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1. The Communist Party of Chile (PCCh) continues to work out its plans for action if the conflict in Korea develops into a third World War, and believes that its most effective means of combatting the United States will be to perfect the "chain reaction" type of strikes in vital industries. The leaders of the regional and local Committees are allegedly being prepared to initiate independent action without receiving instructions from the Central Committee should war break out. In case of a world war, or should the Chilean government endeavor to impose special war measures in the country, the Communist reaction is planned to be the immediate and automatic development of chain reaction strikes.
2. The PCCh is reportedly not in favor of attempting to declare a general strike. Chile is considered a "colonial" country and not an appropriate place to attempt a general strike which, the Communists believe, should be ordered only if its eventual victory is assured. The chain method was used successfully during the early days of Communism in the nitrate and copper industries of north Chile. Under this system, the railroad workers, for example, would strike, and they would be followed by the port workers, miners, factory workers, etc., in a series of short, successive strikes which would be effective in tying up the country's economy. The series of 24-hour strikes which were staged by white-collar workers associated with the Junta Nacional de Empleados de Chile (JUNACH) prior to the fall of the National Concentration government in February 1950 indicated to the Communists the effectiveness of chain reaction strikes.

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