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TO : DIRECTOR  
FROM : LINCOLN  
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**CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM  
RELEASE IN FULL**

**2003**

LINC 1436 (IN 32252) 1646Z 30 MAR 54

ROUTINE  
PRECEDENCE

TO: ~~SGUAT~~ INFO: ~~DIR~~ CITE: ~~SLINC~~

RE: GUAT 267 (IN 31987)

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*Escobilla informed Reymara,  
27 March opposition strength  
threatened by new government  
pressure*

1. INFORM ESCOBILLA:

A. OPPOSITION STRENGTH NOT SERIOUSLY THREATENED. NEITHER HE NOR ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL SHOULD CONFUSE HIS COMPARTMENTED KNOWLEDGE WITH OVERALL PICTURE.

B. "BACKBONE OF RESISTANCE" NOW TOO STRONG TO BE BROKEN BY GOVT.

C. PERIODS LIKE PRESENT ARE TESTS ALL SUCCESSFUL RESISTANCE MOVEMENTS HAVE SURVIVED.

D. RE ANY WHO WISH TO WITHDRAW, MOVEMENT WILL BE BETTER OFF FOR KNOWING BEFORE DECISIVE HOUR WHO IS FAINT-HEARTED.

E. HE SHOULD KNOW CALLIGERIS WELL ENOUGH TO REFUTE, RATHER THAN RELAY, GOSSIP ABOUT "FAILURE TO ACT."

2. PASS ABOVE IN MANNER AND TONE CONSISTENT WITH LOCAL SECURITY.

END OF MESSAGE

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