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SUBJECT ~~Emergence of Jorge Shafick Handal as  
Effective Leader of the Communist  
Party of El Salvador~~

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1. [Redacted] Comment: [Redacted]

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[Redacted] <sup>Russia</sup> Roberto ~~Castellanos~~ Calvo had travelled to Moscow, USSR, to explain to Soviet leaders the serious internal difficulties of the Communist Party of El Salvador (PCES)

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2. Roberto Castellanos Calvo returned from the Soviet Union with indications that the Soviet leaders would follow the PCES faction led by Jorge Shafick ~~Handal~~. This means that Handal is the effective leader of the PCES. Raul ~~Castellanos~~ ~~Figueroa~~ is still a leader, but he can no longer be considered as important as Handal. Raul Castellanos has been requested by the PCES to resign his position at the School of Journalism at the National University of El Salvador (UES) so that he can devote all of his time to PCES activities. He has consistently refused to do this.

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3. ~~Cavetano~~ ~~Sarpio~~, formerly de jure leader of the PCES, continues to organize his own group with more extremist views than the PCES. Roberto Castellanos has told PCES leaders that the Soviets showed no interest in trying to help Carpio in his demands for more violent action.

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4. The negative reaction of the Soviets to Carpio and his movement was confirmed by Fabio ~~C a s t i l l o~~ ~~Riguera~~, extreme leftist Dean of the Faculty of Science and Humanities of the UES. Castillo was in Mexico, City from 9 - 19 April 1970, and during this time he had discussions with officials of the Soviet Embassy. These officials were reluctant to go into great detail with Castillo because he has no official status in the PCES. They did tell him that they were not interested in supporting Carpio at this time.

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