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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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SUBJECT: Communist Party Training Schools  
and Related Activities in Latin America

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1. The Communist strategy of achieving a "peaceful transition" to Socialism has required increased emphasis on the organizational and ideological training of party members. A major purpose of this training is to provide Communists operating within the "enemy camp" (i. e., in mass movements, institutions, and organizations dominated by non-Communists) with the arguments and the faith necessary to undermine bourgeois and imperialist ideas and to establish Marxist points of view. In Latin America, where the Communists represent a very small minority, there has been particular emphasis on this strategy and the training associated with it.

2. The attached brief consolidates information concerning training activities undertaken by Communist parties in Latin America. Information concerning the organization of formal schools and training courses is admittedly incomplete, as is knowledge of less formal study and discussion of important tactical and ideological matters such as those treated in party theoretical journals or international publications such as Problems of Peace and Socialism (World Marxist Review)

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3. This summary of Communist party training in Latin America was prepared at the request of another department. It is being disseminated to the U.S. intelligence community by the Central Intelligence Agency in accordance with counter-intelligence responsibilities set forth in NSCID-5. Your comments will be appreciated, as well as information on this subject not previously forwarded to this Agency.

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