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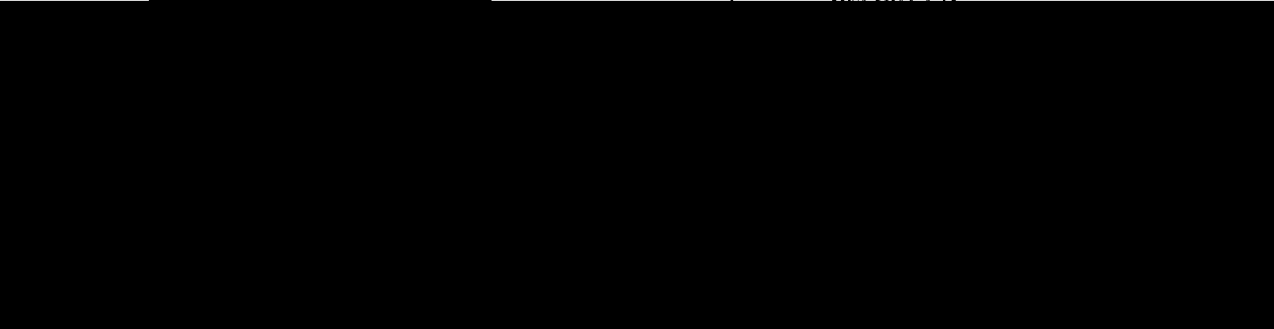
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1. Rene Rivera, a nephew of Col. Osmin Aguirre, has stated that funds amounting to \$180,000 have become available to the supporters of Aguirre who may soon attempt a coup d'etat in El Salvador to force the present junta from power. Rivera, who claimed to be a secret contact of the holder of the funds, said that they were to be used to bribe officials and army garrison commanders. Rivera added that all regiments will be approached except the Artillery, and that only two commanders remain to be suborned. It is believed that these two are the commanders of the Cavalry and the First Infantry. According to Rivera, there is a special plan for the First Infantry.
2. An attempt has been made to contact Major Rafael Carranza Amaya, Chief of the General Staff, and offer him up to \$20,000 to join the movement against the junta, although it is feared that Carranza may be too close to Major Osorio to be trusted.
3. In the opinion of the source, the plan is feasible and the junta may be voted out if the plotters can depend on the bribed officials and on the elements of speed and surprise.

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Comment. Rivera, an employee of the British American Tobacco Company, is a known intriguer in Aguirre's behalf.

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