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MANUEL ULLOA

Just to wind up the history of Señor Ulloa's visit to Europe. He left on Friday last finally for Lima. He left expressing regret that he had not been able to see you this time. Although, like most Latin American politicians, he has a desire to please, I think that that is true. He hopes still to play a part as a peace maker. The fact that he openly criticises and privately wishes to communicate is typical, though as a rich man who was once looked as Rockefeller's man in Peru in the last resort he will not wish to quarrel with the US or the West as such. I think he is still apprehensive of his own generals. It seems to me desirable to keep talking to him if only because he may be useful ultimately and because he is a source of information about Argentina. He said that he hoped very much that we would not bomb Argentinian air bases since "that would lead to a situation very difficult to control". He admitted that less conventional (and more effective?) means of getting rid of the Etandardes, which had already been mentioned as a possibility in the press, would be easier to cope with (perhaps because the Argentinians would not like to admit such a thing had occurred).

DR RAFAEL CALDERA

Dr Caldera tells me, through a source in the Venezuelan Embassy, that his president, Señor Herrera Campins hopes to send a delegation to Britain to discuss the Guyan question with us. The person mentioned as a possible leader of the delegation, Ignacio Iribarren, an ex. foreign minister and ex. ambassador here, is a fine man and an anglophil.

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