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1. ON 23 MAY,

THE SITUATION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HAS AGAIN BECOME CRITICAL AND THE PROSPECT OF A NATION-WIDE CIVIL WAR IS NOT UNLIKELY. HE ATTRIBUTED THIS SITUATION TO THE POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES AS EXPRESSED BY ADLAI STEVENSON, AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, TO THE EFFECT THAT THE U.S. WOULD NOT ALLOW THE LOYALIST FORCES TO ATTACK THE REBELS.

2. DURING THE NIGHT OF 22 MAY, GEN ANTONIO IMBERT BARRERA, LEADER OF THE GNR, MET WITH JOSE MORA AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION FROM THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES. AT THIS MEETING, IMBERT DEMANDED THAT MORA CLARIFY ONE POINT, I.E., WHETHER THE U.S. ARMED FORCES WERE IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO PROTECT U.S. AND OTHER FOREIGN NATIONALS, OR WERE THEY HERE TO PREVENT THE LOYALIST FORCES FROM FIGHTING THE REBELS. IF THE LATTER WERE THE CASE, IMBERT SAID HE WOULD PROTEST U.S. INTERVENTION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

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3. [REDACTED] REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PARTIDO LIBERAL EVOLUCIONISTA, THE VANGUARDIA REVOLUCIONARIA DOMINICANA, AND THE UNION CIVICA NACIONAL WERE MEETING DURING THE AFTERNOON OF 23 MAY TO CO-ORDINATE A PROTEST OF U.S. INTERVENTION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC IF SUCH ACTION IS NEEDED.

4. [REDACTED] CANNOT UNDERSTAND THE U.S. POLICY WHICH THE GNR INTERPRETS AS TRYING TO PUT THE REBEL GOVERNMENT LED BY COL. FRANCISCO CAAMANO DE NO IN POWER.

[REDACTED] IMBERT AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GNR TOOK THEIR POSITIONS WITH THE GNR ON THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE UNITED STATES. NOW, AFTER HAVING COMPROMISED THEMSELVES, HAVING LAUNCHED THE MILITARY OFFENSIVE WHICH CLEARED THE NORTHERN SECTION OF THE CITY, THE LACK OF SUPPORT IS INTOLERABLE.

[REDACTED] DID NOT THINK THAT IMBERT OR THE MILITARY LEADERS WILL TOLERATE SUCH A SWITCH IN POLICY, AND THUS THE IMAGE OF CIVIL WAR BECOMES REAL.

5. [REDACTED] THE DOMINICAN SITUATION IS GOING TO HAVE AN IMPORTANT EFFECT THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA. IF CAAMANO TRIUMPHS, A COMMUNIST UPRISING WILL TAKE PLACE IN VIRTUALLY EVERY LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRY.

6. ~~[REDACTED] DISSEM. STATE ARMY NAVY AFD~~

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