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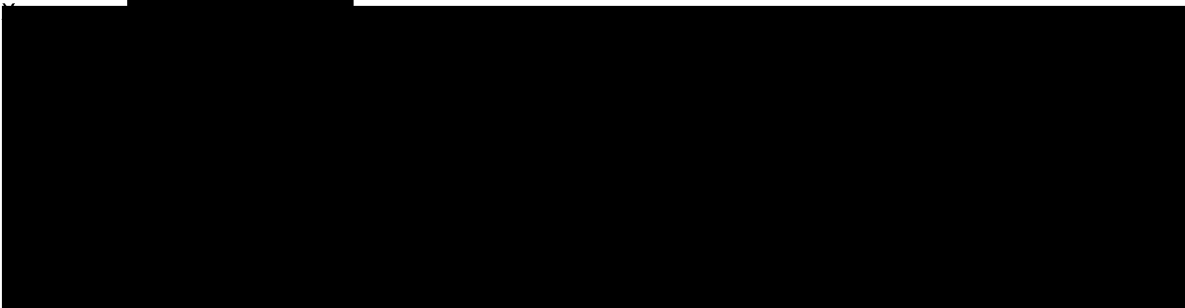
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1. Some 20 candidates seeking congressional seats on the ticket of General Manuel Odria were ex-Communists, dissident Communists, or Communist sympathizers,

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2. These individuals are identified as follows:

Juan P. Luza, candidate for senator from Lima--expelled from both orthodox and dissident Communist factions, but still Marxist oriented and a prominent figure in labor circles.

Fortunate Cepeda, candidate for deputy from Lima--Communist sympathizer with some labor following.

Gustavo Gorriti, candidate for deputy from Arequipa--ex-Communist and a Communist deputy previously.

Julian Navarro, candidate for deputy from Junin--ex-Aprista, now considered a Communist sympathizer. Because of his former Aprista connections his candidacy has been challenged and he may be disqualified.

Carlos Gonzalez Loli, candidate for deputy from Ancash--dissident Communist.

Alfonso Rivas, candidate for deputy from Ancash--Party sympathizer.

Roberto Paredes, candidate for deputy from Ancash--Party sympathizer.

Nezarico Chavez Aliaga, candidate for deputy from Cajamarca--Party sympathizer.

Francisco Tarmayo, candidate for senator from Cuzco--formerly a good friend of the Party but now in disfavor with the orthodox faction; still has Communist leanings.

Rafael Aguilar, candidate from Cuzco--has long been a good friend to the Communists.

Jose Angel Escalante, candidate for deputy from Cuzco--sympathizer.

Jose Valdivia Manchego, candidate for deputy from Huancavelica--sympathizer.

Humberto Ponce Ratto, candidate for deputy from Huanuco--sympathizer.

Luis Enrique Galvan, candidate for senator from Ayacucho--long known as a good friend of the Party.

Abraham Chavez Riva, candidate for deputy from Ayacucho--sympathizer.

Jose Antonio Lincinas, candidate for senator from Puno--an avowed leftist although in disfavor with the orthodox Party at present.

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Francisco Torres Belon, candidate for deputy from Puno--sympathizer.
 Pablo Apaza Toque, candidate for deputy from Puno--only recently expelled from the orthodox party; still a Communist and influential among Indians.
 Jose Macedo Mendoza, candidate for deputy from Puno--recently expelled from the orthodox Party. A former Communist deputy and closely allied with Apaza.
 Juan Zegarra Villar, candidate for deputy from Puno--party sympathizer and believed to be a member of the Macedo-Apaza group.

3. It should be noted that of a total of 11 congressional candidates in Puno, five have, or have had, Communist connections.
4. The orthodox Party did not support any of the above individuals, to the best of source's knowledge. Instead, the Party was supporting the candidates of the Liga Democratica Nacional until that group was virtually smashed by the disqualification of General Ernesto Montagne's candidacy.

Comment. Luna received a letter from the CTAL secretariat in Mexico City congratulating him on his nomination. The hope was expressed that Luna would be elected and that he would be successful in reorganizing the Confederacion de Trabajadores del Peru (CTP) as an affiliate of the CTAL. The CTP has been non-existent since the military junta has been in power. It was formerly controlled by the Apristas.

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