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Action Required: None

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and a variation a variate of the a safety and the committee of the committ many of the exiles' well-known views about the economic situation in Tenesuals and argues that President Rosmio Betancourt is in reality a Communist himself who is deliberately trying to ruin the country, thereby explaining his reluctance to take firm action against the Communists. The opinion is expressed that the "authentic" FALE is composed of all opponents to the regime and that it is controlled by an anti-Communist majority, but that leftists and Communists have committed many acts of terrorism "usurping" the name of the FALE. Such a view is not supported by muserous Station reports which show the FALM to be a Communistdirected organization composed principally of members of the PCV. It should be noted that one of the principal objectives of the Communists at present is to persuade the public that the PCV does not control the PALE and that it is really a grouping of all forces opposed to the present government who have had to resort to such nethods because of the undemotratic nature of the Betancourt government. They have evidently had some success in this respect and recently the head of the (CIRCLE)) organization told the case officer that he thought there were as many rightist opponents to the regime as leftists involved in FALE activities.

2. Because there are so many contradictions and dubious assumptions in the entire report, the Station does not consider it suitable for dissendnation.

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