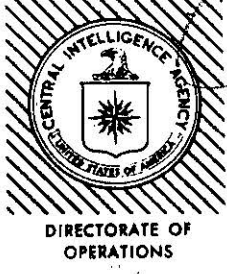


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GENERAL CARLOS SUAREZ MASON, COMMANDER

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[REDACTED] COMMENTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT IT IS TIME TO STOP BEING SO EASY ON THE
TERRORISTS IN THE COUNTRY AND START AN ALL-OUT WAR AGAINST THEM. IN THIS
REGARD, GENERAL SUAREZ MASON WAS CRITICAL OF THE "SOFT" POLICIES OF
PRESIDENT JORGE VIDELA AND HE WAS ALSO CRITICAL OF GENERAL ALBANO
HARGUINDEGUY, MINISTER OF INTERIOR, FOR NOT PURSUING THE
SUBVERSIVES WITH SUFFICIENT STRENGTH AND AGGRESSIVENESS. GENERAL SANTIAGO
OMAR RIVEROS, COMMANDER OF THE MILITARY INSTITUTES [REDACTED]
AGREED WITH SUAREZ MASON AND STATED THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE
THAT IT IS INVOLVED IN A GENUINE WAR AGAINST SUBVERSION AND PROVIDE THE
TROOPS WITH THE NECESSARY FINANCING, WEAPONS AND OTHER SUPPORT.

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[REDACTED] STARTING IMMEDIATELY
THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE WOULD BE TAKING A HARDER LINE TOWARD
THE SUBVERSIVES AND THAT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE HE WANTED NO PRISONERS
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[redacted] GRUMBLING WITHIN THE ARMY RANKS OVER THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY TOWARD SUBVERSION HAS BEEN APPARENT IN RECENT WEEKS, AND [redacted] ASSERTION THAT STARTING IMMEDIATELY THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE WOULD BE TAKING A HARDER LINE TOWARD SUBVERSIVES SEEMED UNEQUIVOCAL.)



[redacted] WHILE SOME OF THE RECENT ACTIONS IN LA PLATA AGAINST SUBVERSIVES REPORTED IN THE PRESS HAVE BEEN LEGITIMATE OPERATIONS, OTHERS HAVE BEEN FABRICATIONS ON THE PART OF THE AUTHORITIES DESIGNED TO EXPLAIN AWAY THE KILLING OF PRISONERS WHO HAD BEEN UNDER DETENTION IN VARIOUS JAILS.

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