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Paraguay Bureau

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FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE
PARAGUAY BUREAU
ASUNCION, PARAGUAY

5408-88
1 June 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report -- Paraguay Bureau --
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I. GENERAL

1. Pope John Paul II made a 12-day visit to South America beginning on the 7th. He visited Uruguay, Bolivia, Peru, and Paraguay, his most sensitive stop, in view of rumors that he would denounce human rights violations or that his presence would spark antigovernment demonstrations. Even before the pontiff's arrival, tension mounted when the government announced the suspension of his meeting with the "Builders of Society," an ad-hoc group of representatives of various sectors weighted toward the opposition. When a member of the papal entourage expressed astonishment at the suspension, speculation mounted that the visit to Paraguay might even be cancelled. The government quickly backed down and said it would allow the meeting. Tight security measures were evident in Asuncion during the 16-18 May visit to Paraguay, and businesses, schools, and practically every other establishment in town -- except FBIS -- were closed. Although there were some minor demonstrations and a few arrests during the visit, there was no violence reported.

Embassy political officers Jack Martin and Garland Dennett, who had attended the pope's meeting with the "Builders of Society," asked to view the Bureau's videotape of the meeting. They also practiced a little Southern Cone "kremlinology" by observing -- on FBIS videotape -- the seating arrangements of Paraguayan Government officials at a meeting the pope held at Government House. The Bureau supplied USIS with copies of videotaped ceremonies in which the pope participated.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

On the 1st the Bureau operated a special Sunday day shift to cover a speech by Argentine President Raul Alfonsin opening that

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country's Congress. The Bureau also covered a speech that day by Chilean President Augusto Pinochet.

B. Communications

The Bureau received BACH 2.1 software and documentation early in the month. On the 10th it was installed and the Bureau began using the new FBIS message format without a hitch.

C. Technical

Bureau technicians moved all of the equipment and furniture for the new TV monitoring and cruising rooms. They also did the necessary trench work and wiring, all with minimal disruption of Bureau operations.

D. Cruising

1. At the request of London Bureau, the Bureau monitored Radio Libertad Cubana and Radio Felipe de la Cruz, an anti-Castro station transmitting from "somewhere in the Caribbean." Although the radio's announced frequencies were 7050 and 7080 KHz, only the 7050-kHz frequency was heard on 7048 KHz and 7051 KHz. The 7080 frequency was not heard.

2. The cruising monitor checked La Paz Radio Fides in preparation for putting it on experimental coverage.

3. Moscow International Service, Radio Peace and Progress, and Radio Magallanes were cruised in order to make secondary frequency adjustments.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

Building and Grounds

A major rearrangement of facilities is under way at the Bureau in order to accommodate the increased coverage made possible by the recent acquisition of a second ROSET antenna. Television monitoring now takes place in what was the cruising monitor's room. Two monitoring positions and seven TV monitors have been moved into this room, which still serves as the Bureau library. More positions can be added as needed. Cruising now takes place in the erstwhile computer room. The IBM PC and IBM PC-XT from the old computer room will be moved into the previous television monitoring area.

IV. VISITS

1. On the 6th Pat Mayer, a political officer at the American Embassy in Brasilia, visited the Bureau and was briefed by the Bureau Chief.

2. Washington analysts visited the Bureau on the 24th for a tour and briefing.

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3. New TCU officer received an orientation briefing on the 17th.

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4. State Department official Robert Hopper, deputy chief of ARA/SC, visited the Bureau on 26 May and was briefed by the Bureau Chief.

V. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

At the Bureau Chief's request, Embassy nurse Maria Fernandez this month began teaching CPR to all Bureau employees as part of a program to upgrade the safety and emergency capabilities of Bureau personnel.

