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1. It has been reported by a Communist contact of a Chilean source that a Latin American Communist Congress was recently held in Mexico and that during this Congress Jorge Amado Torres\* was elected Secretary General for Latin America. Others reportedly considered for this position were Liberio Justo, the son of former Argentine President Augustin Justo, and Juan Marinello, the President of the Executive Committee of the Partido Socialista Popular de Cuba.
2. It was further stated that Jorge Amado Torres, the new Secretary General, will soon make a trip throughout Latin America.
3. Possible confirmation of the report that a secret Communist Congress was held in Mexico City came from Gilberto Vieira White, who represented the Partido Comunista de Colombia (PCG) at the Mexico City Peace Congress. He returned to Bogota on 27 September and on 30 September made a report to Party militants on the work of the Congress. At that time, Vieira White stated that the Communist delegates held secret meetings during the sessions without the knowledge of the other delegates, many of whom he claimed were imperialist agents. Ostensibly the sole object of the Congress was the promotion of peace, but the Communist delegates took advantage of the meeting to discuss strictly Communist and Marxist problems, according to Vieira White. He said he would explain these remarks at a later time.

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Comment: Source originally reported that the new Secretary General is the brother of Gilberto Amado Torres, a former Mexican Ambassador to Chile. This information was subsequently amended by source who said that the Secretary General is a prominent Brazilian Communist, Jorge Amado Torres.

Some confusion still exists about the identity of this individual, since the Brazilian does not use the maternal last name, and is known simply as Jorge Amado. He has been frequently confused with Jorge Amado Torres, a Mexican national who was reported to be in Chile in July 1949, and whose name appeared on the list of special correspondents of the new monthly newspaper Nuestra America.

The Brazilian, Jorge Amado, has been traveling extensively in Europe and reportedly visiting, among other cities, Moscow in June 1949 where he participated in the celebration of the 150th birthday of Pushkin, and Sofia in

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July 1949 where he made an address to a workers' meeting. He was listed as being a member of the Brazilian delegation to the Mexico City Peace Congress, but his presence there has not been confirmed.

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 Comment: Although there has been no definite confirmation of such a meeting, it is considered plausible that one might have been held in Mexico City under cover of the recent peace congress, which began on 5 September.

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