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Chief of Station, Guatemala

LINCOLN

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Comments on HGG-A-900

1. The information contained in Enclosure 3 of Reference and in Enclosure 6 was cabled to CALLIGERIS.
2. LINCOLN has cabled you to effect the recruitment of the Subject of Enclosure 4 of Reference.
3. The news that some funds have been channeled to the prisoners and their families is encouraging; please keep this up for as long as necessary and to the maximum extent possible. The material contained in Enclosure 7 of Reference would lend itself, it would seem to LINCOLN, to careful paraphrase in several threatening letters to the Jefe of the Guardia Civil. These letters should point out to the Jefe that his misdeeds are known and that, unless he immediately changes his treatment of the prisoners, dire retribution will be visited upon him. Then, after the initial letters have been dispatched, a check should be made on the actual conduct of the Jefe; if it does not improve, he should be told that this is his very last chance; if he has improved, favorable comments on his changed manner of treating the prisoners should be made, but he should be told that he has not yet redeemed himself. These letters could conceivably be mailed by followers of ESSENCE from various parts of Guatemala. For your information, we are planning to have telegrams from outside Guatemala sent to both the Judge and the Jefe of the Guardia Civil at Salama.
4. In addition to threatening letters to the Jefe of the Guardia Civil, it is recommended that similar letters be sent to the Judge, particularly with his deliberate mislaying of the petition for medical treatment for Mario SANDOVAL. Such threatening letters to the Judge should also accuse him, of course, of perverting justice out of subservience to the Communists. As in the case of the Jefe, these letters should warn the Judge of swift retribution if he does not

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start exercising justice toward the prisoners.

5. Indiscretions of the type described in Enclosure 8 of Reference have been pointed out to SEMANTIC during his stay in Honduras. ESSENCE is to be commended for his handling of the situation.

6. LINCOLN is pleased with the apparent progress of the "32" campaign. Additional graphic materials in support of this campaign are presently in preparation at LINCOLN.

7. CEUAGE and El Combate have been instructed to reprint the articles appearing in El Rebelde of 7 April. They have also been instructed to credit El Rebelde for the articles, to minimize the impression that the articles were originally fed to El Rebelde from the outside.

8. There is no objection to using ESCOBILLA to develop the subject of HUL-A-377.

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