

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

ROUTING

DATE : 16 JUNE 1954

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TO : DIRECTOR

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM

FROM : GUATEMALA CITY

RELEASE IN FULL

2003

ACTION: WH (PBS) (1-3)

INFO : DCI (4), D/DCI (5), DD/P (L) (6), SA/PC/DCI (7), WH (8)

GUAT 863 (IN 18876)

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ROUTINE

PRECEDENCE

TO: SLINC

INFO: DIR

CITE: SGUAT

PBSUCCESS RYBAT

SHERWOOD SUGGESTIONS (4).

1. GROUP OF POLITICIANS BEING ORGANIZED FOR PURPOSE FORMING ANTI-COMMUNIST POLITICAL PARTY. GROUP COMPOSED OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES. PURPOSE: TO SAVE COUNTRY FROM COMMUNISTS. SOME MEMBERS ARMY BELONG GROUP. GROUP HAS ADOPTED "VIOLENT IN-CONFORMITY" WITH POLICIES ARBENZ REGIME.

2. MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT HAS REPORTED THAT AMONG DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION OF POLICE WERE RECORDED NAMES OF SPIES FOR OPPOSITION: THAT SPIES WERE ACTUALLY EMPLOYED IN IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT OFFICES INCLUDING NATIONAL ^{Gov. Palace} (PORTION MISSING - BEING SVCD).

3. THUS FAR IN CAPITAL, UNOFFICIAL ESTIMATES PLACE NUMBER OF ARRESTS AT 480. THOSE ARRESTED BEING KEPT MILITARY BASES. 200 NEW AGENTS EMPLOYED BY SECRET POLICE GUARDIA JUDICIAL. SOURCE SOFFIT B-3.

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