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- 1. Pedro Beltran is reported to be continuing his attempts to bring Senator Luis A. Flores, leader of the Union Revolucionaria (UR), closer to the Odria regime in Peru. At a recent meeting between the two men, Beltran is said to have assured Flores that the present Government was not merely a prelude to rule by Manuel Prado. Prado, according to Beltran, would not have the support of the Odria Government, should he attempt a "presidential campaign".
- 2. Flores, whose opposition to Prado has been previously reported in is said to have stated that he did not contemplate taking any political step for several weeks. One reason for this decision is that the Government has indicated that meetings of the Independent Senators and Deputies would not be opposed. Flores therefore desires to sound out that group before taking any action. Comment. Beltran is believed to see the UR as a possi-25X1A6a ble source of considerable popular strength in support of the present regime, and in recognition of Flores' popular backing is seeking rapprochement with

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