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MASTER FILE

1. HQS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED BY REF A MESSAGE AND ~~THE~~ DOUBTS AND UNCERTAINTIES WHICH IT REVEALS CONCERNING ACTION REQUESTED BY REF B. WE APPRECIATE THAT C] DOES NOT HAVE FULL BACKGROUND CONCERNING THIS MATTER AND THEREFORE NOT IN POSITION COMPREHEND SIGNIFICANCE AND IMPORTANCE OF OUR REQUEST, BUT AT SAME TIME IT SHOULD BE VERY SILENT OPERATION FOR C] EMBASSY OR SOME C] FRIEND TO SUGGEST TO IDENTITY A THAT HE MAKE STATEMENT TO PRESS POINTING OUT THAT THIS CAN BE FOR HIS OWN GOOD IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. IT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS TO IDENTITY A THAT STRONG STATEMENT FROM HIM CONDEMNING ARBENZ REGIME AND GIVING SPECIFICS CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST CONNECTIONS AND CLANDESTINE MOVEMENTS TO AND FRO BETWEEN GUATEMALA AND USSR WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED BY PRESENT REGIME. IF IT NOT POSSIBLE GET THESE POINTS ACROSS TO IDENTITY A HIMSELF THEN IT SHOULD BE VERY EASY FOR SOMEONE TO PRIME REPRESENTATIVES OF PRESS TO APPROACH IDENTITY A WITH QUESTIONS ALONG LINES

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PROVIDED IN REF B MESSAGE.

2. NOW WITH REGARD TO FOREIGN OFFICE ATTITUDE AND COMMENT IN PRESS AND [] QUESTIONS -- THESE ARE PRECISELY THE REASONS WHY IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THIS JOB TO BE DONE AND WELL DONE. BY DINT OF GREAT EFFORT WE HAVE FINALLY SUCCEEDED IN GETTING US PRESS AND CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF FOREIGN PRESS STRAIGHTENED OUT ON THE FACTS, BUT [] PRESS AND PUBLIC OPINION STILL BEING ALLOWED TO RUN AGAINST US. THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE HELP FROM THE [] [] THUS FAR ALTHOUGH WE HAVE RECEIVED SOME USEFUL COOPERATION FROM EMBASSY HERE. THIS IS THE MORE REGRETTABLE IN VIEW OF FACT THAT [] [] HAS BEEN INFORMED OF INACCURACY OF REPORTING BY [] [] GUATEMALA CITY, WHO HAS PARTIALLY CORRECTED HIS PREVIOUS ERRORS, BUT MORE ESPECIALLY IN VIEW US SUPPORT OF [] [] GOVT AT TIME THEIR RECENT TROUBLE [] [] WHICH WAS DONE BY US AT GREAT ~~COST~~ SACRIFICE ^{COST TO OUR} OUR PRINCIPLES AND POSITION THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA.

3. LOCAL EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED MESSAGE SENT TO [] [] JULY 3 PER OUR REQUEST.

END OF MESSAGE

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FRANK G. WISNER
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