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REDCOAT - Carlos Arturo BONILLA Sanchez (201-273728)

Reference: HMA 10130 dated 26 September 1966

Action Required: See paragraph 3 below

1. Subject of reference is identical with Carlos Arturo BONILLA Sanchez (201-273728), president of the pro-Communist Federation of Workers of Cundinamarca (FTC). Inasmuch as Subject's 201 file was sent to Headquarters in July 1963 the Station does not have a complete record of Subject's background and relationship, if any, with the Soviets.

2. The most recent information in the Station's files on Subject, who has been active in Communist labor unions since 1945, is that he attended the Soviet Anniversary celebrations held in a theater in Bogota in early November 1964 after which he went to Havana, via Mexico, on 27 November 1964 on special invitation of Fidel Castro. In early December 1964 CIYMBELOS/10, who is considered a reliable source, reported that Augusto Duran, a former leader of the Communist Party of Colombia (PCC) and founder of the FTC, issued orders that the FTC should form an alliance with the PCC. This source added that in view of Bonilla's trip to Cuba this information indicated possibilities of such a union.

3. It is suggested that Headquarters review Subject's file and notify the Station Mexico City and Bogota of any relationship between Subject and the Soviets, especially Nikolay Sergeyevich LECHEV (201-132139) and Aleksandr Mikhailovich EROVICH (201-185114).

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