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- 1. The Partido Comunista de Colombia (PCC) has met with serious obstacles in its agitation campaign in the rural areas of Colombia, particularly in the Department of Cauca, where Gilberto Vieira White, Alvaro Pio Valencia, PCC Secretary of Education, Alfonso Paz, and Jose Cardona Hoyos of Cali have been active. The PCC has decided to stop all agitation in Cauca because of the uncompromising attitude of the Liberal leaders, especially that of Pedro Mina, who has a reputation throughout the department of being aggressive and violent. The Liberal leaders have warned the Communists not to interfere in the rural problems of the area.
- 2. The Party's campaign is being intensified in the agricultural regions of the Department of Cundinamarca. Communist meetings have been held in the small municipalities of Narino and Guataqui, near Girardot, Cundinamarca, under the direction of Angel Maria Cano of Girardot. Communist agitation in Guataqui has been so successful that the government has sent extra security agents and armed forces to the area to prevent possible trouble.
- 3. The PCC has been informed that the rovernment has been making a political survey in those regions where the Communists are active. Although the government does not consider Communism to be a real threat at present, because of the small size of the movement, it believes that the Communists may become influential enough to create serious difficulties in the disturbed nolitical situation.*

Comment. This information was given to the PCC directorate by Jorge Regueros Peralta, a PCC leader, who stated that it was based on information received by a Party sympathizer from Dario Schandia, Liberal Maister of Government.

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