

INCOMING TELEGRAM Department of State

SECRET

48
Action

SS
Info

NNNESB818EXX531 MOA 635
OO RUEHC
DE RUESMO 148 0641720
ZNY SSSSS
O 051714Z

005062
1966 MAR 5 PM 12 48

FM (AMEMBASSY MEXICO)
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC (IMMEDIATE 1816)
INFO RUESGT/AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA IMMEDIATE 106
STATE GRNC
BT
SECRET FEBRUARY 5

L I M D I S

DEPTEL 1618 INFO GUATEMALA 434.

1. WE BELIEVE THAT IN CIRCUMSTANCES ENVISAGED REFTEL, GOM WOULD CLOSE BORDER TO PREVENT MOVEMENT OF SUBVERSIVES. THIS MIGHT BE DONE EITHER SPONTANEOUSLY BY GOM, AT REQUEST OF GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT IF SUCH IS RECOGNIZED BY MEXICO AT TIME, OR POSSIBLY AT REQUEST OF OAS. IN LATTER CASE REQUEST WOULD PRESUMABLY BE DIRECTED OTHER CONTIGUOUS COUNTRIES.
2. BORDER WOULD PROBABLY BE CLOSED EFFECTIVELY AT REGULAR OR

PAGE 2 RUESMO 148 SECRET
ESTABLISHED CROSSING POINTS, BUT DETERMINED EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT LIMITED CLANDESTINE MOVEMENT, IN MORE REMOTE AREAS, WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY SUCCEED. GOM MIGHT PLACE SURVEILLANCE ON KNOWN AND MORE DANGEROUS SUBVERSIVES AND TAKE STEPS TO PREVENT THEIR APPROACHING BORDER AREA.

GP-1.

FREEMAN
BF

Advance copy to S/S-O at 1:05 p.m. 3/5/66
Passed to White House at 1:30 p.m. 3/5/66

(2)

SECRET