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THE EQUIPMENT WAS <sup>APPARENTLY</sup> DESTINED FOR THE VENEZUELAN COMMUNIST PARAMILITARY ARM, THE ARMED FORCES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION.

THE CACHE WAS FOUND ON 1 NOV ON A BEACH IN FALCON STATE, SCENE OF THE MOST ACTIVE GUERRILLA EFFORT. THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT ASSURES THAT THE WEAPONS WERE SENT FROM CUBA BY SEA. THIS IS NOT CONFIRMED, BUT CUBAN FISHING VESSELS WERE REPORTEDLY USED TO TRANSPORT WEAPONS TO SOUTH AMERICA DURING THE LATTER PART OF OCT.

FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS THE CASTRO REGIME HAS TRIED TO AVOID ACTIONS THAT WOULD CLEARLY IMPLICATE IT IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF LATIN AMERICAN SUBVERSIVES. THIS EXCEPTION SEEMS TO DEMONSTRATE EITHER THE HIGH DEGREE OF URGENCY WHICH CASTRO NOW GIVES TO HIS SUBVERSIVE EFFORT, OR HIS ESTIMATE THAT THE VENEZUELAN SITUATION NOW IS RIPE FOR A FINAL OFFENSIVE.

2. BRAZIL RECENT STATEMENTS BY PRESIDENT GOULART AND OTHER PROMINENT POLITICIANS ARE KEEPING POLITICAL TENSIONS HIGH.

COMMENTS BY GOULART TO THE EFFECT THAT "SOCIAL DISASTER" MAY BE IMPENDING IF MEASURES ARE NOT ENACTED HAVE DRAWN SHARP CRITICISM

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FROM SEVERAL SOURCES... THEY HAVE ALSO RE-  
CENTLY ENCOURAGED... BY RIGHTIST ELEMENTS.

ADDITION TO THE REPORT ARE REPORTS THAT STRAINS ARE INCREASING  
ALONG THE MILITARY AS A RESULT OF THE RECENT ARREST OF AN ARMY OFFICER  
WHO LAST MONTH RECEIVED AN ORDER TO ARREST GOVERNOR CARLOS LACERDA.  
THIS SITUATION HAS WIDENED THE POLITICAL RIFT IN THE ARMY BETWEEN  
OFFICERS AND SERGEANTS

3. ~~BOLIVIA-CHINA~~ ~~BOLIVIA-ALBA~~ MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF BOLIVIA

WHO WOULD BE SIMILAR TO THOSE OF PEIPING MET ON 15 NOV IN  
LA ME TO ORGANIZE A BOLIVIAN-CHINESE FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY.

FORMATION OF THIS  
THE FOUNDATION OF THIS SOCIETY IS THE FIRST PUBLIC INDICATION  
THAT A PRO-CHINESE <sup>FACTION</sup> EXISTS WITHIN THE PCB. IT HAS BEEN PCB  
POLICY THAT ANY <sup>MEMBER</sup> WHO PUBLICLY DISPLAYED PRO-CHINESE SYMPATHIES  
WOULD BE EXPELLED FROM THE PARTY AS A RESULT THE PARTY'S SCHEDULED  
MID-DEC NATIONAL CONGRESS COULD DEVELOP  
MID-DEC NATIONAL CONGRESS COULD DEVELOP INTO A SERIOUS INTRAPARTY  
STRUGGLE, PARTICULARLY IF THE PRO  
THEIR ACTIVISTS  
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CHINESE TACTICS OF RETALIATION BY VIOLENCE, THEY ARE LIKELY TO HAVE ONLY A SUPERFICIAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE MORE COMPLEX IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES INVOLVED IN THE SINO-SOVIET DISPUTE. MOREOVER, THE ACTIVIST WING PROBABLY IS CHALLENGING THE PARTY'S LEADERSHIP LARGELY ON PERSONAL GROUNDS. FOR EXAMPLE, MARIO MONTE, THE PARTY FIRST SECRETARY, HAS ALIENATED MANY PCB STALWARTS BECAUSE OF HIS ALLEGED USE OF PARTY FUNDS FOR PERSONAL PURPOSES.

4. <sup>COMMUNIST SCHOOL</sup> ~~COMMUNIST SCHOOL~~: THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS (IUS), A <sup>FRONT GROUP</sup> ~~FRONT GROUP~~, IS PLANNING TO ESTABLISH A SCHOOL FOR THE TRAINING OF COMMUNIST UNIVERSITY LEADERS. THE SCHOOL REPORTEDLY WILL BE LOCATED IN EITHER BRAZIL OR CHILE.

