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1. RESIGNATION (OR FIRING) OF MEXICAN AMBASSADOR

TO INDIA OCTAVIO PAZ HAS RECEIVED PROMINENT FRONT PAGE TREATMENT IN MEXICO CITY PRESS, WITH CHARGES AND COUNTER-CHARGES BETWEEN PAZ AND FOREIGN OFFICE ON WHETHER HE GOT FIRED (OR RESIGNED) AND WHY. FOREIGN OFFICE CLAIMS PAZ MADE STATEMENTS BASED ON INACCURATE PRESS REPORTS WITHOUT ASKING OR WAITING FOR FOREIGN OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE, BUT NO RPT NO REPRODUCTION OF PAZ ALLEGEDLY INAPPROPRIATE STATEMENTS HAS APPEARED IN MEXICAN PRESS. THE REAL REASON FOR PAZ, RESIGNATION (OR FIRING) IS THEREFORE STILL NOT CLEAR.

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2. ADDING FUEL TO FIRE, PAZ DAUGHTER HELENA PAZ GARRO, WHO IS COMPLETELY DOMINATED BY HER MOTHER (A LEADING MEXICAN PLAYWRIGHT, ELENA GARRO) <sup>(201-800405)</sup>, PUBLISHED AN OPEN LETTER TO HER FATHER RESTATING HER MOTHER'S PREVIOUS PUBLIC CHARGES THAT STUDENT CRISIS HERE IS RESULT OF CONSPIRACY IN WHICH WELL-KNOWN MEXICAN

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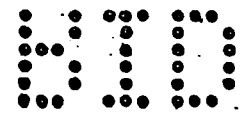
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LEFTIST INTELLECTUALS HAVE PLAYED LEADING ROLE. NOT RPT NOT AT ALL CLEAR WHAT RELATIONSHIP PAZ' REMOVAL FROM NEW DELHI HAS WITH ELENA GARRO'S CHARGES AGAINST LEFTIST INTELLECTUALS (SHE INCLUDED WELL-KNOWN NON-COMMUNIST WRITERS, EDUCATORS AND SCIENTISTS) BUT END RESULT IS THAT ELENA GARRO, THROUGH HER DAUGHTER, IS EXPLOITING OCTAVIO PAZ' REMOVAL TO CONTINUE HER OWN ONE-WOMAN CAMPAIGN AGAINST PROMINENT MEMBERS OF INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY. THIS MIGHT SUPPLY GOVERNMENT WITH PEG, SHOULD IT DECIDE TO DO SO, FOR CRACKING <sup>DOWN</sup> ON INTELLECTUALS, THROWING IN COMMUNISTS AND NON-COMMUNISTS TOGETHER, WHICH WOULD SIMPLY MUDDY WATERS EVEN MORE ON WHO ARE PRINCIPAL PROMOTERS (AND FINANCIERS) OF STUDENT CRISIS.

3. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, WOULD APPRECIATE IF STATION <sup>(12-22)</sup> (NEW DELHI) COULD CABLE ANY PUBLISHED STATEMENTS BY OCTAVIO PAZ THAT MIGHT SHED LIGHT ON REAL CAUSE OF HIS RESIGNATION (OR DISMISSAL). FYI, PAZ CONTINUES TO ENJOY REPUTATION AS ONE OF TOP MEXICAN INTELLECTUALS HERE.

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