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Secret documents of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United States

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Subject: The secret documents of the
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of the United States.

Encl.: three documents

Cuban Minister of Industry Che Guevara made two secret documents of the United States public at the CIES conference in Montevideo. The documents were passed to the Cuban government by "friendly hands" in a way not specified further. One of the documents is addressed to the United States' ambassador to Venezuela, in which the members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs present the principles concerning the Venezuelan economic policy. The other secret document contains a summary report on the position of Latin-American states and the Latin-American public opinion concerning Cuba.

Both documents are extremely valuable. Their authenticity cannot be doubted, as even the American delegate Dillon participating at the Montevideo conference did not dare to doubt their authenticity.

The publication of the documents made an extremely great impression both at the conference and in Venezuela. The Venezuelan America-friendly government protested in a note to the Cuban government, they considered the publication of the document interference in their internal affairs. In their reply to the note, the Cuban government explained in detail that the publication of the document took place just in the interest of Venezuela and other Latin-American peoples. /I have sent the press cuts of the notes in a letter/.

I do not wish to make any special comment on the documents themselves, they speak for themselves. I suggest that their exact Hungarian translations should be sent to all our embassies to Latin-America or maybe to all our embassies to capitalist countries. Our embassies to Latin-America and Washington should study the documents thoroughly by all means. I request you to inform our Embassy also about the opinions concerning this.

I have expressed our gratitude in a note to the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Affairs for sending the document.

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to Comrade Foreign Minister Endre Sík
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