THE SCHOOL WOULD TRAIN YOUNG COMMUNISTS IN THE TECHNIQUES OF STUDENT LEADERSHIP SO THAT THEY WILL BE BETTER ABLE TO COUNTER THE GROWTH OF <sup>SOCIAL CHRISTIAN</sup> SOCIAL CHRISTIAN (SC) MOVEMENTS IN THE UNIVERSITIES. IUS OFFICIALS <sup>BELIEVE THE</sup> BELIEVE THE SC UNIVERSITY TRAINING SCHOOLS IN WEST GERMANY AND LATIN AMERICA ARE VERY SUCCESSFUL, AND THAT THE COMMUNISTS COULD PROFIT BY ADOPTING THEIR METHODS.

TRAINING <sup>AT THE PROPOSED</sup> AT THE PROPOSED SCHOOL WOULD BE FOR APPROXIMATELY

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STUDENTS WHO HAD COMPLETED ONE YEAR OF UNIVERSITY STUDIES WOULD BE SELECTED IN ORDER TO ALLOW THEM TO HAVE APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS OF RESEARCH WORK BEFORE THEIR RETURN TO THEIR RESPECTIVE UNIVERSITIES. IN BOLIVIA THE COMMUNIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION REPORTEDLY IS PLANNING TO SET UP A NATIONAL CENTER FOR THE TRAINING OF UNIVERSITY LEADERS FROM WHICH CANDIDATES WILL BE SELECTED TO ATTEND THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL.

5. **ECUADOR** THE GOVERNING MILITARY JUNTA HAS APPARENTLY TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD A RETURN TO CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT. THE JUNTA HAS GIVEN APPROVAL TO THE TWO LARGEST POLITICAL PARTIES, THE CONSERVATIVES AND THE RADICAL LIBERALS TO HOLD NATIONAL CONVENTIONS. ON THE OTHER HAND THE IMPORTANT SOCIALIST PARTY HAS SO FAR BEEN IGNORED. ALTHOUGH THE DIRECTOR RECENTLY CALLED FOR PROMPT RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALISM.

6. **CHILE** BEVELL AND HADSOBOW HAVE NAMED A CORRESPONDENT TO SERVE IN SANTIAGO ACCORDING TO A VISITING SOVIET JOURNALIST WHO CLAIMS HE IS SOON TO BECOME AN EXPERT IN LATIN AMERICAN AFFAIRS. THE JOURNALIST REPORTEDLY WAS IMPRESSED BY THE COMMUNIST BACKED PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE SENATOR SALVADOR ALLENDE, WHO THE

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JOURNALIST IS QUOTED AS SAYING APPEARS TO HAVE LITTLE GRASP OF EITHER NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

7. HAITI: HAITI HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH CZECHOSLOVAKIA FOR THE PURCHASE OF WEAPONS.

AN ISRAELI NATIONAL IN FORT-LE-VALAIS WHO REPRESENTS CENTROTEK A CZECH STATE-OWNED TRADING AGENCY FOR IMPORT AND EXPORT OF TRIVELS AND BROWN LEATHER GOODS... HAS BEEN CONVINCED THAT AN AGREEMENT HAS BEEN CONCLUDED WITH CZECHOSLOVAKIA FOR THE PURCHASE OF \$300,000 WORTH OF WEAPONS. THE WEAPONS HE CLAIMS ARE TO BE SHIPPED BY CENTROTEK CONCEALING AMONG NORMAL COMMERCIAL COMMISSIONS TO HERTZ AND COMPANY, A GENERAL COMMERCIAL OUTLET IN FORT-LE-VALAIS. THEY ARE TO ARRIVE ABOUT THE 15th OF NOV.

A RELIABLE REPORT STATES THAT A CZECH BUSINESSMAN REPRESENTING CENTROTEK WAS IN PORT-LE-VALAIS IN MID-NOV. THE PRECISE NATURE OF HIS MISSION HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED.

CZECH SALES OF FIREARMS ARE HANDLED AS COMMERCIAL DEALS BY THE CZECH TRADE CORPORATION OKMIPOL. THIS CORPORATION ADVERTISES WIDELY AND HAS SOLD CZECH RIFLES AND HAS SOLD CZECH SPORT FIREARMS, AND SUITABLE

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ADDITION ALL OVER THE WORLD. DELIVERIES ARE MADE IN ACCORD WITH  
 NORMAL COMMERCIAL PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE SALE AND TRANSPORT OF  
 FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES. PRAYER WOULD JEOPARDISE THE REPUTATION OF  
 CENTROTEL BY AGREEING TO MISLABEL PACKING CRATES OR TO ISSUE FALSE  
 SHIPPING DOCUMENTS.

