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FROM ACOS, [ ] LINCOLN

INFO ACOS, Guatemala City; Washington

SUBJECT { GENERAL / SPECIFIC

Tactical Intelligence Matters
Report of Mines on Guatemalan Border

REF: [ ] 020, 7 May 1954

FOR LUGTON

1. In a report attached to the reference dispatch it was stated that SEMANTIC had received information from an unidentified informant in Entre Rios to the effect that a group of men have been laying mines along the Guatemalan side of the border with Honduras. The mines are stated to be of various sizes, and signs reading "Prohibido Fumar" have been placed about the areas concerned. It is further stated that these men have one or more planes at their disposal in the area of Entre Rios, Tenedores, Quirigua, and Las Anates.

2. There is not much logic in this report, and the story appears highly unlikely. However, it is requested that GALLIGERIS be asked to investigate the matter and attempt to have one of the "mines" picked up if they exist.

3. SEMANTIC should be informed that such reports as this should be investigated as carefully as possible before they are submitted. It is assumed that he now has informants in various areas of Guatemala, and that he is in contact with them. Is this assumption correct? If so, we should be able to obtain fairly accurate intelligence concerning military and political activities throughout the country. Is GALLIGERIS obtaining intelligence regarding plans and activities of the Guatemalan government and Army which he is not giving us, or is he not interested in obtaining this information?

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