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SUBJECT FORMATION OF BLOCK FOR PATRIOTIC ACTION

(BAP) AT UNIVERSITY TO OPPOSE GOVERNMENT

EL SALVADOR

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1. THE NATIONAL OPPOSITION UNION (UNO) HAS APPOINTED GERARDO ANTONIO G O D O Y, A LEADER OF THE NATIONAL REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (MNR), AND JUAN RICARDO R A M I R E Z RAUDA, SECRETARY FOR IDEOLOGY OF THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PDC), AS ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN DISCUSSIONS CURRENTLY BEING HELD AT THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF ^{ALL} EL SALVADOR (UES) CONCERNING ACTION TO BE TAKEN IN OPPOSITION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR (GOES). LARGELY AT THE INSISTENCE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF EL SALVADOR (PCES), THE BLOCK FOR PATRIOTIC ACTION (BAP) HAS BEEN FORMED AT THE UES AS A GROUP THROUGH WHICH THE LEFTIST OPPONENTS OF THE GOES WILL CARRY OUT COORDINATED ACTION. ACTIVE SUPPORTERS OF BAP ARE THE FOLLOWING:

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A. UNO

B. THE PCES-CONTROLLED UNIFYING FEDERATION OF SALVADORAN TRADE UNIONS (FUSS).

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C. THE PCES-CONTROLLED UNION OF SALVADORAN

UNIVERSITY WORKERS (STUS). MAY 3 12 13 PM 1972

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D. THE ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY STUDENTS (AES).

BAP IN THEORY RECEIVES SUPPORT FROM THE UES ADMINISTRATION AND FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY TEACHERS (ASEU), BUT NEITHER OF THESE HAS ASSUMED AN ACTIVE ROLE WHERE BAP IS CONCERNED.

THE SALVADORAN NATIONAL TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (ANDES), ANOTHER THEORETICAL SUPPORTER OF BAP, AVOIDED FURTHER INVOLVEMENT

WITH BAP AFTER RECEIVING AN ADMONISHMENT ON THIS SCORE FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. THE LEADERSHIP OF THE GENERAL

ASSOCIATION OF SALVADORAN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS (AGEUS) IS

DIVIDED ON THE SUBJECT OF SUPPORT TO BAP, ALTHOUGH MANUEL

ASCENCIO VALDEZ RIVERA (COMMONLY KNOWN AS MANUEL RIVERA),

THE AGEUS SECRETARY GENERAL, FAVORS STUDENT SUPPORT TO BAP.

2. BAP HAS NO FORMAL DIRECTIVE STRUCTURE; POLICY AND ACTION DECISIONS ARE ARRIVED AT BY AD HOC COMMITTEES COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS. BAP IS ORGANIZED ON A BASIS OF CLANDESTINE FIVE-MEMBER CELLS. PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS REPORT THAT THEY HAVE ORGANIZED BAP CELLS AS FOLLOWS:

- A. AES - 6 CELLS
- B. STUS - 4 CELLS
- C. PCES - 54 CELLS

COMMENT:

NO OTHER PARTICIPATING GROUPS HAVE ORGANIZED BAP CELLS THUS FAR. RAMIREZ RAUDA HAS BEEN ASKED TO ORGANIZE A FEW CELLS ON BEHALF OF THE PDC, AND THE PDC

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WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO INVOLVE SOME MEMBERS OF THE CATHOLIC CLERGY AND SOME REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL AMERICA (COMMONLY KNOWN AS "CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY") IN BAP. AT PRESENT, BAP IS ENGAGING ONLY IN PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES.

3. THE PDC IS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT BAP AND IS CONTRIBUTING VERY LITTLE TO THIS INITIATIVE. ALREADY THE PDC HAS BECOME AWARE THAT THE PCES IS ATTEMPTING TO SEIZE CONTROL OF THE LEFTIST OPPOSITION MOVEMENT THROUGH BAP, AND IT FEARS THAT THE PCES WILL ATTEMPT TO USE BAP AS A MEANS OF INFILTRATING THE PDC.

4. (EMBASSY COMMENT: GIVEN THE STRONG PCES INFLUENCE IN THIS FRONT, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE PDC WILL GIVE IT MORE THAN MINIMAL SUPPORT.)

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