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FROM: CHIEF, WESTERN HEMISPHERE DIVISION

NO.

DATE **NOV 24 1952**

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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE				
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~~CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM~~

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24 November 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Visit of Chief, Western Hemisphere Division
to []

1. This is report of my activities [] from 25 to 31
October and 15 to 18 November 1952.

2. Primary purpose of visit was the preparation of a coordin-
ated plan of action in Central American countries in case of an anti-
Communist revolutionary movement in Guatemala.

a. Objectives were three:

- (1) Maximum psychological warfare support for the Guatemalan
anti-Communist movement.
- (2) Measures to meet and counteract any accusations of U.S.
assistance to the Guatemalan revolutionary group.
- (3) PW support throughout Central America of any possible
activity of RUFUS.

b. Present at conferences held on 27, 28, 29 and 30 October
were: Chief, Western Hemisphere Division; []

c. A PW plan for action inside Guatemala, to start at D-30,
was revised to include recommendations made by RUFUS to SEEKFORD.
Plan would be executed by RUFUS. Plan attached - Tab A.

d. PW plan was prepared for []

Tab B.

[] Plan attached -

3. At DTROBALO an explosive situation was brought to light by an
incident occurring 14 October of which Mr. Tharp had completed a
thorough investigation the night before my arrival. A further ques-
tioning of key personnel at DTROBALO on 25, 26 and 27 October fully
confirmed Mr. Tharp's findings and recommendations. Following action
was taken:

- a. Commanding Officer of DTROBALO relieved and returned to
Washington for reassignment.

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b. Deputy Commanding Officer of DTROBALO relieved and returned to Washington for release to Air Force.

c. Post psychoanalyst reprimanded and warned.

d. A junior staff officer returned to Washington for release.

e. Essential security measures taken to prevent escape of two sour agents and their intermingling with straight defectors who are being prepared for final settlement in South America.

f. Temporary appointment of [] Division Inspector, as Commanding Officer, DTROBALO. He arrived [] and assumed command 2 November 1952. His permanent assignment as Commanding Officer is under consideration.

g. Appointment of [] as Deputy CO. He is scheduled to report for duty 7 December 1952.

h. Detailed report of 29 October by CWH to DD/P now under review.

4. On my return [] 15 November, it was found that [] had acted with such promptness, efficiency and ability at DTROBALO that morale and discipline had been completely restored and the danger of incidents reduced to a minimum. Calls were made on 17 November on the following high officials in order to sense the status of our relationships:

[]

Although opportunity was given for adverse criticism and comment, [] expressed their unanimous opinion when he said that his relationship with CIA was excellent. Much credit was given Mr. Tharp for an outstanding performance. There was no indication that the difficulties at DTROBALO had reached outside ears.

WH/JCK/pw

Distribution:

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cc: DDCI

DD/P

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G. C. KING
CWH

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PW PLAN FOR ACTION INSIDE GUATEMALA

Following plan has been approved by RUFUS. Material will be printed in Guatemala. All facilities are ready for immediate use. Estimated cost of production - \$5,000. RUFUS is creating PW team and arranging for covert dissemination of the 30-day plan PW materials.

ANTI-COMMUNIST

D-30

A poster showing Stalin trampling on the flag and Constitution of Guatemala.

D-29

The text of article 32 and a promise of its complete fulfillment.

D-28

Posters with patriotic and religious themes.

D-27

An attack on the Communists by press, radio and leaflets.

D-26

An appeal to all the Christians to unite in a fight against Communism, and an appeal directed to the members of other religious sects.

D-25

By means of pamphlets, list the principal Communists accused of being traitors to their Country and their religion.

COMMUNIST

D-30

Circulate leaflets, signed by any Communist cell in Guatemala, which favor a national religion. These should be distributed in a semi-anonymous manner and in a small quantity.

D-27

A Communist alert calling together all their followers for the defense of "the revolution" against an armed movement planned by the reactionaries for the night of 12 November.

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ANTI-COMMUNIST

D-24

Continue with the same subjects as those mentioned for the 4th, 5th and 6th days.

COMMUNIST

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Accuse the Christians of plotting against the government and accuse the clergymen of participating in national politics demanding a revision of the permissions granted to the nuns and jesuits and prohibiting the wearing of their robes on the streets.

D-23

Publication of the first draft of the minutes of a Communist session, thus:

1. Establishment of a National Church.
2. Colonization of new lands as a means of political domination - and the dissociation of family and social ties necessary for the complete establishment of a Communist regime.
3. The official establishment of a party police to collaborate in the support of the regime.
4. A study of the possibility of acquiring a number of Russian teachers, for the schools.
5. The establishment of the Russian language as a means of communication, both inside and outside of the Party.
6. Elimination of the clergymen who oppose the realization of a National Church.
7. Collection of funds among the affiliates and sympathizers of the Party for the erection of a monument to the greatest leaders of the workers of the world.
8. A study for the change in the patriotic symbols - (Flag, National anthem and Coat of Arms)
9. To request a law for urban reform, with an equal distribution of dwellings.
10. Free discussion.
11. Close of session.

