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1. Existence of a group known as the Comite S. (probably for Salvadoreno) de Liberacion Nacional (Salvadoran ? Committee for National Liberation), at work in neighboring countries to overthrow the present regime, is revealed in a letter from one exiled Salvadoran in Costa Rica to another in Guatemala. The letter mentions a leaflet containing the statutes of the organization and discusses in particular Clause III, which calls for the liquidation of the feudal capitalistic regime of El Salvador and its replacement by a truly democratic government.
2. The method of executing Clause III receives the principal attention of the writer, M. Castro y Morales. He rejects the traditional coup d'etat, which has generally resulted in one group of reactionaries being replaced by another, and calls instead for a strong democratic party, rallying around a concrete social program, which will gain and hold power by legal means. To attain this end, Castro does not object to his own Marxist party, called the Partido Independiente de la Clase Trabajadora (Independent Party of the Working Class) joining forces with the "bourgeois democratic" parties.
3. Castro asks his correspondent in Guatemala for additional information on the activities of Mauricio Alvarado, reported to be trying to form a democratic party in El Salvador. Castro considers Alvarado as untrustworthy and without the moral and political prestige for the task, but possibly useful in opposing Dr. Arturo Romero's Partido Union Democratica, which he regards as an obstacle in the way of unification of Salvadoran democratic forces.

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Comment: As reported in [REDACTED] 25X1A2g a Juan Cristobal in Costa Rica also asked a friend in Guatemala for information on Mauricio Alvarado in behalf of the Partido Vanguardia Popular of Costa Rica.

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