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Memorandum for: Director, FBIS  
Through : Chief, Operations Group  
Subject : Monthly Report--Paraguay Bureau--February 1982

I. GENERAL

1. Land immediately adjacent to the American embassy grounds is being cleared in preparation for a three-story hotel. Construction is planned "for the near future." No other details are presently available.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. On 5 February, the Bolivian President made a much-awaited late night speech to the nation in which he made public the outline of more stringent economic measures he was about to introduce to help the struggling Bolivian economy. The bureau stayed open 2 hours past normal close of business to file the text of the speech.

2. President Reagan's speech to the OAS on the 24th concerning Caribbean Basin aid measures generated widespread comment in the bureau's coverage area, most of it favorable, with Moscow's commentary being the notable exception.

3. A detailed account of an important fuel adulteration scandal involving political figures in both Argentina and Paraguay appeared in an Argentine publication normally not available to the bureau or in Asuncion. By chance an embassy officer from Asuncion who happened to be visiting the embassy in Buenos Aires was able to obtain the Spanish text of the item and handcarry it back to the bureau. The event was virtually unpublicized in the Paraguayan press.

4. Receipts of Uruguayan newspapers appear to be regularizing after weeks of pressing the American embassy in Montevideo to sort out the problem with the COIT bus company which makes regular runs from Montevideo-Asuncion. The local COIT branch manager in Asuncion seems anxious enough to provide the service, but the bottleneck appears to be in Montevideo.

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## B. Communications

Installation, testing and training of embassy personnel on new communications equipment, begun in January, was completed at the end of the month. During most of the month the bureau's primary circuit was affected to some degree. For several weeks tapes of priority items were handcarried [ ] for filing over their single alternate channel during the dayshift or filed by telex. The bureau's primary circuit was restored full-time on the 25th of February much to the relief of all.

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## C. Lateral Services

1. The Charge d'Affaires at the American Embassy in Santiago, Chile wrote to suggest a more accurate rendering of a word in bureau Chilean copy and used the occasion to express appreciation for FBIS material. He stated that "Santiago continues to enjoy the increasingly rapid and comprehensive coverage by FBIS Asuncion." On the 18th, the bureau complied with a request from the Embassy in Chile for a refile of "an interesting piece" on the Beagle Channel and the Falkland Islands.

2. On the 9th, the bureau forwarded to Panama Bureau a copy of the voice recording of a Moscow commentary for one of its consumers. The commentary which the bureau had processed and wirefiled concerned outrage being expressed over U.S. military aid to El Salvador.

3. Several translation requests were made during the month by the Embassy political officer in Asuncion, the most interesting being an interview published in a local paper with the general secretary of one of Paraguay's opposition parties.

4. Headquarters requested a video report on the graduation ceremony at Paraguay's Center for Military Training of Students and Reserve Officers which was attended by Paraguayan high-ranking officials including the president.

## D. Technical

1. Further reception tests were conducted in Luque using Antelco's log periodic antenna. Along with stations in Paraguay bureau's coverage area, a survey of radio stations in Panama bureau's coverage area and southern African radio stations was conducted. Results have been forwarded to Washington.

2. Buenos Aires Latin in Spanish was either not received or

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received with heavy garbling at the bureau for 22 hours and 8 minutes during the month. The bulk of the downtime--17 hours and 55 minutes--was reportedly due to a distorted signal between the Antelco satellite station and N.Y.

3. Non Expendable Property Received: 1 EA Coupler, Antenna, Delta Electronics, Type SRNC 2x4 TNF2-50, S/N 5985-233-5773, \$2,195 ea.; 2 EA Gas Range, Hardwick, \$ 493.00 ea.; 1 EA Freezer, Sears, Kenmore, \$549.00 EA.; 1 EA Aluminum Sheet for Strengthening door, \$340.00 ea. Transferred Property: 1 EA H.P. Signal Generator Mdl. 8601 S/N 1848 AO 6888. Returned to headquarters for repairs.

4. Problems with the post emergency generator continue, with advice and parts being sought from the U.S. To avoid a complete blackout during power outages, bureau technicians have made a temporary hookup between our small 1.5 Kw portable generator and the remote system, four receivers/recorders and telex machine. All generator faults are being reported to FEB.

