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RE: A. GUAT 853 (IN 18391)

B. LINC 3921 (IN 18776)

1. SUBJECT HAS BITTERLY ATTACKED UNITED FRUIT AND U.S. PRESS AT TOURIST CONGRESS IN PANAMA.

2. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION WITH VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS INCLUDING MEMBER THIS MISSION DENOUNCED ODYOKE POLICY IN LATIN AMERICA AND STAUNCHLY DEFENDED PRESENT WSBURNT GOVT AND POLICIES. SUBJECT STATED:

A. ARBENZ GOVT STRONG ALTHOUGH ADMITS SPLIT IN MILITARY GROUP.

B. WSBURNT GOVT PREPARED TO LIQUIDATE ANY OPPOSITION GROUP. GOVT ALSO AWARE THAT PBPRIME SPONSORED GROUP IN HONDURAS UNDER LEADERSHIP CASTILLO ARMAS WILL ATTEMPT INVASION WSBURNT. INVASION FORCE WILL ENTER WSBURNT AT SEVERAL POINTS AND WILL BE ALLOWED TO PENETRATE UP TO 30 MILES AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE WIPED OUT.

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C. FEW DAYS AGO PLANE PILOTED BY U.S. FLIER IN PAY OF UNITED FRUIT DROPPED BOXES OF ARMS IN WSBURNT WHICH WERE TURNED OVER TO POLICE BY PEASANTS THAT AREA.

D. FOREIGN MINISTER DESIRES TO VISIT LATIN AMERICAN OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS BUT ARBENZ OPPOSED TO SUCH TRAVEL AT THIS TIME.

3. SUBJECT BITTERLY DENIES BEING A COMMIE BUT PROUD OF BEING A GUAT AND PART OF THE ARBENZ GROUP.

4. IN VIEW ABOVE DO NOT BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE TO APPROACH PRESENT, BUT WILL KEEP LINC INFORMED OF HIS ACTIVITIES AND PLANS.

END OF MESSAGE.

CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT:

MR. ESTERLINE, WH, NOTIFIED OF RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE AT 1800 18 JUN 54.

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