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1. CUBA VENEZUELA THE DISCOVERY OF A LARGE CACHE OF WEAPONS OF CUBAN ORIGIN ANNOUNCED BY VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES ON 28 NOV, PROVIDES BEST EVIDENCE IN RECENT YEARS OF MAJOR CUBAN SUPPORT FOR LATIN AMERICAN SUBVERSIVES.

THE VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTER HAS ANNOUNCED THAT CARACAS WILL LAY FORMAL CHARGES CONCERNING THE ARMS CACHE BEFORE A SPECIAL MEETING OF LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS SCHEDULED FOR DEC. FOLLOWING THIS, CARACAS WILL ASK THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES BE CONVOKED FOR CONSULTATION ON THE MATTER.

THERE IS DEFINITE PROOF TO SUPPORT THE VENEZUELAN CLAIM THAT THE WEAPONS CAME FROM CUBA. THE APPROXIMATELY THREE TONS OF WEAPONS INCLUDE LIGHT AUTOMATIC RIFLES AND SUBMACHINES-GUNS IDENTIFIED AS AMONG THOSE SHIPPED TO CUBA FROM BELGIUM IN 1959 AND 1960. THERE WERE ALSO MORTARS, RAZOOKAS, RECOILLERS RIFLES, AND ASSAULTION OF

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OF US MANUFACTURE
 THE EQUIPMENT WAS ^{APPARENTLY} 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 REFORMS 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 MIDDLE... 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

WHICH 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 FORMATION OF THIS SOCIETY IS THE FIRST PUBLIC INDICATION
^{FACTION}
THAT A PRO-CHINESE FACTION EXISTS WITHIN THE PCB. IT HAS BEEN PCB
^{MEMBER}
POLICY THAT ANY MEMBER WHO PUBLICLY DISPLAYED PRO-CHINESE SYMPATHIES
^{EXPELED FROM THE PARTY}
WOULD BE EXPELED 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
^{PARTICULARLY IF THE PRO}
STRUGGLE, PARTICULARLY IF THE PRO SOVIET PCB LEADERS ATTEMPT TO EXPEL
^{ACTIVISTS}
THEIR ACTIVISTS...
WHILE THE PARTY ACTIVISTS UNDOUBTEDLY
WHILE THE PARTY ACTIVISTS UNDOUBTEDLY ARE ATTRACTED TO THE

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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, HARTO HENJE, THE PARTY FIRST SECRETARY, HAS ALIENATED MANY PCB STALWARTS BECAUSE OF HIS ALLEGED USE OF PARTY FUNDS FOR PERSONAL PURPOSES.

4. ^{COMMUNIST SCHOOL} ~~CONCRETE~~ SCHOOL: THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS (IUS), A ^{-FRONT GROUP} ~~COMMUNIST 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 ^{SOCIAL CHRISTIAN} SOCIAL CHRISTIAN (SC) MOVEMENTS IN THE UNIVERSITIES. IUS OFFICIALS ^{BELIEVE THE} 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 AT THE PROPOSED SCHOOL WOULD BE FOR APPROXIMATELY

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

J. HATTI: HATTI HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH GENERALOVAERA FOR THE PURCHASE OF WEAPONS.

AN ISRAELI NATIONAL IN PORT-AU-PRINCE WHO MEMBERSHIP CENTROTECH-- A CZECH STATE-OWNED TRADING AGENCY FOR IMPORT AND EXPORT OF TRIVIAL AND BULKY LEATHER GOODS-- HAS SO FAR AS TO ADMIT THAT AN AGREEMENT HAS BEEN CONCLUDED WITH GENERALOVAERA FOR THE PURCHASE OF ^{WEAPONS} \$300,000 WORTH OF WEAPONS. THE WEAPONS HE CLAIMS ARE TO BE SHIPPED BY CENTROTECH CONCEALED AMONG NORMAL COMMERCIAL CONSIGNMENTS TO HERTZ AND COMPANY, A GENERAL COMMERCIAL OUTLET IN PORT-AU-PRINCE. THEY ARE TO ARRIVE NOVEMBER 15 IF NOT.

A RELIABLE REPORT STATES THAT A CZECH BUSINESSMAN REPRESENTING CENTROTECH WAS IN PORT-AU-PRINCE IN MID-NOV. THE PRECISE NATURE OF HIS MISSION HAS ^{NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED,} NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED.

