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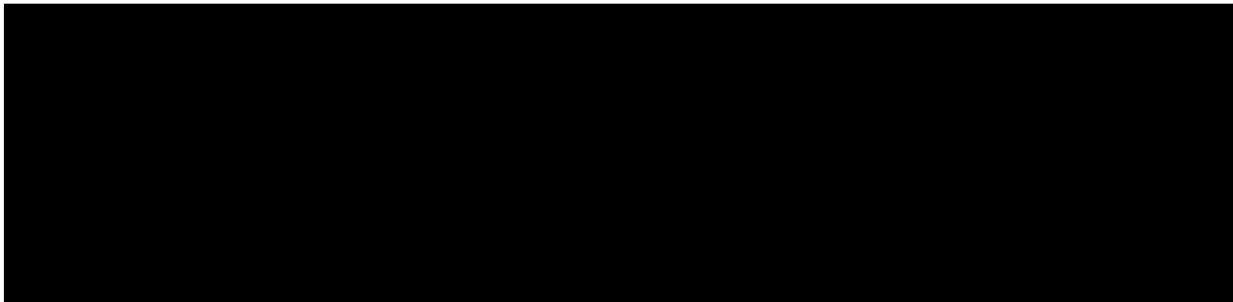
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The points covered in a previous report\* on the operational directives of the Communist Party of Chile (POCh) have been amplified in the following report:

Communist Party Influence in Other Proletarian Groups

1. The Communist Party has attempted to extend its influence by working with other proletarian groups since the time it ceased being an exclusively clandestine group. It first worked with the Union de Maestros (Teachers Union) and then with the Frente Nacional de la Vivienda (National Housing Front), and now is assisting with the organization of Comites de Pobladores (Citizens' Committees) throughout the country. The POCh also intends to work with Comites de Progreso para los Obreros (Committees for Workers Progress) which are to be set up in towns throughout the country. The program planned by these committees calls for civic improvements such as paving, potable water, sewage control.
2. Since the militants of the Party are generally laborers or workers with very little political preparation, the Executive Secretariat of the Central Committee must outline policies to them in detail. Therefore every item which Party leaders consider important is mentioned specifically in instructions they issue.

Propaganda in Favor of Peace

3. The continuing pro-peace propaganda campaign is closely linked to the fight against American imperialism. At present plans are being formulated for the organization of an anti-war committee. Among those who will be invited to participate in this committee will be leftist university professors, students, women's clubs, mutual benefit societies, and similar groups. Party leaders believe that such a committee will appeal to a wide variety of persons who are not Party members. The Party hopes that it can use the committee as a legal framework in which it can carry out its work without endangering its militants.

Classification of Party Militants According to Length of Time as Party Member

4. Files on each Communist militant are maintained by the Party, and at present are in the keeping of Galo Gonzalez. The files contain extremely detailed information on each member, and include his name, residence, age, employment or profession, studies completed, date of enrollment, and the name of the person

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who sponsored him. Any special abilities are enumerated, for example, driving a car, flying a plane, handling special firearms such as field artillery, machine guns and cannon, operating telegraphic or radio telephonic equipment. Notation is made if he has a knowledge of electricity or of navigation or if he owns any firearms. The files also contain names of the militant's relatives, names of his intimate friends, addresses which may be used in sending letters or messages, a list of PCCh sympathizers with whom he is acquainted, and notations of the Control Committee about his special assignments or any breaches of discipline. The Control Committee uses these dossiers to classify the militants. This Committee is constantly requesting the cells or local committees to furnish information concerning the conduct of Party members of doubtful loyalty. Control is also maintained over delegates to the Party Congresses, because only those may attend who have been militants for more than three years and who have been sympathizers for at least two years.

5. To acquire the title of militant, a member's record must be presented for approval to the Bureau of Regional Control after the chief of his cell and the secretary of the local committee have been consulted. For a member to be eligible for a directive post, he must have had at least five years of active militancy. Members of the Control Committee are required to have served ten years as "exemplary militants", having never had a disagreement with the Party line and Party instructions. From among those who have served on the Central Committee are chosen the inspectors or reorganizers who are sent by the Directorate to a province to take charge of Party affairs. The majority of regional secretaries are not designated by the local organizations, but are appointed by the Central Committee, and are designated in the National Congresses of the Party. Occasionally the Regional Congresses elect Secretaries.

#### Links with Foreign Communists Operating in Chile

6. Generally foreign Communist groups in Chile operate within the PCCh, with the exception of the Spanish Communists. The majority of the Spaniards have been expelled\*\* from the native party and are acting in a separate group headed by Julian Cuesada Alonso. Other foreign Communist groups do not usually operate as distinct entities, although recently groups of French, Germans, and Yugoslavs have been formed.

#### Informants in Other Political Parties

7. The PCCh has obtained information on the plans of the Radical party, but has not attempted to follow the activities of the Conservatives and Liberals. There were some Communists in the Socialist party, but through lack of direction their opportunity to secure information was lost.
8. Communist intelligence work in government circles is much better directed and more effective. There are Communists in Investigaciones, the Carabineros, the various regiments, the national air line, the Ministry of Foreign Relations, the Ministry of the Interior, the Treasury Department, and in the Commissariat. All of these Party members give information to their cell leaders on the activities of the government departments and on the aviation industry. The Party has sympathizers on the police force who inform Communist members when orders are being prepared for their arrest.
9. The PCCh does not, however, have any organization which controls or centralizes the gathering of information. When the Central Committee wishes to obtain specific information, the usual procedure is for a confidential secretary of the Committee to visit Party members who are in strategic positions and interrogate them.

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10. Formerly, PCCh members could move about almost at will, but Galo Gonzalez has recently issued instructions covering changes of residences. The professional leaders who are on a salary are moved from one province to another by order of the directorate.
11. There is an outstanding order that Communists must constantly change residences and even their places of employment. Communists from Santiago have been sent to Valparaiso or Concepcion, where they may stay and work until they become well known. Once they have been identified as Communist militants they must change their location upon order from the central directorate.

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