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- In conversation with Ambassador evening June 10, Honduran CINC, General Gustavo Alvarez, expressed serious concern over reports he was receiving about situation in Guatemala. According to Alvarez, consolidation of political power into hands of Rios Montt could represent significant victory for the Left and he had heard reports that/Montt was planning a Central American coalition of Mexico, Guatemala and Nicaragua, leaving Honduras and Salvador in the sandwich. Alvarez asked for our latest assessment of the situation.
- Would appreciate any comment you might wish to offer us on foregoing and/or guidance as to what we might tell Alvarez. We of course would like to be as reassuring as possible.

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