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TO : 4 DECEMBER 1961 INFO: ROUTINE
CITE: DER 9573
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1. ON 2 DEC COS TOOK AMBASSADOR WASH TO PRIVATE UNOFFICIAL MEETING WITH LITENSOR.
MEETING LASTED ABOUT ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS WITH ONLY AMB WASH [LITENSOR] AND COS
PRESENT. FOLLOWING ARE TOPICS DISCUSSED, BRIEF STATEMENT ON EACH:

A. VISIT OF CPIDEAL TO MEXICO. AMB HAD TELEPHONE CALL FROM CPIDEAL PERSONALLY
TWO WEEKS BEFORE VISIT TO MEXICO BECAUSE CPIDEAL DID NOT WANT TO BE AWAY TOO LONG FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. CPIDEAL SAID HE WOULD
LET ARRIVE WITH HIS WIFE IN EARLY JAN AND HIS AIR CONGRESS RE-CONVENING IN
JAN. (NOTE: ON 1 DEC AMB HAD AT STATE DEPT INSTRUCTIONS SENT WASH TO LITENSOR
THAT CPIDEAL WOULD LIKE VISIT MEXICO ON 15 JAN.) IN TALK ON 2 DEC LITENSOR
EXPRESSED ON JANUARY VISIT SAID WASH "HAD PROBLEM" BECAUSE OF WEATHER (HURRY IN
MEX). AMB BELIEVES REAL REASON WHY LITENSOR [] MEETING AT EARLIEST
POSSIBLE DATE ARE: MILD WILDCAT PRODUCTION, BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM AND
OTHER ECONOMIC PROGRAMS. NOTE: AS OF 4 DEC AMB HAD SENT WORD TO LITENSOR THAT
VISIT CAN BE 27-28 JAN. LITENSOR []

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CHRONO [LITENSOR] MEXICO PRODUCTION AMB WASH FILE

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- B. AGRARIAN REPORT. ALSO TALKED OF POSSIBILITY REPEAT POSSIBILITY OF U.S. HELP IN SETTING UP AGRICULTURAL CREDIT TO SMALL LANDHOLDERS VIA PRIVATE BANKS IN MEXICO. [LITENSOR] VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THIS, SAID IT "TRIPLE A" IN PRIORITY, ASKED AID TO PURSUE. (NOTE: LONG DISCUSSION ON NEEDS OF MEXICAN AGRICULTURE, POSSIBLE REMEDIES, ALSO WILL REPORT FULLY ON THIS.)
- C. COLOMBIA PROPOSAL FOR CAS CONCERNING CUBA. NOTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE CAME OUT TO ADD TO PERMANENCE.
- D. FRONT CIVICO MEXICANO (FRONT LEON). [LITENSOR] REPEATEDLY SAID PERSONALLY THAT HE REQUESTED U.S. BUSINESSMEN STAY OF MEXICAN POLITICS NOT HELP EITHER OR ANY OTHER GROUP, SAID FRONT HAD POLITICAL PLAN. IN CONVERSATION [LITENSOR] SAID MEXICAN GOVERNMENT FULLY ABLE TO FIGHT COMMUNISTS, SAID DID NOT WISH HAVE TO FIGHT ON RIGHT AND LEFT, STATED FEAR OF CATHOLIC CHURCH GETTING TOO INVOLVED IN POLITICS IN MEXICO. [LITENSOR] SAID MEXICAN MOVEMENT WOULD BE LIBERACION NACIONAL HEADED BY LAZARO CARDENAS WOULD BECOME LEGAL POLITICAL PARTY, SAID THIS GOOD BECAUSE THEN THEY WERE EASILY CONTROLLED. NOTE: THIS WILL BE REPORTED IN DETAIL.
- 2. AM DELIVERED WITH FRIENDLY AND WARM MANNER IN WHICH [LITENSOR] TALKED.
- 3. ALSO REPORTED TO DEPT ON ALL ITEMS; WILL NOT MENTION CAS MATTER AT MEETING.

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