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1. IN DISCUSSING FORTHCOMING VISIT OF UNDERSECRETARY ROSTOW FONOFF DIRECTOR GENERAL US AFFAIRS AGUIRRE DE CARCER TODAY STATED HE EXPECTED CONVERSATIONS WITH FONMIN AND AT WORKING LUCH DEC 17 TO BE CONCERNED PRIMARILY WITH POLITICAL AND DEFENSE MATTERS.

2. AGUIRRE TOOK OCCASION EXPRESS IN STRONGEST TERMS GOS UNHAPPINESS AT PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ESTABLISHMENT IBERLANT COMMAND WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE TO SPAIN. HE POINTED OUT IBERLANT AREA INCLUDES WATERS OF GREATEST INTEREST AND CONCERN TO SPAIN. DESCRIBED REACTION AMONG HIGH SPANISH OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SPECIFICALLY FONMIN AND NAVY MINISTER, AS MOST UN-

PAGE TWO RUDKMD 1542 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ FAVORABLE. THAT US HAD NOT SEEN FIT CONSULT GOS ON THIS MATTER APPEARED CLEARLY CONTRARY TO SPIRIT 1963 JOINT DECLARATION, SHOWED LACK ELEMENTAL CONSIDERATION FOR SPAIN'S LEGITIMATE INTERESTS, TO SAY NOTHING OF DISCOURTESY.

3. WE DO NOT RECALL HAVING BEEN ALERTED TO DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT IBERLANT. EXPECT MATTER WILL BE RAISED WITH UNDERSECRETARY ROSTOW. DUKE
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By JC, NARA, Date 8-7-01

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