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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM : [] J. WH/IV/PW

SUBJECT: Conversation Between WH/PW and []

1. WH/PW stated that there is a paucity of newspaper materials re Communism in Guatemala emanating from within Nicaragua and that it is hoped that said situation can be remedied. [] stated that he has an additional body now and that he will be used to scan newspapers for editorials, articles or cartoons re Communism in Guatemala. These clips will be sent to Headquarters via KMFORGET for reproduction and distribution throughout the area.

2. WH/PW queried [] if [] were able to place special articles, cartoons, etc. in the local press. [] stated that this sort of operation should not be very difficult. I informed [] that CS Guatemala has sent a list of names and addresses of Guat papers carrying anti-Communist material to [] and that [] through another embassy employee or a cut-out, can overtly order certain Guat newspapers.

- a. Reprinting of articles can be done easily through any local newspaper.
- b. Original articles, etc. can be placed in any of Somozas newspapers.
- c. Black materials can be placed in Somozas' papers providing their authenticity is not dubious.

3. [] stated that a report can be found in Headquarters which was written by the Nicaraguan Ambassador to Guatemala to Pres. Somoza and that such a document would be of possible use in creating "black" materials for a proposed "Communist Cell".

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