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1. The Guatemalan Government has instructed its Ambassador in Buenos Aires to ask the Mexican Ambassador in Asuncion to request, in the name of Guatemala, the Paraguayan Government to transfer Obdulio Barthe, Paraguayan Communist leader, to Guatemala as a political exile.
2. Source commented that this request for transfer of Barthe was merely a "Communist propaganda maneuver to show international solidarity." No further elucidation was given.
3. If this request fails, additional attempts will be made by requests through Mexico or Uruguay, to have the Paraguayan Government agree to transfer Barthe.
4. This indirect approach was made because Guatemala does not maintain a diplomatic representative in Asuncion.

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