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## 1. RE SERIOUS SITUATION CENTRAL AMERICA, FOLLOWING IS KUGOWN LINE:

A. IRON CURTAIN ARMS SHIPMENT ILLUSTRATES CLOSENESS GUAT/USSR.

B. GUAT COMMIES HAVE INTERVENED INTERNAL AFFAIRS NICARAGUA THROUGH

DISSEMINATION COMMIE PROPAGANDA AND IN HONDURAS THROUGH SENDING  
AGENTS TO CREATE AND SUSTAIN PRESENT STRIKE SITUATION. INTER-  
NATIONAL COMMIE LABOR FRONT, WFTU, HAS SENT NOTE SOLIDARITY AND  
BACKING.C. ATTEMPTED SABOTAGE ARMS TRAIN IN CASTANEDA, GUAT, WAS WORK GUA-  
TEMALAN RESISTANCE PATRIOTS, NOT "FOREIGN SABOTEURS", AS GUAT  
GOVERNMENT STATED.

## 2. POSSIBLE KUGOWN SPECULATIONS RE ABOVE:

A. ARMS RUMORED GIFT OF USSR - - - POSSIBLE DISTRIBUTION ARMS COMMIE  
"PEOPLE'S MILITIA" EVENTUAL COMPLETE TAKE-OVER GUATEMALA - - -  
SHIPMENT INCLUDED TANKS, PLANES, OTHER AGGRESSIVE WEAPONS USE  
INTIMIDATION NEIGHBOR COUNTRIES.

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B. SOV/SATS MAY BE PROVIDING MONETARY ASSISTANCE STRIKING WORKERS \* - -

STRIKE FIRST STEP ATTEMPT GUAT COMMIE COUP IN HONDURAS?

C. SABOTAGE ATTEMPT ONLY FIRST "BATTLE" STOP GUAT COMMIE MARCH TO

SUBJUGATE GUATEMALA - - - GUAT RESISTANCE GROUPS HAVE SUFFERED TORTURE, IMPRISONMENT, SUPPRESSION OF INDIVIDUAL LIBERTIES AND NEED

SYMPATHY AND SUPPORT ALL FREE PEOPLES.

3. EXPLOIT AS INDICATED: 1B - 2B; - AS SECURELY FEASIBLE;

AS REQUESTED DIR 01833 (OUT 97041); 1C AND 2C; - 1A and 2A;

ANY ABOVE AS SUGGESTED DIR 01533 (OUT 96510); 1B AND 2B; and

ANY ABOVE WHICH FEASIBLE FOR RADIO ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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