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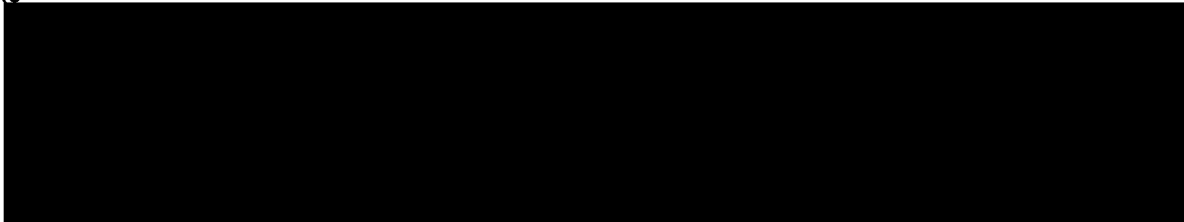
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1. The IV Congress of the Federacion de Organismos de Ayuda a la Republica Espanola (FOARE), which is scheduled for 26 through 29 November, will be held in Mexico City in the Telephone Workers Syndicate building.
2. According to source, the most important objectives of the convention are:
 - a. To exert sufficient pressure on the United Nations to make that organization break with Franco in all respects;
 - b. To give publicity to the persecution and crimes being committed in Spain at present;
 - c. To unite all non-Prieto Spaniards in prevailing upon Republican Premier Albornoz to appoint a Communist to his cabinet, possibly Dolores Ibarruri or Vicente Uribe. Actually, according to source, the principal intention here is to weaken Albornoz's power until he is finally ousted, and Negrin can step into power;
 - d. To reject categorically the intentions of Prieto to form a junta in place of the Republican Government, which would leave Franco the only governing power in Spain;
 - e. To render all possible help to the Guerrilleros in Spain and the Spaniards now residing in France. Also to have the UN exert pressure which would encourage all Spaniards to reunite under the FOARE. In connection with the latter point, source reports that the principal aim is to help Negrin gain control of anti-Franco activities.
3. Preliminary meetings in preparation for the convention were held by FOARE on 18 and 29 September, and by the Spanish Communist Party on 1 and 2 October. At the first FOARE meeting, ostensibly held to honor Jose Mancisidor after his recent trip to Europe, the following were among those present: Ivan Kumarian, Charge d'Affaires a.i. of the Soviet Embassy; Jose Welker, Second Secretary of the Polish Legation; Hinko Razpor, Charge d'Affaires of the Yugoslavian Embassy; Juan B. Gomez, of the Francisco Javier Mina Society; Ricardo Castellote and Dr. Enrique Arreguin of the FOARE; Bruno Pitha, Secretary of the Czechoslovakian Legation; Felipe M. Arconada of the Spanish Communist Party; Jose Daniel Crespo, Ambassador from Panama; and Jose Marroquin of the CTAL. After an address by Mancisidor, a telegram was sent to the UN requesting the overthrow of Franco, and one to Premier Albornoz supporting his government, but at the same time asking him to admit

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- Communists and Negrinistas in the Cabinet in order to attain stronger national unity.
4. The second FOARE meeting was called a "press conference," but was also for the purpose of making preparations for the IV Congress. Present at this meeting were Dr. Enrique Arreguin, Rosendo Gomez Lorenzo, and Rodolfo Dorantes of the Workers' University; Beatriz Badad of the Polish Press Office; Juan B. Gomez of the Francisco Javier Mina Society; Hinko Razpor of the Yugoslavian Embassy; Alberto Bremauntz of the Attorneys' Socialist Front; German List Arzubide of the SITAG; Felipe M. Arconada of the Spanish Communist Party; Santos Ruiz, aid to Minister of Government Hector Perez Martinez; and Joaquin Arderius Sanchez Fortuny of the Spanish Embassy.
 5. Invitations to attend the congress have been sent to all the syndicates of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Mexico, the Confederacion Unica de Trabajadores de Mexico, and the CTAL. Also invited are delegates from the syndicates of the Federacion Sindicatos Trabajadores del Estado, the Communist Party of Mexico, the Accion Socialista Unificada, the Sindicato Nacional de Mineros, and the Embassies of Russia, Spain, Yugoslavia, Poland, Panama, Guatemala, France, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, and Venezuela.

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