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**CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM
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Chief of Station, Guatemala [] INFO: Chief, WHD

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Compromising Guardia Civil Diary

Reference: HUL-A-131

1. HEDIGER's report, dated 14 November 1953, reads as follows:

"(ESMERALDITE) has indicated that there is here the widow of the previous chief of the Guardia Judicial (name UNK) who committed suicide. He says this man was in very deep with the Reds and in govt "scandals" and kept a personal file with names, dates, data of all kinds. (ESMERALDITE) says he is "positive" this file is in the hands of the widow and has not fallen into hands of Reds or the Govt. He is not too fully informed on her political coloration, but is at least sure she does not fully realize the value of the file ... he thinks she might sell the file, or allow it to be "borrowed" long enough to photograph. He will, according to my instructions, prepare a more detailed report on this possibility."

2. You will observe that the target organization should be the Guardia Judicial and not the Guardia Civil. The alleged possessor of the diary is the widow of Ruben ROCA Colindres, former Chief of the Guardia Judicial who committed suicide on 29 March 1953 after being replaced on 13 March 1953 by Major Jaime ROSENBERG. At the time (HGG-135) it was reported that ROCA was removed from his post because he had protested the attachment of his property under the Agrarian Reform.

3. A subsequent report was not submitted by ESMERALDITE nor have we received any reports from other sources that would tend to confirm the existence of the alleged records. However, we will attempt to develop additional information through available sources. If anything of importance is developed a report will be forwarded soonest.

George L. Tranger

10 March 1954

GLT/cmh

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