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The following additional information has been provided on the National Congress of the Partisans of Peace held in Bogota from 2-3 September 1950.*

- 1. For several months previous to the Pro-Peace Congress, the Colombian Communists had mentioned a forthcoming National Congress of the Partisans of Peace in their propaganda. The request for official permission to hold the Congress was made by the 39 year old writer Baldomero Sanin Cano; by Enrique Perez Arbelaez, associate of leftists and Communists; by the one-time Colombian Cultural Attache in Moscow, Cosar Uribe Piedrahita; and by Jorge Regueros Peralta, Communist journalist, lawyer, and a leading member of the Partido Comunista de Colombia (PCC). Permission to hold the Congress was denied by the Payor of Bogota until Baldomero Sanin Cano appealed personally to President Laureano Gonez. Sanin Cano reportedly argued that a Congress to promote peace was consistent with the current trend of public opinion in Colombia, and promised that apart from the world-wide aspects of the poace campaign, the Congress would stress the internal pacification of Colombia. **
- 2. The Mational Committee of the Partisans of Peace was composed of the following:

Honorary President Daldonero Sanin Cano

Leftist writer and

philosophor.

President Luis Carlos Porez

Ex-Secretary of the

Instituto Colombo.

Sovietico

Vice-President

Gerardo Holina

Former rector of the National University,

presently residing in

Paris

Vico-President

Lucila Rubio de Laverdo

Member of the Communist women's Alianza Femenina

Secretary General

Jorge Regueros Peralta

Journalist, writer, and loader of the PCC

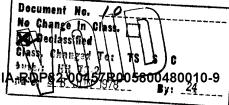
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Secretary of Organization

Carlos Canal Irwin

Communist

Treasurer

Mercedes Abadia

Leader of Alianza Femenina

Director of Organ of National Committee

Graciela Hendoza de Vanegas (unidentified)

National Confuttee

Members (Vocales)

Dario Samper

Leftist Liberal and Director

of the leftist newspaper

Jornac .

Elisa Iujica

Communist

Dr. Gustavo Gomez

Dr. Manuel Jose Gaitan

(unidentified)

Hernandez

Brother of Jorge Eliecer Gaita

lictilde Espinoza de Perez Loader of Alianza Femenina

Harco Ospina

Communist intellectual

Julio Abril

PCC representative to the Congress, Cundinamarca

Luis Vidales

Leftist journalist (Jornada)

Carlos Ariel Gutierroz

Communist sympathizer,

residing in lexico

Juan Francisco Ilujica

Political advisor, PCC

Contral Cormittee

Luis A. Galan

President of the Communist influenced Independent CTC

Augusto Duran

Communist leader

- 3. As of the end of August, the National Committee had published the first issue of a newspaper called Pag y Denocracia. Baldonero Sanin Cano financed the newspaper, which cost 300 pesos to publish. Source considered it probable that at least one more issue would appear, either on the opening day of the Congress, or soon after the Congress ended. Colombian Communists also took up a collection among themeselves and among sympathizers to assist in financing the Congress.***
- 4. The agenda of the Congress as announced in Paz y Democracia, was:
 - a. Analysis of the real danger of a new war;
 - b. How war plans affect the economy, development, and independence of Colombia;
 - Organization and orientation of the movement of the Partisans of Poace in Colombia;
 - d. Relations with the world novements of the Partisans of Peace;
 - $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\star}$ Election of the National Committee of the Partisans of Peace,

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<u>Comment.</u> Source speculated that President Gomez expected the Congress to be tied in with the Liberal Party and some of its leaders, which would ultimately react to the detriment of the Liberals.

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