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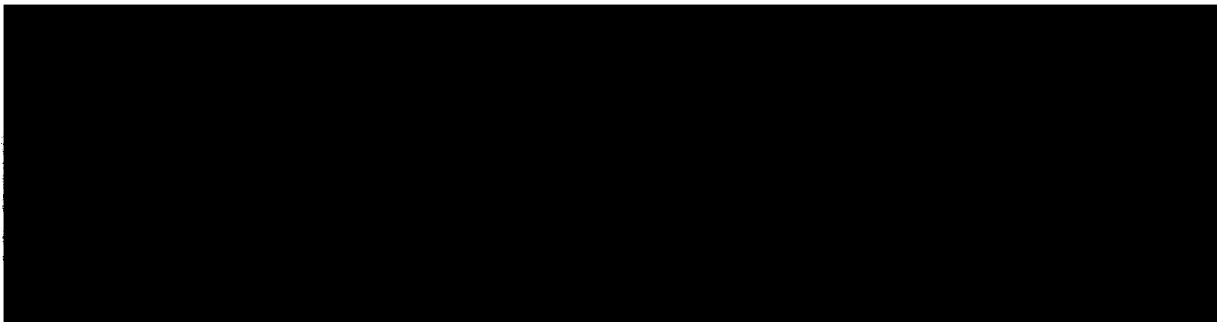
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1. President Peron has been forced to curtail Argentine economic expansion in other Latin American nations until Argentina can solve its internal economic problems. However, the Argentine government is continuing its penetration in cultural and labor fields and is banking heavily on a "third position" labor movement. Argentina will continue to invite labor delegates from other Latin American countries to Argentina in an effort to convince labor groups in those countries of the value of the doctrine of "Peronismo" (social justice, political and economic independence).
2. At a congress of the Confederacion de Empleados de Comercio (Federation of Commercial Employees) which was held recently in Buenos Aires, President Peron held a two-hour private conference with delegates from Chile, Colombia, Brazil, Peru, Mexico, and Cuba at which time he extolled the virtues of the Argentine labor movement. At a later meeting of the congress, the following four delegates openly praised Peron and expressed their admiration for the achievements of his program in Argentina:

Salvador Garrido of Mexico

Anselmo Martin of Brazil

Rafael Castilla of Chile

Hernando Holguin Cruz of Colombia

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