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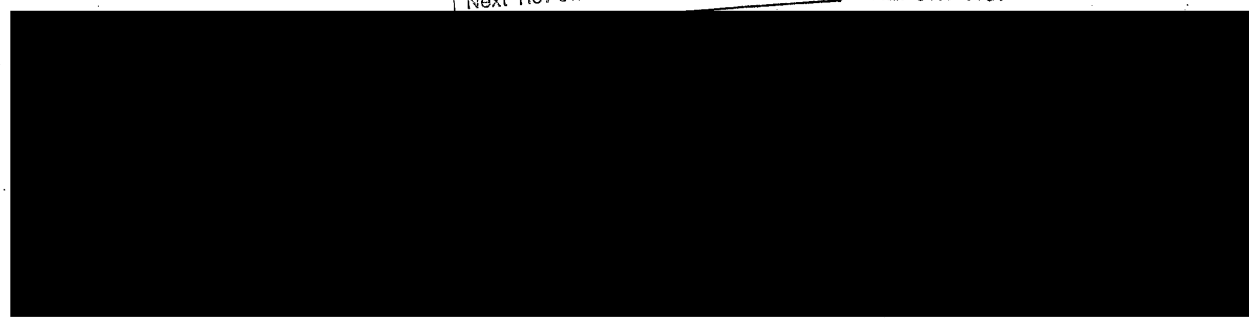
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1. Ghitman Beider, who was born in Rumania and who has become a naturalized Ecuadoran citizen, is endeavoring to obtain the post of Special Representative of Ecuador to the Government of Israel, if recognition is extended.
2. Local investigation failed to reveal any derogatory information on Beider who is presently employed as a columnist known as "Gebe" for El Universo in Guayaquil. However, it was reported that Beider's sister, a chemist, whose name is presently unknown, is employed by the Soviets. Her services were enlisted by the Soviets when they entered Rumania during World War II. She was sent from Rumania to Moscow, where she studied in a Soviet chemical laboratory, and then went to Siberia, where she worked on chemical experiments. At present she is in Moscow.
3. Salvador Rozental, who was born Jesus Rosenthal in Rumania, and who now is a naturalized Colombian citizen, is negotiating with the Ecuadoran Foreign Minister for the early recognition of Israel.
4. Rozental, who is married to a Russian, resides in Bogota, Colombia, where he is active in the Zionist Movement. He is considered by local Hebrews to be without strong moral principles and has had very little formal education. One Hebrew accused Rozental of being a Communist in his sentiments.
5. Should Ecuador recognize Israel, it is understood in Quito circles that Rozental will be that country's representative for both Ecuador and Colombia.

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