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ROUTINE
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TO: DIR

INFO: SLINC

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RE: DIR 03727 (OUT 51237)

1. LEFTIST GROUPS HAVE PROTESTED "AMERICAN INTERVENTION" IN GUAT. PGE AND FEUE HAVE OPENED REGISTER OF VOLUNTEERS TO FIGHT FOR ARBENZ IN GUAT. VELASCO AGAIN MADE KNOWN HIS OPPOSITION TO INTERVENTION IN AFFAIRS OF AMERICAN STATES.

2. MOST OF LOCAL PRESS HAS BEEN NON COMMITAL BUT HAS SOME WHAT SLANTED PRESS RELEASES THRU HEADLINE TREATMENT IN FAVOR GUAT.

[] TOLD [] THAT FORMER FEARS THAT HIS COMING OUT IN FAVOR REBELS WILL NOT BE WELL RECEIVED BY GOVT IN VIEW OF POSITION VELASCO HAS APPARENTLY TAKEN. HOWEVER [] PROMISED CONSIDER MATTER AND WAS OFFERED FINANCIAL ENCOURAGEMENT TO FAVOR REBEL SIDE OF GUAT STRUGGLE.

3. U.S. NEWS AGENCIES QUOTING CERTAIN U.S. EDITORIALS SPECULATING ON POSSIBLE U.S. INTERVENTION IN GUAT HAVE NOT HELPED SITUATION.

4. LOCAL PUBLIC OPINION MORE OR LESS NEUTRAL UNTIL INVASION STARTED NOW APPEARS TO HAVE TURNED AGAINST OUR POSITION.

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