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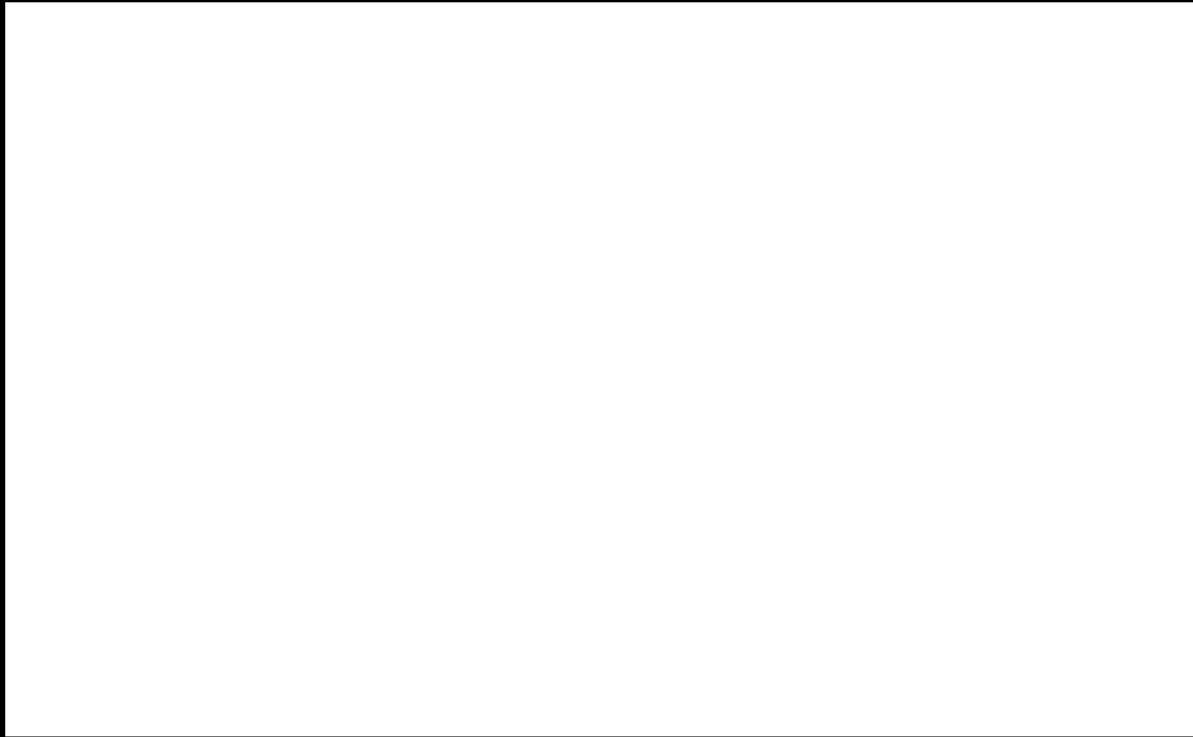
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COUNTRY	Mexico	REPORT NO.	[REDACTED]
SUBJECT	Xavier GUERRERO Saucedo, Mexican Painter, and His Wife, Clara Porset de GUERRERO, Both Communists	DATE DISTR.	4 February 1957
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SOURCE:

Xavier GUERRERO Saucedo, well-known Mexican painter, and his wife, Clara Porset de GUERRERO, interior decorator and furniture designer, are active Communists and contacts of an intelligence officer of the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City. Following is information concerning their contacts, activities, and affiliations from September to November 1956.

1. General Activities

- a. GUERRERO continued his profession as a painter, contacting fellow-artists regarding exhibitions, paintings, and matters relating to the arts, as well as activities of many Communist-front organizations.
- b. Clara Porset de GUERRERO was occupied with her many interior decorating projects, as well as with activities of Communist-front organizations. Expressing her feelings regarding Mexico, she said that she is looking for a way to leave Mexico, to go to a country where the people are less hypocritical and do not use the word "friend" for personal gain. She wondered where she could go and how she could earn a living. She said she would like to go to Cuba, even though the people are thieves, gossips, and intriguers, but at least they do not have dual personalities. She would like to rid herself of all these things in Mexico, because every day she becomes more bitter.

