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INTERVENTION OF GENERAL LAZARO CARDENAS TO OBTAIN RELEASE OF ARRESTED PNM LEADER

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FIELD REPORT NO.

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1. ON 7 APRIL 1964 GENERAL LAZARO CARDENAS DEL RIO, PROMINENT PRO-COMMUNIST FORMER PRESIDENT OF MEXICO, PERSONALLY APPLIED FOR AND OBTAINED THE RELEASE OF JORGE SIEGRIST AND JAVIER SALIDO TORRES, SECRETARY-GENERAL AND SUBSECRETARY RESPECTIVELY OF THE PARTIDO NACIONALISTA DE MEXICO (PNM - NATIONALIST PARTY OF MEXICO), WHO HAD BEEN ARRESTED WITH OTHER LEADING MEMBERS OF THE PNM ON 6 APRIL IN MEXICO CITY. CARDENAS INTERVENED IN THE AFFAIR AT THE PERSONAL REQUEST OF DAVID OROZCO ROMO, NATIONAL LEADER OF THE UNION NACIONAL SINARQUISTA (UNS - NATIONAL SINARCHIST UNION), CATHOLIC, ANTI-COMMUNIST POLITICAL ORGANIZATION

2. (FIELD COMMENT. THE LOCAL PRESS OF 8 APRIL REPORTED THAT This material contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C. Secs. 793 and 794, the transmission or revelation of which in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law.

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THE UNS HAD DENOUNCED THE ARREST OF SIEGRIST AND SALIDO. THE PRESS CONFIRMED INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SOURCE TO THE EFFECT THAT OROZCO HAD SENT A TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT ADOLFO LOPEZ MATEOS, ASKING FOR THE RELEASE OF THE PRISONERS.)

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