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D-22

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A poster depicting Russian dominance over the Guatemalan government.

Poster denying the veracity of the meeting and accusing the Catholics of forgery, and of plotting against the government of Col. Arbenz, and, in addition, presenting Catholicism as anti-Nationalist and idolatrous.

D-21

Answer to the anti-religious poster and a request for the union of all the Christians in a fight against Communism.

D-20

A petition to the people that they show their repudiation of Communism and their loyalty to their religion and Country by placing posters in their homes and businesses. (Poster: WE ARE ANTI-COMMUNISTS FOR GOD AND FOR OUR COUNTRY)

D-19

The placing and dissemination of anti-Communist posters.

D-18

A poster depicting the tortures that the Communists have used in Guatemala.

D-17

Point out, by means of pamphlets, the principal Communists of Guatemala and the positions that they occupy in the government.

D-16

D-16

Nationalist and anti-Communist propaganda.

A general appeal to the proletariat for

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the defense of the October revolution, endangered by the projects of the reactionaries, who, plotting with some of the unrecognized officials and members of the Party within the country will try to undermine the constitutional order on the morning of the 22 of November.

D-15

D-15

Mockery of the fears of the Communists.

Posters blaming the opposition for national restlessness, accusing the pardoned politicians of having supported subversive organizations, "Biting the hand that gave them the bread of freedom", asking the government for action against those evil patriots who handicap the great social purposes of the Revolution.

D-14

A defense of the pardoned members and a pamphlet denying the intention to overthrow the government by force; ridiculing the fear of the Communists.

D-13

A notice on the creation of a splinter-group of Communists who refused to be guided by Russia and wanted a National Communist Party - resembling the APRA.

D-12

D-12

Nationalist propaganda ridiculing the idea of erecting a statue to the great leaders of the workers of the world.

A furious denial of any speculation concerning the dissension within the Communist ranks and re-affirming their strength, preparation and unity to be used against the enemies of the Revolution.

D-11

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National and anti-Communist propaganda, showing the crimes committed by the Communists.

A petition to the people so that with their assistance, the Communist Party

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may acquire a greater number of representatives in Congress and may comply with what was suggested by their followers during the campaigns and presidencies of Dr. Arevalo and Col. Arbenz.

D-10

Petition so that the Communists will not be able to enter nor remain in the National Congress.

D-9

Petition for the local excommunication of Communists.

D-8

Declare a "boycott" of all Communists.

D-7

Lists of Communists to be distributed by means of leaflets.

D-6

Denounce the Terrorist Plan of the Communists (a Bogotazo) ready to be executed.

D-5

An appeal to the surrounding people to integrate the Committees of Defense in their districts.

D-5

An enraged denial of the Terrorist Plan and an accusation attacking the clergy and the opposition - accusing them of conspiring with high military officials for the overthrow of the government - for this reason the President is asked to fill the positions of greatest responsibility with military men of known loyalty to the October cause.

D-4

An offer made by the Committee of

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the Districts to the authorities to maintain order in any circumstances.

D-3

Accusing the Communist Party of possessing arms and explosives and a claim of a tour of inspection - pointing out one of the deposits.

D-2

A petition to the people asking them to refrain from going out of their homes at night except for worthy reasons. (Sickness and Work).

D-2

A petition to the members of the Party to remain alert for an opposition attack on the government with their phoney Committees of Defense, offering the government their unconditional aid, adding that although many of them are disarmed, they will be ready to defend themselves in the districts when the moment is designated.

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PW PLAN []

[] IN SUPPORT OF ANY POSSIBLE ACTIVITY OF RUFUS

A. [] will support any future RUFUS action with the following themes:

1. RUFUS forces represent a popular uprising;
2. RUFUS forces are acting in defense of the Guatemalan Constitution;
3. The Guatemalan Communists were plotting complete subjugation of Guatemala;
4. Guatemalan government arms have been sent by the Soviet orbit countries;
5. Guatemalan government is only a tool of the USSR;
6. Participation of the other Central American Republics in the uprising indicate a higher prestige and prosperity for Guatemala under RUFUS;
7. Guatemalan army atrocity stories and pictures; and
8. Any material on RUFUS and supporters and their aims.

B. [] will initiate the following actions if feasible:

1. The [] populace will be ordered to arrest any fleeing Guatemalan Communist agents, who, finding themselves unable to operate any longer in Guatemala, are attempting to re-establish themselves in neighbor countries; and
2. In the event that Arbenz escapes to [] a press release will be sent to the [] newspapers, allegedly from Arbenz, stating that he was held a prisoner by the Communists. Newspapers will check this story. He will have to accept or deny his Communist affiliations. Either way there is a story. Any further action against Arbenz will depend on his own attitude.

C. [] will be responsible for the following actions:

1. Alert all [] if any high Guatemalan official hides out in the Soviet Embassy []

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2. Attempt to prevent important statements from [] which would support the present Guatemalan government; and
3. Immediately expand the circulation of the Guatemalan anti-Communist news bulletin [] so that it will be familiar to all important Latin American newspapers.

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