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DIST 8 OCTOBER 1968

COUNTRY: MEXICO

DOZ : 3-8 OCTOBER 1968

SUBJECT: MEXICO CITY SITREP

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SOURCE :

1. MANY STUDENTS REJECT THE ACCUSATIONS OF SOCRATES AMADO AMPOS LEMUS THAT MEXICO POLITICAL FIGURES HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE STUDENT MOVEMENT. THESE STUDENTS HAVE SUSPECTED FOR SOME TIME THAT CAMPOS LEMUS IS AN AGENT OF THE GOVERNMENT, AND THAT HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO MAKE STATEMENTS TO THE PRESS IMPLICATING THE POLITICIANS. THEY CONSIDER THAT CARLOS A. MADRAZO, ELENA GARRO DE PAZ AND HUMBERTO ROMERO PEREZ SHARE IDEOLOGIES DIFFERENT FROM THOSE OF THE STUDENT MOVEMENT AND OF CAMPOS LEMUS, AND THAT THEY WOULD NOT THEREFORE BECOME INVOLVED WITH HIM.

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2. THE NATIONAL STRIKE COUNCIL (CNH) IS TO BE COMPLETELY RECONSTITUTED, AS WILL BE THE COORDINATING COMMITTEES AND THE STRIKE COMMITTEES. THE ORGANIZATION OF THESE BODIES IS TO REMAIN THE SAME, BUT NEW MEMBERS WILL BE APPOINTED, AND CARE WILL BE TAKEN TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS WHO ARE ADVOCATES OF VIOLENCE AND THOSE SUSPECTED OF BEING TRAITORS TO THE STUDENT CAUSE. THE CNH HAS STATED THAT THE WORK OF THE POLITICAL BRIGADES AMONG WORKERS AND PEASANTS IS TO BE INTENSIFIED. [Redacted]

3. THERE HAS BEEN SOME DISCUSSION AMONG STUDENTS AT THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (UNAM) OF HOLDING A SHORT MEETING ON 8 OCTOBER IN ONE OF THE AUDITORIUMS TO COMMEMORATE THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF CHE GUEVARA, BUT NO DEFINITE DECISION HAS BEEN REACHED.

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4. ONLY THREE HUNDRED FIFTY STUDENTS ATTENDED THE MEETING AT UNAM CALLED BY THE CNH ON THE AFTERNOON OF 7 OCTOBER. SPEAKERS DEVOTED MOST OF THEIR TIME TO ATTACKING CAMPOS LEHUS FOR LEADING THEM DOWN THE WRONG PATH.

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COMMENTS: ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS ON 8 OCTOBER, OTHER STUDENT MEETINGS WHICH HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE AT UNAM AND AT THE NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (IPN)

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ON 7 OCTOBER WERE CANCELLED WHEN LEADERS SAW THAT STUDENTS FAILED TO RESPOND TO THE CALL).

5. ON ABOUT 3 OCTOBER, A GROUP OF STUDENT LEADERS FROM THE NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE VISITED THE OFFICES OF AGOSTIN YANEZ, MINISTER OF EDUCATION, WITH THE PROPOSITION THAT IF YANEZ WOULD ARRANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF ALL IPN STUDENTS NOW BEING DETAINED THE STUDENTS AT IPN WOULD THEN RETURN TO CLASSES. YANEZ DID NOT GRANT THEM AN AUDIENCE, BUT TOLD THEM, THROUGH ONE OF HIS AIDES, TO RETURN ON 4 NOVEMBER. (SOURCE: EDUCATION MINISTRY OFFICIAL WHOSE REPORTING HAS BEEN RELIABLE). (SOURCE COMMENT: FOUR NOVEMBER IS THE DATE WHICH THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HAS ANNOUNCED FOR THE RESUMPTION OF CLASSES. YANEZ HAS NO INTENTION OF ACCEPTING THE STUDENTS' PROPOSAL, AND HE PUT THEM OFF IN THE HOPE THAT BY THAT TIME THE STUDENT PROBLEM WOULD BE RESOLVED).

6. [REDACTED] DISSER: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR FBI CINCSO CINCLANT.

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