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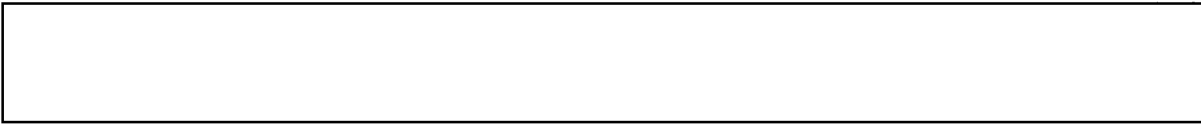
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1. Following the 7 November 1949 shooting affray provoked by Chilean Communists in the Plaza de Armas of Santiago and the consequent adoption of severe repressive measures by the government, the Communists, as a matter of precaution, have stopped holding cell meetings. Fear and uncertainty are allegedly increasing among the rank and file of the Party. It has also been reported that many of the Communist rank and file, as well as many of the minor Communist leaders, blame the Executive Committee of the Party for the hardships which many Communists and their families are now suffering.
2. At present there is no normal liaison between the Executive Committee, the regional committees, the local committees, and the cells. All such liaison is handled in a circuitous, unorthodox way through Communist Party members and even through Party sympathizers. Meanwhile the Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Chile has not given detailed instructions as to procedures to be adopted but has warned that every effort must be made to avoid giving the government further ammunition for use against the Party.
3. Though many of the militants have gone into hiding, the majority have temporarily abandoned normal Party activities and are concentrating on giving the impression of being normal, hard working citizens. However, the Communist members of the Comite de Solidaridad para la Defensa de las Libertades Publicas (CSDLP) have been given instructions to increase their activities for the benefit of the Party members now arrested or pursued by the police even if this means that they, in turn, may be arrested.
4. The Communists belonging to the Pro-Peace Committee, to the Federacion de Estudiantes de Chile (FECh) and to the Alliance of Intellectuals of Chile have been given instructions to continue their usual activities in these front or Communist-influenced organizations, but to be less conspicuous. In order to avoid possible government repression, the Communist members of the Pro-Peace Committee were instructed not to take an active part in the committee's meeting

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