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

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AGREEMENT ALL OVER THE WORLD. DELIVERIES ARE MADE IN ACCORD WITH
 NORMAL COMMERCIAL PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE SALE AND TRANSPORT OF
 FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES. PRACTICE WORLD JEOPARDY: THE REPUTATION OF
 CENTROTEL BY AGREEING TO MISLABEL PACKING CRATES OR TO ISSUE FALSE
 SHIPPING DOCUMENT.

8. VENEZUELA: ^{DETERMINED TO HOLD} PRESIDENT BETANCOURT IS DETERMINED TO HOLD
 THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS ON 1 DEC IN SPITE OF INCREASED ^{TERRORISM} TERRORISM BY
 THE COMMUNIST-DIRECTED ARMED FORCES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION (FALN.) ^{NATIONAL LIBERATION (FALN.)} //
 // ONLY A COMPLETE CATASTROPHE, SUCH AS ^{ASSASSINATION} ASSASSINATION OF ONE OR
 MORE OF THE LEADING CANDIDATES, COULD NOW ^{RESULT} RESULT IN A POSTPONEMENT.
 A PARTY CANNOT SUBSTITUTE A CANDIDATE FOR ^{FOR ONE WHO DOES NOT SERVING} ONE WHO DOES NOT SERVE
 UNTIL ELECTION DAY, AND THE ^{RESULT} RESULTS OF AN ELECTION HELD AFTER AN
 ASSASSINATION WOULD BE CHALLENGED IN THE COURTS AND ^{PROBABLY VOIDED} PROBABLY VOIDED //
 // MOST ^{OBSERVERS} OBSERVERS OF THE SCENE FORECAST THE VICTORY OF RAUL LEON
 OF BETANCOURT'S DEMOCRATIC ACTION PARTY. OTHERS ANTICIPATE THE
 ELECTION OF OLD-TIME SOCIALIST JOVITO VILLABLA OF THE REPUBLICAN
 DEMOCRATIC UNION. //
 // ABOUT 65 PERCENT OF THE 3,366,966 REGISTERED VOTERS WILL BE

YOUNG VOTING FOR THE FIRST TIME, AND THEY MAY BE CONSIDERABLY
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TO VILLALBA'S TOTAL. IN ADDITION, THE COMMUNISTS, 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 FREN WILL CONTINUE AND INCREASE INTENSIFY 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 JOCKEYING TO FORM COALITIONS DURING THE LONG DECK 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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ANDRES ALVARADO PUERTO, A LIBERAL PARTY LEADER WHO UNSUCCESSFULLY BOUGHT THE PARTY'S PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION IN THE SPRING OF 1963, MET PRIVATELY ON 23 NOV WITH COLONEL BEN OSWALDO LOPEZ ARELLANO, THE MILITARY CHIEF OF STATE. AS A RESULT OF THIS CONVERSATION, ALVARADO PUERTO SAID HE WAS PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE DECKIE AND WOULD TRY TO PERSUADE THE PARTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DRAFTING OF A NEW ELECTORAL LAW. HE IS ALSO WORKING TO SECURE THE SUPPORT OF LABOR.

THE THREAT OF A GENERAL STRIKE BY LABOR UNIONS IN THE VITAL NORTH COAST AREA APPEARS TO HAVE DIMINISHED. LABOR LEADERS APPARENTLY ALSO FAILED IN THEIR ATTEMPT TO PERSUADE THE DISBANDED CONGRESS TO RECONVENE AND ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO VILLEDA.

//ANOTHER INDICATOR THAT POLITICAL TENSION MAY EASE IS THE ALLEGED ATTITUDE OF ROBERTO BODAS ALVARADO, FORMER LIBERAL PARTY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. BODAS SAID HE WANTS TO AVOID VIOLENCE AND HAS GIVEN ORDERS TO HIS OWN FOLLOWERS IN THE LIBERAL PARTY TO USE PASSIVE MEANS IN THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE MILITARY REGIME.// (CONF)

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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 26 NOV.

//A HIGH-RANKING MEMBER OF THE URUGUAYAN COMMUNIST PARTY REPORT-
 ONLY 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 (LATC)
 SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MARCH IN EITHER CHILE OR BRAZIL.

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