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SUBJECT

- 25X1X 1. At the request of Communist leader Luiz Carlos Frestes, the Partido Popular Progressista (PPP), which has been almost extinct since the January elections, is being reorganized to form a front for the Communist Party of Brazil (PCB).
 - 2. The PCB is now conducting an intensive drive to obtain 50,000 signatures on a petition for legal registration of the PPP. This is being done by employing lists of Communist Party members prepared by Marcel Campos and Dr. Americo Wanick, Secretary General and Rector, respectively, of the Universidade do Povo, whose headquarters are the same as those of the PPP.
 - 3. A committee composed of Roberto Sisson, Sydnay Resende, Jorge Amado, Joaquim Barroso, Eugenia Alvaro Moreira, and Octavio Brandao, meeting at Rua Seo Jose 93, estensibly to study plans for aiding the Communist daily, Le Tribuia, has been active since 3 June formulating plans to activate the PPP for the use of the PCB.
 - 4. After the PPP has been organized, an attempt will be made to register it as a legally constituted party. If successful, the PCB deputies in the National Chamber of Deputies will publicly transfer their allegiance to the PPP and thus avoid being removed on the ground that they represent a dissolved party. The PPP will then serve as a vehicle for the continuation of the activities of the Communist Party.

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