9. VENEZUELA: PRESIDENT BETAUCOURT IS DETERMINED TO HOLD  
 THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS ON 1 DEC IN SPITE OF INCREASED TERRORISM BY  
 THE COMMUNIST-DIRECTED ARMED FORCES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION (FALN.)  
 // ONLY A COMPLETE CATASTROPHE, SUCH AS ASSASSINATION OF ONE OR  
 MORE OF THE LEADING CANDIDATES, COULD NOW RESULT IN A POSTPONEMENT.  
 A PARTY CANNOT NOMINATE A CANDIDATE FOR ONE WHO DOES NOT SURVIVE  
 UNTIL ELECTION DAY, AND THE RESULTS OF AN ELECTION HELD AFTER AN  
 ASSASSINATION WOULD BE CHALLENGED IN THE COURTS AND PROBABLY VOIDED //

// MOST OBSERVERS OF THE SCENE FORECAST THE VICTORY OF RAUL LEON  
 OF BETAUCOURT'S DEMOCRATIC ACTION PARTY. OTHERS ANTICIPATE THE  
 ELECTION OF OLD-TIME SOCIALIST JOVITO VILLABLA OF THE REPUBLICAN  
 DEMOCRATIC UNION. //

// ABOUT 65 PERCENT OF THE 3,366,986 REGISTERED VOTERS WILL BE  
 YOUNG VOTING FOR THE FIRST TIME, AND ONLY MAY AND CONSIDERABLY  
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TO VILLALBA'S TOTAL. IN ADDITION, THE CONSTITUTIONALISTS, WHO HAVE VOTED TO BOYCOTT THE ELECTIONS, MAY NOT VOTE FOR VILLALBA IF THEY BELIEVE THEIR VOTES WILL BE WASTED.//

//FUTURE DAMNERS TO STABILITY WILL ARISE IF THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE ELECTIONS AND THE INAUGURATION IS SHORT. THE PLAN WILL CONTINUE AND INCREASE INTENSITY ITS EFFORTS TO DISRUPT THE CONSTITUTIONAL SUCCESSION, WHICH WOULD BE THE FIRST IN VENEZUELA'S HISTORY. MILITARY LEADERS, HOWEVER, MAY FIND BENTECOURT'S SUCCESSION UNACCEPTABLE AND INTERVENE.//

//NO PARTY WILL WIN A MAJORITY IN CONGRESS, AND THE POLITICAL JOGGING TO FORM COALITIONS DURING THE LONG DUCK SESSION WILL WEAKEN THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISIVENESS AND POWER TO ACT.//

9. HONDURAS: LEADERS OF OUSTED PRESIDENT RAMON VILLAGRA ROSALES' LIBERAL PARTY HAVE NOT YET ENDORSED THE MILITARY REGIME WHICH WOULD ESTABLISH A CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT IN HONDURAS WITHIN 18 MONTHS. INDICATIONS ARE, HOWEVER, THAT THE PARTY IS INCLINED TO COOPERATE WITH THE MILITARY IF CERTAIN GUARANTEES, SUCH AS FREE ELECTIONS, ARE FORTHCOMING.

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10. URUGUAY: THE URUGUAYAN COMMUNIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION (UJC) HAS INVITED THE USSR AND COMMUNIST CHINA TO SEND DELEGATES TO THE UJC CONGRESS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON 28 NOV.

//A HIGH-RANKING MEMBER OF THE URUGUAYAN COMMUNIST PARTY REPORT-  
 ELY HAS ASKED THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO AID IN GETTING VISAS FOR TWO  
 SOVIET DELEGATES.// MEMBERS OF URUGUAY'S PRO-CHINESE LEFTIST  
 REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (MR) EXPECT THE CHINESE TO BE REPRESENTED,  
 BUT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE AS YET THAT PEKING HAS SENT SUCH A GROUP.

THE CONGRESS MAY BE THE OCCASION FOR A MEETING OF COMMUNIST  
 YOUTH LEADERS FROM SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO DISCUSS THE  
 SINO-SOVIET DISPUTE. REPORTEDLY SUCH A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN  
 MONTEVIDEO "IN LATE NOVEMBER" IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A UNITED POSITION  
 PRIOR TO THE CUBAN-SPONSORED CONGRESS OF LATIN AMERICAN YOUTH (LAYC)  
 SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MARCH IN EITHER CHILE OR BRAZIL.

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