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Chief, FBIS Paraguay Bureau

Attached: Monthly Production Report

CC: Panama Bureau
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Asuncion Bureau Production Report for MAY 1988

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	198845
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	73610
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	612

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: (minutes or issues per week)	9580.00 min.	42270.00 min.	171.50 issues

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
(publishable words per month)

ARGENTINA

Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish	2770		
Buenos Aires Argentina Televisora Color Network in Spanish	3040		
Buenos Aires DYN in Spanish		5290	
Buenos Aires NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS in Spanish		18870	
Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish		12810	
Buenos Aires BUENOS AIRES HERALD in English			3250
Buenos Aires CLARIN in Spanish			1550
Buenos Aires LA NACION in Spanish			2330
Buenos Aires LA PRENSA in Spanish			220

BOLIVIA

La Paz La Red Panamericana in Spanish	5600		
La Paz Radio Illimani in Spanish	100		
La Paz El Diario in Spanish			700
La Paz PRESENCIA in Spanish			1780

BRAZIL

Brasilia Domestic Service in Portuguese	4340		
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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Brasilia Radio Nacional da Amazonia Network in Portuguese	5700		
Rio de Janeiro Rede Globo Television in Portuguese	5040		
Rio de Janeiro Rede Manchete TV in Portuguese	2260		
Brasilia EBN in Portuguese		17885	
Rio de Janeiro AJB in Portuguese		0	
Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese			4030
Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese			4810
Sao Paulo FOLHA DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			5000
Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			2970
Sao Paulo VEJA in Portuguese			0
CHILE			
Santiago Domestic Service in Spanish	17130		
Santiago Radio Chilena Network in Spanish	6910		
Santiago Radio Portales Network in Spanish	0		
Santiago Television Nacional de Chile Network in Spanish	2440		
Santiago Universidad de Chile Television in Spanish	0		
Santiago ANALISIS in Spanish			2940
Santiago APSI in Spanish			0
Santiago CAUCE in Spanish			0
Santiago COSAS in Spanish			0
Santiago EL MERCURIO in Spanish			5480
Santiago FORTIN MAPOCHO in Spanish			0
Santiago HOY in Spanish			100

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Santiago LA SEGUNDA in Spanish			400
Santiago LA TERCERA DE LA HORA in Spanish			110
CHINA			
Beijing in Spanish to Latin America	0		
PARAGUAY			
Asuncion Domestic Service in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Radio Caritas in Spanish	870		
Asuncion Radio Primero de Marzo in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Cerro Cora Sistema Nacional de Television in Spanish	230		
Asuncion RPC Television Network in Spanish	2100		
Asuncion EL DIARIO in Spanish			2600
Asuncion HOY in Spanish			3130
Asuncion LA TARDE in Spanish			500
Asuncion PATRIA in Spanish			1390
Asuncion SENDERO in Spanish			700
Asuncion ULTIMA HORA in Spanish			3370
PERU			
Lima America Television in Spanish	0		
Lima Andina Television in Spanish	0		
Lima Domestic Service in Spanish	4760		
Lima Latinoamericana Television in Spanish	0		
Lima Panamericana Television Network in Spanish	0		
Lima RBC Television in Spanish	0		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Lima Radio Star in Spanish	0		
Lima Radioprogramas del Peru in Spanish	0		
Lima Television Peruana in Spanish	7400		
Lima EL COMERCIO in Spanish			360
Lima EXPRESO Spanish			180
Lima LA REPUBLICA in Spanish			0
SPAIN			
Madrid EFE in Spanish		19310	
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS			
Moscow Radio Magallanes in Spanish	0		
Moscow in Portuguese to Brazil	0		
Moscow in Spanish to Chile	2080		
URUGUAY			
Montevideo Radio Carve in Spanish	1720		
Montevideo Radio El Espectador in Spanish	290		
Montevideo EL DIA in Spanish			1090
Montevideo EL PAIS in Spanish			0
Montevideo LA DEMOCRACIA in Spanish			910
Montevideo LA HORA in Spanish			0

WORDAGE FILED FROM ROSET SOURCES

Brasilia EBN in Portuguese	17,885
Rio de Janeiro AJB in Portuguese	0
Brasilia Radio Nacional da Amazonia Network in Portuguese	5,700
Brasilia Domestic Service in Portuguese	4,340
Rio de Janeiro Rede Globo Television in Portuguese	5,040
Rio de Janeiro Rede Manchete Television in Portuguese	2,260
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TOTAL	35,225