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Comments: Col. CASTILLO Armas was anxious that the information in this report not be divulged to anyone. This report is not being shown to the Embassy, and it is requested that Headquarters not disseminate it at this time. The Embassy will be given this information if and when it should become necessary.

Escalator informed the writer about 1 October 1950 that the G-2 was interested in employing  He obtained this information from  the second man in G-2.

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Subject: Plans of Col. Carlos CASTILLO  
Armas to Overthrow Guatemalan  
Government

Report No: [ ]1083

Date of Information: 31 October 1950

Place Acquired: Guatemala City

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Paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 omitted.

4. He told source in greatest confidence that the number one person upon whom he will rely in his revolt is [ ]

[ ] He stated that ARBENZ thinks that [ ] who will  
[ ] that he, CASTILLO Armas, has worked out secret arrangements with him  
whereby he will revolt and lead the whole Civil Guard with CASTILLO Armas.  
Besides this, CASTILLO Armas said he can count upon one zone commander and  
various factions of the larger military units.

5. While he was in jail in August and September of 1949, he made the  
acquaintance of [ ] who was [ ] (the  
predecessor of [ ] under UBIGG. CASTILLO Armas states that  
[ ] was a very efficient man and had run his department with honesty.  
Immediately following the revolution of 20 October 1944 [ ] was captured  
and almost executed. He was kept in the penitentiary until early 1950. Since  
he was released, he has been in secret touch with CASTILLO Armas. On or about  
12 October 1950 he told CASTILLO Armas that he had been contacted by the  
Guatemalan Army G-2 and offered the position at \$500 per month as chief of  
investigations of that organization. [ ] asked CASTILLO Armas what he  
should do. He stated that his natural impulse was to refuse the offer since  
he could hardly stomach working for the AREVALO government. CASTILLO Armas  
told [ ] that he should take the job and that this would offer him the  
opportunity to do some work to help rid the country of the AREVALO regime or  
the ARBENZ regime which would probably succeed him. [ ] agreed that he  
would probably take the job, in which case CASTILLO Armas states that he should  
be well informed of all information the government will have about conspira-  
torial activities. CASTILLO Armas mentioned the fact that the G-2 was expanding  
its personnel and activities.

Paragraph 6 omitted.

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