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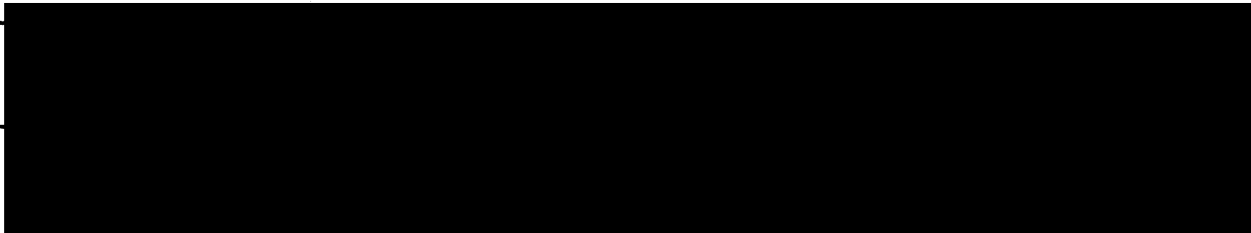
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1. In accordance with the provisions of Article No. 27 of the Statutes of the Communist Party of Venezuela (PCV), ratified at the Second Congress of the PCV, held in Caracas in August 1948, the organization and members of the high executive bodies of the Party were the following:
 - A. CENTRAL COMMITTEE:

This executive body is considered one of the most important divisions of the Party. It is normally composed of 27 members; however, during the past year and a half there have been many changes, and the present list cannot be considered accurate. In 1952 the names of Juan Bautista FUENMAYOR and Eduardo MACHADO Morales were deleted, along with the names of two unidentified women, and others, like Carlos DEL VECCHIO, have been incorporated. The members of the Central Committee, as presently known, are the following:

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| (1) | Jesus FARIA | In prison |
| (2) | Pompeyo MARQUEZ Ezequiel | |
| (3) | Gustavo MACHADO Morales | In exile |
| (4) | Alonso OJEDA Olaschea | In hiding |
| (5) | Eloy Felix TORRES | |
| (6) | Luis Emilio ARRIETA | In hiding |
| (7) | Martin J. RAMIREZ | In exile |
| (8) | Humberto J. ARRIETTI | Reported to be in hiding in the State of Falcon, Venezuela |
| (9) | Natalie CASTILLO | |
| (10) | Pedro GUTIERREZ | |
| (11) | Max GARCIA | Reported to have been released from prison and presently out of Venezuela. |

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| (12) | Israel LUGO | |
| (13) | Facundo LOPEZ | Reported to be in prison
in the State of Anzoategui,
Venezuela |
| (14) | Jose MARTINEZ Pozo | Reported to be in prison
in Ciudad Bolivar,
Venezuela |
| (15) | Manuel Isidro MOLINA | |
| (16) | Cesar MILLAN | |
| (17) | Carlos DEL VECCHIO Bottaro | Reported to be in
Bucharest, Rumania |
| (18) | Luis MORENO | |
| (19) | Porfirio MARVAL | |
| (20) | Victor MARTINEZ | |
| (21) | Jose RODRIGUEZ | |
| (22) | Gustavo VILLAPAREDES | Reported to be in prison
in Ciudad Bolivar,
Venezuela |

B. POLITICAL BUREAU:

The executive body known as the Political Bureau of the PCV is normally composed of nine members, who are elected by and from the members of the Central Committee. At the present time there are seven members, as follows:²

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| (1) | Jesus FARIA | In prison |
| (2) | Pompeyo MARQUEZ Ezequiel | Operating clandestinely in
Venezuela |
| (3) | Gustavo MACHADO Morales | Exiled in Mexico |
| (4) | Alonso OJEDA Olaschca | Reported to be in hiding
in Venezuela |
| (5) | Eloy Felix TORRES | Operating clandestinely
in Venezuela |
| (6) | Luis Emiro ARRIETA | Reported to be in hiding
in the State of Miranda,
Venezuela |
| (7) | Martin J. RAMIREZ | Exiled in Mexico |

C. SECRETARIAT OF THE PARTY (PCV):

The Secretariat of the Party is composed of three members who are elected by and from the members of the Political Bureau:

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| (1) | Jesus FARIA | - Secretary General of the PCV, reported to be in
prison at San Juan de los Morros,
Venezuela; |
| (2) | Pompeyo MARQUEZ Ezequiel, alias Santos YORME | - Secretary (acting
Secretary General) reported to be operating
clandestinely in the Federal District,
Venezuela; |
| (3) | Eloy Felix TORRES | - Alternate member replacing Gustavo MACHADO Morales,
who is exiled in Mexico. It is reported that
TORRES is at present operating clandestinely
in the Federal District, Venezuela. |

2. In general practice the following known committees and sections come under the jurisdictions of the Central Committee:

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A. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COMMUNIST YOUTH:

Composed of the following known members:

- (1) Carlos DEL VECCHIO Bottaro
- (2) Rafael Angel BARRETO Castillo
- (3) Guillermo GARCIA Ponce
- (4) Angel R. GARCIA
- (5) Juvenal HERRERA
- (6) Jonas MILLAN
- (7) Flor MATOS Merida 3

B. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COMMUNIST WOMEN:

Composed of the following known members:

- (1) Esperanza VERA
- (2) Velia M. BOSCH Roman

C. REGIONAL SECRETARIAT FOR THE FEDERAL DISTRICT (Venezuela):

Eloy Felix TORRES

D. REGIONAL SECRETARIATS FOR THE INTERIOR:

Each of the twenty (20) States and Territories of the Republic of Venezuela is represented by a Regional Secretariat. Only three of those Secretariats are known at the present time:

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| (1) Humberto J. ARRIETTI | State of Falcon |
| (2) Manuel Isidro MOLINA | State of Trujillo |
| (3) Fausto LOPEZ | State of Anzoategui |

3. Within the organization of the Secretariat of the Federal District and the Secretariats of the Interior, there are the following sub-divisions:

- a. Pro-Peace Movement
- b. Labor Union Movement

25X1A 1. [REDACTED] Comment: The information in this report probably refers to the commonly known executives structure or "paper" organization of the PCV, which is used in normal times but has been superseded by an underground organization composed of lesser-known Party members. The majority of the names contained in this report are PCV members of long standing.

25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] reported that until the summer of 1952 the Political Bureau of the PCV was composed of nine members but that two, Eduardo MACHADO Morales and Juan Bautista FUENMAYOR, had been expelled.

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25X1A 3. [REDACTED] Comment: It is not certain that MATOS is a member of the Communist Youth Commission.

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