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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Project
FROM : Chief, FI []
SUBJECT : Guatemalan Exiles

1. The flight of Guatemalan oppositionists continues and practically all of those seeking asylum or safety through illegal border crossings are picking El Salvador. However, press reports indicate that many of these persons have stated that they plan to go on to Honduras, where they hope to join the opposition forces of Lt. Col. Carlos CASTILLO Armas.

2. The following persons took sanctuary in the Salvadoran Embassy and arrived in San Salvador on 12 June 1954, according to the press and GUAT 816:

[] - Prominent member of CALLIGERIS organization. Now in Honduras.

Juan Fermin VALLADARES de Aycinena - Lawyer and well-known oppositionist.

Capt. Rodolfo BLANCO Rodas - Reported to have been connected with military intelligence. Also a free-lance buyer in Guatemala.

Capt. Agustin CASTRO Monzon - []
[] Listed as Col.

[] Lic. Adan MANRIQUE Rios - Lawyer [] CALLIGERIS []
[] Former Minister to France and Germany.

Eduardo MELGAR - Civilian [] of Northeast sector in Guatemala City [] CALLIGERIS.

Rodolfo CASTILLO Armas - Member of CALLIGERIS organization.

Col. Miguel MENDOZA - Prominent member of opposition.

Carlos Alberto RECINOS Sagastume - CALLIGERIS [] operating in Honduran border area.

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Jose MORALES Torres - Stated to be news reporter. No record in files.

2nd Lt. Ernesto GOMEZ Saavedra - No record.

Flavio SEGURA Ruiz - No record.

Miguel MEDINA - No record.

Miguel Angel MEDINA hijo - No record.

Isabel ARTEAGA - No record.

Ramiro PADILLA - No record.

3. According to a local Santa Ana reporter of Diario Latino of San Salvador the following persons were in Santa Ana on 14 June:

Alberto and Jose SANDOVAL Rios - No record.

Salvador RIOS Monterrosa - No record.

Roly SANDOVAL Barrientos - No record.

It was stated that the above and others were brought across the border in a truck belonging to Alcides CASTILLO.

4. A Diario Latino report dated 14 June states that the following persons were arrested in San Cristobal on the frontier. The first four are stated to be residents of Salcaja.

Salomon HIDALGO - No record.

Samuel Jesus de LEON de la Cruz - No record.

Gaudencio SOTO - No record.

Francisco Osmundo de LEON - A Francisco LEON is listed as an operator of the station which broadcast the La Hora Anti-Communist program.

Carlos O. ZAMORA and son Gregorio - No record.

5. The following persons reportedly took asylum in the Salvadoran Embassy on 15 June. There is no record in our files on any of these names.

Enrique RECINOS

Francisco RIOS