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Memorandum for: Director, FBIS
Through : Chief, Operations Group
Subject : Paraguay Bureau Monthly Report--December 1982

1. GENERAL

A. Late in the month Argentine President Bignone said he could promise elections "not later than the first Sunday in November 1983." This did little, however, to appease leaders of all sectors of Argentine life who continue to pressure the government for earlier elections.

B. Paraguay's best known resident opposition figure, Dr. Domingo Laino, ceased to hold that distinction when he was deported to Argentina on the 14th. Laino was arrested the previous day and copies of his about-to-be-published book on the Nicaraguan dictator Somoza confiscated. Comment to date has been uniformly critical and forthright in condemning the government's action.

C. On the 27th, the Peruvian president issued a call for terrorists of the Shinning Path movement (variously said to be Maoist or Pol Pot inspired) to lay down their weapons within 72 hours. When the period expired Belaunde Terry ordered the army to take over antiterrorist operations in three of the country's departments. Thus ended the controversy about using the army to fight terrorists. As late as the 23d, the Peruvian war minister was quoted in an item filed by the bureau as opposing the use of the army because of the danger of innocent civilians being killed.

D. Early in the month, two Argentine cabinet ministers arrived in Asuncion to sign and exchange notes on resuming work on the Yacyreta hydroelectric project in the latter half of 1983. Although there is private speculation that Yacyreta might never get off the ground due to the difficult Argentine economic situation, the presence of the two ministers indicates Argentina is serious about going ahead. If that is the case, Paraguay can expect an economic upsurge similar to that which the Itaipu project brought the country.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Editorial/Monitorial

1. The visit by President Reagan to Brazil during the first few days of the month caused the bureau to institute an open watch on Brazilian radios and a close watch on other media for reports and comment on the visit. The work load during this visit was considerable, and the Bureau was pleased that the President did not, in fact, visit Bolivia ! ✓
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2. The bureau mounted open watches on Argentine media twice during the month. On the 6th, the feuding factions of the labor movement managed to unite in crippling the country during a highly successful 24-hour general strike. The strike took place without any violent incidents, something which could not be said of the demonstration against the government on the 16th organized by Argentina's most important political faction, the Multiparty Group. The demonstration, with its 100,000 participants, was the largest against the government since the military took over in 1976, and the bureau filed a stream of reports on the violence and deaths associated with the demonstration. When it was over the bureau received a message from the Wire stating that consumers were happy with the bureau's coverage.

3. Three Argentine publications, two of which are on bureau coverage, were ordered reopened by the courts after they had been closed down by the military government. By the end of the month the bureau had begun to receive one of these publications again, LA SEMANA.

4. On the 12th, the bureau monitored the first press agency report on the announcement by the Peruvian president of major government changes. Manuel Ulloa, the prime minister and finance minister, resigned and was replaced as prime minister by the current Peruvian ambassador to the United States. On the 16th, a report was received on the resignation of the whole Peruvian cabinet. A new cabinet will reportedly be installed in January with about two-thirds of the incumbents retaining their posts.

5. Special watches were put on Argentine and Uruguayan media during the month to cover the visit to those two countries of the Israeli Foreign Minister.

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B. Lateral Services

Three items were processed at BBC request during the month.

C. Visitors

On 14 December, Mark Woerner, State Department regional personnel officer headquartered in Montevideo, visited the bureau for familiarization and to discuss an upcoming wage and position classification audit.

PARAGUAY BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 1982

<u>TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:</u>	221,160
TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING THE MONTH:	181,160
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING THE MONTH:	40,000
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING THE MONTH:	776

	<u>BROAD-CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS AGENCY</u>	<u>PUBLIC-ATIONS</u>
I. <u>INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:</u>	6,875 (min)	39,390 (min)	169.50 (issues)
II. <u>OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:</u>			
Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish	5,530		
Buenos Aires Argentina Televisora Color Network in Spanish	2,890		
Buenos Aires LATIN in Spanish		10,380	
Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish		13,200	
Buenos Aires NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS in Spanish		15,940	
Buenos Aires DYN in Spanish		11,930	
Buenos Aires Buenos Aires HERALD in English			7,330
Buenos Aires CLARIN in Spanish			3,630
Buenos Aires EL ECONOMISTA in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires GENTE in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires CONVICION in Spanish			2,050
Buenos Aires LA NACION in Spanish			820
Buenos Aires LA PRENSA in Spanish			860
Buenos Aires CRONICA in Spanish			210
Buenos Aires SOMOS in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires SIETE DIAS in Spanish			1,740

BOLIVIA

La Paz Radio Illimani Network in Spanish	3,270
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	<u>BROAD-CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS AGENCY</u>	<u>PUBLIC-ATIONS</u>
La Paz Cadena Panamericana in Spanish	3,770		
La Paz Radio Fides in Spanish	460		
La Paz Domestic Service in Spanish	2,570		
La Paz EL DIARIO in Spanish			280
La Paz PRESENCIA in Spanish			1,680

BRAZIL

Brasilia Domestic Service in Portuguese	4,370		
Porto Alegre Radio Guaiba in Portuguese	1,710		
Sao Paulo Radio Bandeirantes in Portuguese	4,610		
Rio de Janeiro BRAZIL HERALD in English			0
Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese			2,250
Rio de Janeiro LATIN AMERICA DAILY POST in English			1,430
Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			6,380
Rio de Janeiro MANCHETE in Portuguese			0
Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese			6,360
Sao Paulo FOLHA DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			4,590
Sao Paulo VEJA in Portuguese			0

CHILE

Santiago Domestic Service in Spanish	11,670		
Santiago DIPLOMATIC INFORMATION SERVICE in Spanish		850	
Santiago COSAS in Spanish			0
Santiago EL MERCURIO in Spanish			580
Santiago EL MERCURIO EDICION INTERNACIONAL in Spanish			0
Santiago ERCILLA in Spanish			0
Santiago HOY in Spanish			0

	<u>BROAD-CASTS</u>	<u>PRESS AGENCY</u>	<u>PUBLIC-ATIONS</u>
Santiago LA TERCERA DE LA HORA in Spanish			1,000
Santiago QUE PASA in Spanish			0
<u>CHINA</u>			
Beijing in Spanish to Latin America	0		
<u>FRANCE</u>			
Paris AFP in Spanish		18,070	
<u>PARAGUAY</u>			
Asuncion Domestic Service in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Domestic Television Service in Spanish	900		
Asuncion Radio Primero de Marzo in Spanish	180		
Asuncion Teledifusora Paraguaya Television in Spanish	240		
Asuncion ABC COLOR in Spanish			8,610
Asuncion EL PUEBLO in Spanish			0
Asuncion HOY in Spanish			1,170
Asuncion LA TRIBUNA in Spanish			620
Asuncion PATRIA in Spanish			50
Asuncion SENDERO in Spanish			0
Asuncion ULTIMA HORA in Spanish			1,430
<u>PERU</u>			
Lima Radio Union in Spanish	270		
Tacna Radio Tacna in Spanish	140		
Lima CARETAS in Spanish			0
Lima EL COMERCIO in Spanish			4,210
Lima EXPRESO in Spanish			4,030

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Lima OIGA in Spanish			1,430
<u>UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS</u>			
Moscow Radio Peace and Progress in Spanish to Latin America	400		
Moscow in Spanish to Latin America	800		
Moscow in Spanish to Chile	450		
Moscow in Spanish to Cuba	0		
Moscow in Portuguese to Brazil	1,520		
<u>URUGUAY</u>			
Montevideo Radio El Espectador in Spanish	2,300		
Montevideo EL DIA in Spanish			0