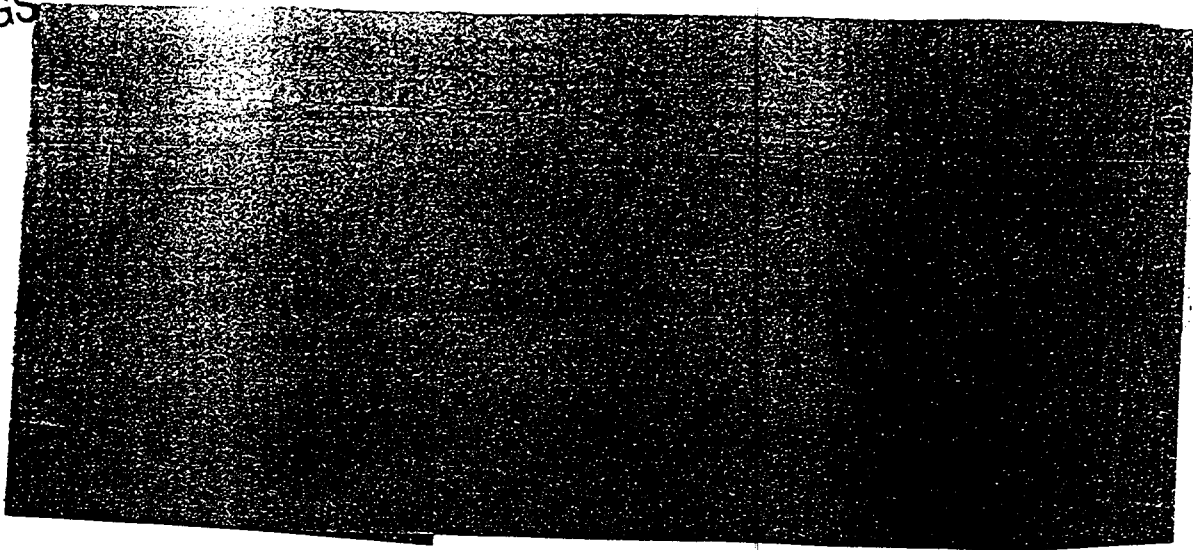


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6. Brazil to Restrict Tour of Cuban President: Cuban President Dorticos will be permitted to give a reception at the Cuban Embassy in Rio de Janeiro during his official visit to Brazil on 30 and 31 May, but President Kubitschek will not attend, according to Foreign Minister Lafer. Lafer told an American Embassy official that Kubitschek will receive Dorticos only at the new federal capital in Brasilia and that the government plans to keep Dorticos' activities there to "an inconspicuous minimum." Dorticos some weeks ago requested an invitation to visit Brazil on his way home from Argentina's sesquicentennial independence day celebration on 25 May. Uruguay reportedly decided to refuse a similar request, but no announcement has been made.

Lafer said the Foreign Ministry fears Dorticos will use his visit, particularly the Rio de Janeiro phase, to propagandize the Cuban revolution. This fear probably has been intensified by recent reports from Brazilian Ambassador Cunha in Havana. Cunha, who has been relatively sympathetic toward the Castro regime, advised the Foreign Ministry in late April that if Fidel Castro did not repudiate Communism in his May Day speech, it would be necessary to conclude that the Communists had gained the upper hand in Havana. The Foreign Ministry was especially alarmed by this assessment in view of Cunha's earlier views.

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The Brazilian Government probably is also fearful that opposition presidential candidate Janio Quadros will arrange an elaborate reception for Dorticos in Rio de Janeiro and that this could lead to disorders. Quadros visited Cuba during late March in an effort to capture the leftist and working-class vote in Brazil. Since his return he has stoutly defended the Cuban regime.

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