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Chief, FBIS Paraguay Bureau

CC: Panama Bureau

Attachment: Monthly Production Report

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PARAGUAY BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1982

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING THE MONTH:	154,860
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING THE MONTH:	41,230
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING THE MONTH:	664

	<u>BROAD- CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS</u>	<u>PUBLIC- ATIONS</u>
II. <u>INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:</u>	7,405	29,460	173.46
III. <u>OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:</u> (Publishable words per month)			

ARGENTINA

Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish	200		
Buenos Aires LATIN in Spanish		6,750	
Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish		13,680	
Buenos Aires NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS in Spanish		12,600	
Buenos Aires CLARIN in Spanish			1,790
Buenos Aires EL ECONOMISTA in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires GENTE in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires LINEA in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires A FONDO in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires HERALD in English			9,340
Buenos Aires LA NACION in Spanish			2,990

	<u>BROAD CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS AGENCIES</u>	<u>PUBLI- CATIONS</u>
Buenos Aires LA PRENSA in Spanish			2,020
Buenos Aires SOMOS in Spanish			1,050
Buenos Aires AMBITO FINANCIERO in Spanish			1,520
<u>BOLIVIA</u>			
La Paz Radio Illimani in Spanish	5,170		
La Paz Cadena Panamericana in Spanish	3,970		
La Paz Domestic in Spanish	1,730		
La Paz EL DIARIO in Spanish			1,460
La Paz Presencia in Spanish			2,880
<u>BRAZIL</u>			
Brasilia Domestic Service in Portuguese	4,380		
Porto Alegre Radio Guaiba in Portuguese	410		
Sao Paulo Radio Bandeirantes in Portuguese	2,930		
Rio de Janeiro BRAZIL HERALD in English			360
Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese			3,800
Rio de Janeiro LATIN AMERICA DAILY POST in English			2,910
Rio de Janeiro MANCHETE in Portuguese			0
Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese			5,570

	<u>BROAD-</u> <u>CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS</u> <u>AGENCIES</u>	<u>PUBLI-</u> <u>CATIONS</u>
Sao Paulo FOLHA DE SAO PAULC in Portuguese			2,280
Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			8,430
Sao Paulo VEJA in Portuguese			0
<u>CHILE</u>			
Santiago Chile Domestic Service in Spanish			5,370
Santiago Chile DIPLOMATIC INFORMATION SERVICE in Spanish		430	
Santiago Chile COSAS in Spanish			0
Santiago Chile EL MERCURIO in Spanish			3,920
Santiago Chile EL MERCURIO EDICION INTERNACIONAL in Spanish			0
Santiago Chile ERCILLA in Spanish			0
Santiago Chile HOY in Spanish			0
Santiago Chile LA TERCERA DE LA HORA in Spanish			260
Santiago Chile QUE PASA in Spanish			0
<u>CHINA</u>			
Beijing in Spanish to Latin America			0
<u>FRANCE</u>			
Paris AFP in Spanish		11,430	

	<u>BROAD- CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS AGENCIES</u>	<u>PUBLI- CATIONS</u>
<u>PARAGUAY</u>			
Asuncion Domestic Service in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Radio Primero de Marzo in Spanish	30		
Asuncion Television Cerro Cora in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Teledifusora Paraguaya Television in Spanish	1,020		
Asuncion ABC COLOR in Spanish			2,430
Asuncion HOY in Spanish			110
Asuncion LA TRIBUNA in Spanish			210
Asuncion PATRIA in Spanish			660
Asuncion SENDERO in Spanish			0
Asuncion ULTIMA HORA in Spanish			1,470
Asuncion LA REPUBLICA in Spanish			0
<u>PERU</u>			
Lima Domestic Service in Spanish	1,510		
Tacna Radio Tacna in Spanish	180		
Lima CARETAS in Spanish			0
Lima EL COMERCIO in Spanish			3,490
Lima EXPRESO in Spanish			2,750

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Lima MARKA in Spanish			0
Lima OIGA in Spanish			5,870
<u>UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS</u>			
Moscow Radio Peace and Progress in Spanish to Latin America	1,950		
Moscow in Spanish to Latin America	7,220		
Moscow in Spanish to Chile	130		
Moscow in Spanish to Cuba	810		
Moscow in Portuguese to Brazil	2,190		
<u>URUGUAY</u>			
Montevideo Radio EL ESPECTADOR NETWORK in Spanish	900		
Montevideo EL DIA in Spanish			60
Montevideo OPINAR in Spanish			0