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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

FROM LINCOLN INFO PBSUCCESS HQ, C/Guat

SUBJECT { GENERAL  
SPECIFIC } KUGOWN  
SHERWOOD---newspaper clippings

1. Attached are forwarded two newspaper clippings:
  - a) "Guatemalans get appeal to revolt", NY Times of May 5, 1954
  - b) "Localize Radio Glendastina en la Frontera con Honduras", Prensa Libre, Guatemala, May 4, 1954

2. Request that you pass these two clippings as quickly as feasible to [ ] inviting his special attention to the fact that The New York Times alleges that the radio station in question may be located either in Honduras or in Mexico, while Prensa Libre states that it is in Honduras.

3. Please report [ ] reaction as well as any publicity which the same subject may receive in your area (forward clippings to both LINCOLN and HQ).

[ ]  
JEROME C. DONBAR

EFL/d

5 May 1954

- Distributions:
- [ ] (2) both clippings
  - Guat (2)
  - Wash (2) Prensa Libre only
  - Files (4)

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# GUATEMALANS GET APPEAL TO REVOLT

## Existence of Anti-Communist Radio Station Near Border of Honduras Announced

By PAUL P. KENNEDY

Special to The New York Times

GUATEMALA, May 5.—It was acknowledged officially today that a clandestine radio station was broadcasting anti-Communist material and exhorting the country to revolution.

There had been reports the station was operating, but the police remained silent until last night, after the Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labor had brought the matter to the Government's attention.

The confederation reported it had learned the station was in San Marcos Department, near the Mexican border. But the police announcement today said it was believed the station was operating behind the Honduran border.

In the official acknowledgment, the police said the station identified itself as the Voice of Liberation. Its program content, the announcement said, advanced "subversive proposals" and attempted to "excite seditious elements to opposition against the constituted Government."

### Pressure on Stations Cited

The station's existence, which received particular attention in the press this morning, is of interest just now because the announcement comes when pressure on independent radio stations seems to be reaching a climax.

This pressure has been characterized by threats and even violence over the last year, exerted primarily against stations that either have been broadcasting outright anti-Communist programs or have been somewhat anti-Communist in view.

The Government entered the picture last week when the stations received official notice that a restrictive article in the law referring to so-called "radio newspapers" would be strongly observed henceforth. This article requires that programs dealing in domestic or foreign politics must be recorded and presented to Government authorities within twenty-four hours of broadcast time. This is an alternative in which a station may advise the Government of plans for such a program three hours before broadcasting.

### Program Is Canceled

Radio newspapers are a peculiar institution to Guatemala. They are operated by professional newspaper men who buy radio time, arrange and write a program, and sell commercial time. The close tie between these directors with working newspaper men has keenly interested independent newspapers, and especially the influential Guatemalan Journalists Association, in the fate of the programs and their directors.

Last week, Radio Telefunken canceled such a program pro-

duced by Francisco Baeza on the ground it had expressed political thoughts. While not anti-Communist, the program contained occasional items unfavorable to communism.

On April 21, Radio Internacional was invaded by an armed band. Two attendants were severely beaten and the station was wrecked. At that time was broadcasting anti-Communist Hour, a fifteen-minute program sponsored by the Students Anti-Communist Association. The station has returned to the air, but it is not broadcasting the Anti-Communist Hour.

This program, the source of much violence in the last year, has switched from one station to another following incidents. One conductor of the program, Horacio Decordoba, was sent into exile.

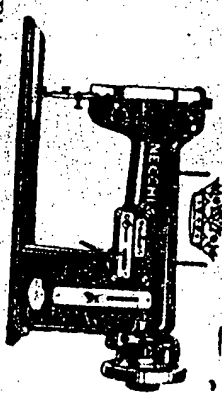
Roberto Witzelino, owner of Radio Continental, which also broadcast anti-Communist material, was forced out of the country and his station dismantled.

Radio Voz Del Capitol, another station broadcasting anti-Communist material, ceased doing so after members of its personnel had been attacked by masked persons.

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## Localizan Radio Clandestina en la Frontera con Honduras 4 Días Desapareció Niño de 10 Años

INFORMACION EN PAGINA 2

INFORMACION EN PAGINA 3



# ARMAS A LAS FUERZAS DEL ANTICOMUNISMO

## Se cree que funciona en algún lugar fronterizo con Honduras

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### Se forman precauciones

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### El encuentro

El encuentro tuvo lugar en una zona fronteriza. Se cree que funciona en algún lugar fronterizo con Honduras. Las autoridades gubernamentales se piden a los países vecinos, como Guatemala, El Salvador y Nicaragua, que se unan a la lucha contra el comunismo.

### Realización de un acto

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Alfama después que duró en el barco la noche del sábado junto a la familia evangélica y que el domingo regresó—siempre sin pagar pasaje— a esta capital.

El encuentro. Es ahora la abuela de Emilio quien tiene la palabra. —Yo creía que mi hijo se había muerto—dice—; como estaba pasando tantas cosas ahora, yo creía desbarancado o algo por el estilo. Quien sabe qué impulso me llevó a la radio TGW la noche del domingo. Yo nunca voy a esos sitios. Pero al dar las diez de la noche, y creyendo que mi esposo se iría a la casa, bajé las escaleras de la casa, bajé las escaleras de que Emilio apareciera. Cual sería pues, mi sorpresa al encontrarlo en el primer piso, todo sucio, con los ojos rojos y un poco mudo. Al verlo así, lo abracé y me puse a llorar de la alegría dándole gracias a Dios.

Por qué? —Por que le fuiste de su caso? —Emilio, ¿cómo? —Destruí el hombre si yo también me fui de mi casa cuando era pequeño. Yo me fui para buscar trabajo. —Yo no quiero estudiar? —Yo sí, pero en la nocturna; de día quiero trabajar para tener dinero.

Al que esta explicación, su abuelita nos explica que ella es pobre, pero que Emilio no lo deja salir a vagar, porque puede agarrar el mal camino, pero que si quiere trabajar y estudiar se preocupe, por busque un empleo «cuidando niños». Ya que está muy pequeño para realizar una clase de trabajo.

—Claro, termina diciendo, que antes de eso, lo llevaré a que lo examine un médico, no sea que esté enfermito.

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