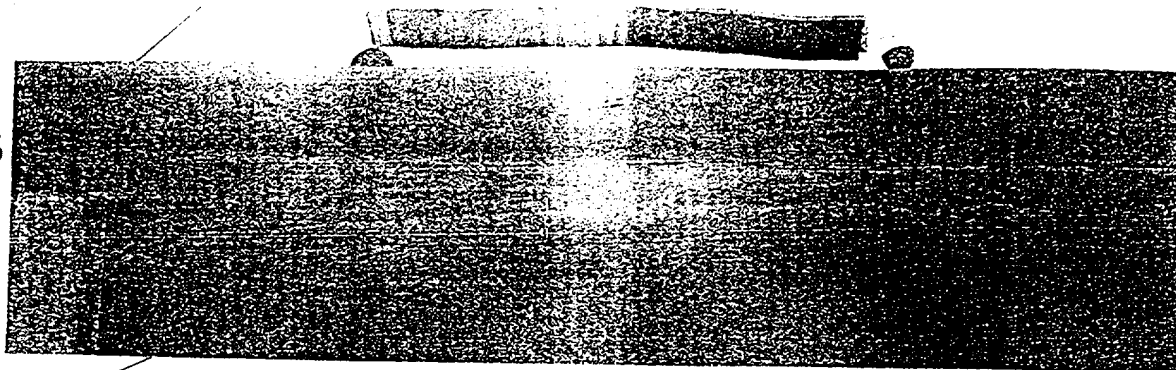


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9. Argentine Communists Exploit Pro-Cuban Activity: Since their return from the Latin American Youth Congress held in Cuba in late July, delegates of the Argentine Communist party (PCA) have displayed considerable enthusiasm for increasing their activity in support of the Cuban revolution. This activity has been a major PCA concern for some time, and Communists are prominent among the extreme leftists organizing various types of pro-Castro groups throughout Argentina, including volunteers to defend Cuba "in case Cuba is invaded." According to the American Embassy in Buenos Aires, it is expected that expanded pro-Castro activity will further the PCA objective of revitalizing the Federation of Communist Youth.

Such activity can also serve as a cover for other Communist activity. Overt PCA activity has been inhibited by government decrees prohibiting Communist political activity and by occasional raids on party centers. Also officially banned, the PRAXIS group of Trotskyite inclination--the Revolutionary Movement of the Left--continues pro-Cuban activity in cooperation with the Peronista-connected Movement of Labor Groups (MAC). Both the PRAXIS and MAC are represented in the Castro-inspired Movement for National Liberation. The government treads more cautiously in restricting pro-Cuban activity than Communist activity, despite the increasing strain in relations with Cuba.

As an aftermath to Cuban Foreign Minister Roa's vituperative attacks on President Frondizi and Argentine policy at the OAS meeting in San Jose, Argentina instructed its ambassador in Havana to return home on 8 September, although there has been no official mention of a break in diplomatic relations.



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