2. Contacts with Soviet/Satellite Diplomatic Installations

- a. Soviet Embassy: During November Yuri Paporov, Cultural Attache and an intelligence officer of the Soviet Embassy, was in frequent touch with Clara Porset de GUERRERO concerning his search for an apartment. Paporov finally rented an apartment, and Clara was to help him with the interior decoration. During September Clara was also in touch with Vera Kubischikova, a Russian interpreter who attended the Twentieth International Geological Congress in Mexico City in September 1956. Clara had met Kubischikova in Moscow.

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b. Czech Legation

On 20 September Ignacio MARQUES Rodiles, a member of the Frente Nacional de Plasticas (FNAP), advised GUERRERO that the Czech Minister to Mexico would be at the FNAP headquarters for an interview.

3. Activities and Affiliations

a. Partido Comunista Mexicano (PCM)

During this period both GUERRERO and his wife appeared to be active in the PCM. They met with J. Encarnacion VALDEZ Ochoa, J. Encarnacion PEREZ Gaytan, Heriberto SAUCEDO, and Dionisio ENCINA, all PCM leaders, as well as other PCM members.

b. Frente Nacional de Artes Plasticas (FNAP)

GUERRERO continued to be an active leader of the FNAP, PCM-controlled group, during this period. He was in contact with its members and attended meetings. Clara Porset de GUERRERO was also active in this group, helping to collect funds and urging members to attend meetings.¹

c. Movimiento Mexicano por la Paz (MMP - Mexican Peace Movement)

Clara Porset de GUERRERO was very active in the MMP during this period. She was in contact with Juan Pablo SAINZ, Dr. Enrique CARRERA, Dr. Guillermo MONTAÑO Islas, Ignacio MARQUEZ, Sergio BELTRAN, and other MMP members. She urged members to attend meetings.

d. Sociedad Mexicana de Amistad con China Popular (SMACP)

The GUERREROS continued as active supporters of the SMACP during this period. In early November GUERRERO informed Paula COMEZ Alonso, SMACP president, that the SMACP should take definite action in order to get permission for the China Opera to appear in Mexico. GUERRERO met with Lic. Benito Coquet Lagunos, of the Subsecretaria of the Presidencia, in an effort to persuade the Mexican Government to allow the China Opera to appear there.² He also complained to Coquet that the Secretaria de Gobernacion (Interior) had been holding two movies for two years, refusing to release them to the SMACP.

e. Circulo de Estudios Mexicanos (CEM)

GUERRERO continued his activities in the CEM during this period.³

f. ...Contacts with Cubans

Clara Porset de GUERRERO and Jose Gumersindo MOREIRA Perez⁴ continued their contacts and meetings during this period.

Elena and Ricardo PORRO, a Cuban couple, visited the GUERREROS in September.

Clara Porset de GUERRERO was in touch with Dr. Mario SALAZAR Mallen⁵ and Manuel MESA Andraca⁶ concerning the entry into Mexico of Nicolas GUILLEN Batista⁷ in spite of the fact that the Mexican Government had revoked a visa given to GUILLEN in Paris.

g. Other Contacts

The GUERREROS were in touch with Miguel Angel VASQUEZ,⁸ of the Fondo de Cultura Popular, an outlet for Communist propaganda.

The GUERREROS continued their friendship and contacts with the group reported previously as GUERRERO contacts.

1. Comment.

[redacted] the Soviet Embassy and the Polish Legation are giving covert financial aid to the FNAP [redacted]; the relationship between Clara Porset de GUERRERO and Yuri Nikolayevich Paporov, Cultural Attache of the Soviet Embassy, might possibly be for this purpose.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] which reported that the Mexican Government would deny visas to the members of the Peking Opera Company which was touring South America. (b)(3)
3. [REDACTED] Comment. On 22 November 1956 El Universal, Mexico City daily newspaper, carried an article in protest to the Catholic Church's entrance into politics. This article was signed by members of the CEM, including GUERRERO, and also by members of other Communist-front organizations. (b)(3)

Headquarters Comments

4. MORERA, a Cuban national, is a member of the executive committee of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de America Latina (CTAL).
5. SALAZAR is an active member of the Mexican Peace Movement.
6. MESA, a well-known Mexican agronomist, is considered a sincere Marxist and admirer of the Soviet Union.
7. GUILLEN, a member of the World Peace Council and a Cuban Communist poet, was attempting to obtain permission to enter Mexico in the spring of 1956. During late October 1956 GUILLEN asked his friends in Mexico to discontinue their efforts on his behalf, as he was planning to go to India. (CS-110640).
8. VASQUEZ is a Salvadoran Communist lawyer who has resided in Mexico for many years.

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