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CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM
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2003

TO: WH/Guatemala (PB HISTORY)

FROM: [] DC/STC/ICB (Staff CP OPS Officer for WH)

SUBJECT: (A) GENERAL: PB HISTORY

(B) SPECIFIC: Negatives and Prints of Target Premises
in Guatemala City, illustrating documents
available and physical disorder thereof

1. Purpose: To transmit the cited negatives and prints for possible use by WH/Guatemala.

2. Background: In order to illustrate to interested persons at Headquarters the volume and condition of some of the documents available for examination in Guatemala City, C & DC/STC/ICB arranged (in Guatemala City, with the cooperation of Mr. [] to have photographs taken inside the offices of CP Guatemala (P.G.T.), the CGTG, the CNCG, etc. The photographs were taken during the 2nd week of July 1954 by a friendly contact in the office of the Air Attache, American Embassy, Guatemala.

3. The same contact kindly developed the first six packs (out of 10), and made one set of prints from those packs. [] identified each of those prints with a notation on the back.

4. With reference to packs 7 through 10, [] typed two sheets of identifying data for each print.

5. Attached are:

a. A folder entitled "Guatemala (Negatives and Prints of Premises)," containing:

(1) Negatives from the ten packs (in ten envelopes).

(Note: One of the Negatives of Arbenz Communist books - Pack #8 - was given by C/RQM/OIS to USIA in July 1954. Two prints of these books are also enclosed, they were made at Headquarters.)

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- (2) The set of prints (made in Guatemala) from the first six packs, and annotated by [], per paragraph 2, above.
- (3) [] identification of packs 7 through 10.
- (4) Four sets of prints (made at Headquarters) from the ten packs of negatives.

6. These pictures have been shown to interested persons at Headquarters. If WH/Guatemala does not need the above items, it is suggested that they be forwarded to RI for the PB HISTORY file.

Attachment: (As itemized above)

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