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7. The last election in the AVP was held in October 1950, and a new election is scheduled to be held in October or November 1951. The present officers are:

Secretary-General	Luis Felipe Bellorin
Alternate	Aquiles Nazoa
Organizational Secretary	Luis Evaristo Ramirez
Alternate	Sergio Antillano
Financial Secretary	Jose Ratto
Alternate	Jose Noguera
Sports and Entertainment Secretary	Oscar Escalona Oliver
Alternate	Graciela Schael Martinez
Minutes and Correspondence Secretary	Simon Alberto Consalvi
Alternate	Pedro Francisco Lizardo
Culture and Propaganda Secretary	Humberto Rivas Hijares
Alternate	Francisco Salazar Martinez
Librarian	Lucila Velazquez
Alternate	Juan Lopez, hijo
Disciplinary Tribunal	Miguel /costa Seignes
" "	Lucila Palacios
" "	Hector /veledo Urbaneja

8. Acosta Seignes is a well known pro-Communist intellectual who is a professor of Anthropology at the Central University.
9. Antillano was reported a member of the PCV in Acui Esta on 7 August 1946. He is shown as a signer of a greeting to Gustavo Machado, PCV leader, published on 18 July 1946 in Ultimas Noticias, and of a greeting to the USSR, published on 11 November 1947 in PRP. A form letter sent to members of the Instituto Cultural Venezolano-Soviatico (ICVS) in May 1951 showed his signature as secretary.
10. Aveledo was reported in July 1946 as a news editor of El Universal and a strong conservative rightist.
11. Consalvi, who is also an CNTP official, is an Accion Democratica (AD) supporter, although he has given support to Communist-sponsored movements.
12. Escalona Oliver is considered to be an independent without political affiliation. He is a social reporter for El Nacional and is publicity director for Bolivar Films. He is about 32 years of age and is considered intelligent. In 1948 he was a member of the board of directors of the SNTP. His name appeared as a signer of a letter protesting the showing of the movie "The Iron Curtain" as war propaganda, published in Tribuna Popular on 6 October 1948. (Doc.)

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13. Lizardo was secretary of the Venezuelan Embassy at Moscow in 1947 and 1948. He is at present an editor of La Esfera and a member of the faculty of the School of Journalism. [REDACTED] Tribuna Popular on 28 September 1949 printed an interview by Lizardo in favor of the Pro-Paz movement. Ultimas Noticias on 26 April 1950 announced that he would speak at the ICVS on Russia. He was shown as a signer of greetings to the USSR on 11 November 1949 in PRP. (Doc.)

14. Nazoa was a candidate for Deputy on the PCV ticket from the Federal District in 1947, according to official election lists. El Universal on 11 May 1951 and El Nacional on 4 October 1950 reported him as scheduled to speak before the ICVS. Siglo on 21 July 1951, commenting on a new book of poems written by Nazoa, described him as a writer and poet, who had written for Horrocoy Azul, pro-Communist newspaper.

15. Noguera, an SMTP official, is an independent photographer who has previously admitted membership in the PCV. His present affiliation is not known, but he has been reported to be a leftist-independent at this time.

16. Lucila Palacios, aka Mercedes Carvajal de Arocha, is a writer who has been active in the Venezuelan Pro-Paz Committee. [REDACTED] El Nacional on 31 August 1949 reported her as a delegate from Venezuela to the International Pro-Paz Conference in Mexico City in September 1949. At that time she was described as secretary of the Venezuelan Committee. (Doc.)

17. Ratto is acting chief editor of El Nacional. He is a Peruvian by birth who has been naturalized as a Venezuelan. He is married and is about 40 years of age. Prior to 1940 he was a Communist sympathizer, but he subsequently became a supporter of General Medina. Recently he has shown signs of swinging back to his leftist sympathies, although he has not outwardly indicated that he is pro-Communist. [REDACTED] His name is included in a list of persons sending greetings to the USSR by PRP on 11 November 1949 and as a signer of a letter protesting the showing of the movie "The Iron Curtain" as war propaganda in Tribuna Popular on 6 October 1948. El Nacional on 26 November 1949 stated he had received a decoration from the Spanish Republican Government. (Doc.)

18. Rivas Nijares is secretary of the School of Journalism of the Central University and is not connected with any newspaper. He is considered an independent by his colleagues but has shown leftist tendencies. In December 1949 he was reported as a member of the ICVS. [REDACTED] In PRP on 11 November 1949 he was listed as a signer of a tribute to the USSR, and on 18 July 1949 he signed a tribute in Ultimas Noticias to Gustavo Machado. (Doc.)

19. Schael was reported by Tribuna Popular on 5 May 1949 as a member of the committee to organize the Feminine Committee for the Struggle for World Peace.

20. Salazar in El Nacional on 3 November 1950 was mentioned as a participant in the ICVS program honoring the 33rd anniversary of the USSR.

21. Velazquez, who was a member of the board of directors of the SMTP in 1949, has been reported to be active in the Agrupacion Cultural Feminina (ACF), a Communist-front organization.

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