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Pro-communist and/or Pro-government Propaganda

Reference: HGG-A-540

1. Enclosed is a self-explanatory clipping from Diario de Centro America of 30 November 1953.
2. Although this is an overt matter not ordinarily falling within our province, it is called to Headquarters' attention with the observation that increased dissemination of such "solidarity" propaganda coincides with increased rumors and reports that exiled forces are mounting an invasion (see reference).
3. It appears possible that the government knows of and is placing considerable credence in the alleged invasion plans and is employing the type of propaganda represented by the enclosure to:  
a) rally maximum support, b) whip up nationalistic sentiments, and c) further stigmatize oppositionists as Yankee stooges.
4. There is no evidence that such propaganda has as yet made any new converts but it probably does tend to maintain the unity of the so-called "democratic forces."

Enclosure:

1 clipping as noted

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