communist

manoeuvres just as we explain them to you today! If you have joined a communist front group by mistake, resign from it immediately and ask all others who are there by honest mistake only, to resign together with you: make your resignation public.

If you have been forced into membership in a communist-led group from which you cannot immediately resign, for instance a labor union affiliated with the CIO, join with all non-communist members in opposition against the leaders who were imposed upon you by trickery: protest any misuse of your union for political purposes, protest all contacts with foreign communists, oppose the affiliation with the communist World Federation of Trade Unions, refuse to participate in political strikes, do not pay any contributions which will only benefit the communist conspiracy!

Take an equally firm stand against the individual fellow-traveler or disguised communist. If he asks you to sign a peace resolution, demand that he includes a statement against the huge peace-time army maintained by Russia as well: if he refuses, tell him what you think of his political hypocrisy and tell this to his friends, neighbors and fellow-workers, too. Ask him to state unequivocally where he stands, on the side of Moscow or on the side of Guatemala, on the side of atheistic communism or on the side of christianity. Force him to show his colors. Don't allow him to escape detection by ambiguous weasel words, speaking of "democracy" where he really means Bolshevik dictatorship, speaking of "agrarian reform" where he really means the forced labor system of collective farms as established in all communist countries, and so forth!

Moscow's agents, allies and dupes have every reason to shy away from the broad daylight. All the more reason for us to call everybody by his true name, to call a communist a communist and to cut through the fog of misleading propaganda and trickery with which Arons and the communist wire-pullers behind him try to blindfold our

entire people. let's focus the searchlight of truth upon the dark machinations of Moscow's international conspiracy to cleanse the soil of our homeland!

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(MOSCOW'S HAND BEHIND THE ARBENZ REGIME)

We just received a full confession from a man who until a few days ago was an active official of the PGT but who has now broken away from the party in disgust. We were at first inclined to doubt his story and to consider it as another of the many provocations which the Arbens-Soviet regime has attempted against us in the last few weeks. However, he was able to present us with fully convincing documentary evidence and a rapid preliminary investigation on our part has confirmed certain essential points of his story.

Since he does not want to flee from our country but intends to stay where he is, refusing to go into hiding, we can obviously not tell you his name, nor can we give any information which would lead Moscow's secret agents in our midst to identify him. We can assure you however that we are telling you his story only after the most serious examination and after we have satisfied ourselves that his report is genuine and true. Here, then, is the story of how Moscow issued its orders for the events that have been taking place in our country during the last 6 months.

The Soviet Commercial Attaché as Messenger

During the last week of October 1953, the Soviet Commercial Attaché residing in Mexico City, Mikhail K. Sazonov was staying at a certain hotel in Guatemala City. He purported to visit our country to promote trade deals concerning bicycles, radios, typewriters and so forth. His real mission however was to transmit travel orders to the 2 top Guatemalan Communist Party leaders, Victor Manuel Gutierrez and Jose Manuel Fertunoy. Both left immediately after Sazonov's visit, for Moscow - as you can see if you check the newspapers of those days.

They had been called to the world capital of Communism to receive a complete set of orders for the future of our country. The importance of their mission was stressed by the fact that they were received by Soviet Prime Minister Malenkov, which is proven by a photograph showing Malenkov, Gutierrez and Fortuny together which was published in the RIT newspaper TAJUELA POPULAR after the return of the latter two.

The Contents of Moscow's Plan

In the first secret meeting of the Political Committee of the RIT held after the return of the two leaders from Moscow, Gutierrez disclosed the following orders which he and Fortuny had been given in Moscow, by the Latin American branch of the International Department of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, with the full approval and endorsement of Party Secretary General Khrushchev and Soviet Prime Minister Malenkov.

The gist of Moscow's orders, as proven by the minutes of the secret meeting of the Political Committee which our informant was able to show us, is as follows:

The Kremlin considers the Communist Party in Guatemala as its most important asset in the Western Hemisphere. The RIT must therefore conduct all negotiations with the Arbenz regime as well as in other Latin American countries with the utmost vigor and speed. Moscow recognizes that the intended political invasion, first of Central America and later of the entire Western Hemisphere, cannot be conducted openly under the Communist banner: Gutierrez and Fortuny were therefore told to keep their own RIT "modestly" in the background and do most of their work through a broadened "united front" with all other

pro-Arbenz parties and groups as well as through Communist-controlled front organizations such as the UGMA, the AJEG, and others.

The orders also contained specific instructions as to how to influence and to control the armed forces of Guatemala since Moscow does not believe that its ambitious program of political conquest can be achieved entirely by propaganda and comparatively "peaceful" means alone. In particular, Gutierrez was told to use flattery as well as bribes to insure the loyalty of the army leaders for the Arbenz regime.

At the same time, however, he was instructed to start organizing clandestine cells of "progressive" army officers who could counteract any suspicious move on the part of the army high command. Moreover, the POF was to instruct campesinos - sympathizing with the Communists because of the agrarian reform - to enlist in the army in order to insure the political grip on the POF upon the enlisted personnel as well. Not satisfied with all these precautions, the POF was also ordered to start organizing secret "shock forces of workers and peasants" and to equip them with arms, either to support the army as long as it serves the Communist cause or to lead a popular uprising against the army if it should desert the cause of the Kremlin as represented in our country by Arbenz and company.

Moscow issued at the same time detailed instructions as to the penetration of key civilian positions in Guatemala: the UT was specifically told to place reliable comrades into the police, the courts, radio stations, newspaper offices, banks, and all important government agencies.

Apart from these orders related to the internal affairs of our country, the

orders of the Kremlin contain also several specific points on international affairs. Subierres and Fortuny were told to use their control of the Arbenz Government for both diplomatic offensives and propaganda campaigns against the USA and in favor of the Soviet Union, presenting the USA as an imperialist war monger, while depicting the Soviet Union as the great protector of world peace.

Malenkov expressed much interest in the "Central American Youth Rally" which the Communists intend to hold in Guatemala City next September. He also wanted Guatemala to become the center for organizations of intellectuals, artists, teachers, etc. throughout Latin America. Moscow emphasized particularly that in view of the great difficulties encountered by Communist propaganda in most other Central American countries, the PIT was to use its undercover control of the Guatemalan diplomatic service to smuggle Communist propaganda material as well as funds into Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Panama and other countries.

We Must Defeat Moscow's Sinister Intentions While There is Still Time!

Many of the secret instructions quoted above have been carried out in the meantime by Moscow's obedient servants in our country. The foreign policy conducted by President Arbenz and Foreign Minister Toriello has followed exactly Moscow's orders. Communist propaganda has been channeled from Guatemala in all directions and has caused unrest and strife in several neighboring republics. We have also gathered evidence as to the progress of Communist infiltration into the armed forces as well as in civilian government agencies and private businesses. We can therefore not doubt that the remainder

of Moscow's orders will also be carried out in the near future. Moreover we must fear that the obedience of Arbenz, Fortuny, Gutierrez and company will induce Moscow to issue further and even more dangerous orders to its agents in our country.

We must therefore rid our homeland of the Communist pest before it is too late. We hope that other honest, but misled men like the one who brought us the above information will recognize the criminal character of the conspiracy in which they have become involved - and that they will act now. We appeal to all members of the armed forces, to all government employees and to all officials and members of the parties and groups who have so far supported the Arbenz regime to take a clear and unambiguous stand: you must denounce and repudiate Moscow's orders of which we have informed you above - or you, too will be held accountable for Moscow's imperialist intervention against the sovereignty, the security and the very future of our country!