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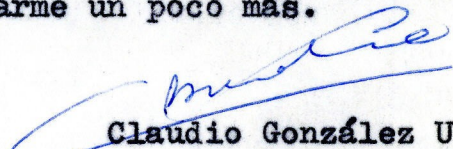
Roberto Kozak me entregó "en forma confidencial" una copia de esta consulta que él hiciera a Icem-Geneva, debido a que algunas veces había conversado sobre el tema.

También me manifestó que no tenía inconveniente en que te lo diera a conocer "confidencialmente".

No sé si no has escrito o si las cartas se han extraviado, aunque recibí tu saludo de Navidad que agradezco, pero nos interesa tener unas respuestas tuyas - si es que las hay-:

- a.- Proyecto de Asesoría Técnica, del cual hablamos en el Aeropuerto. ¿Hay alguna novedad?
- B.- Acerca del trabajo sobre la consulta ¿?

Saludos a toda la familia, perdona estas cartas tan desordenadas y al lote, pero estoy tratando de comunicarme un poco más.

  
Claudio González U.

GENEVA  
FROM SANTIAGO 20.01.78

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POTENTIAL MIGRATION FROM SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRIES AND ICEM'S  
PARTICIPATION STOP

JOHN DINGES, CORRESPONDENT SGO WASHINGTON POST, TIME AND ABC  
RADIO HAS BEEN COLLECTING INFORMATION THIS SUBJECT AND UPON  
RETURN BOLIVIA APPROACHED THIS OFFICE STOP IN VIEW AS084 21/4/77  
EYE INDICATED WAS NOT IN POSITION PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION STOP  
HE STATED VERY LITTLE HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED IN USA AND THAT HE  
INTENDED TO PRODUCE SEVERAL ARTICLES STOP HE ALSO SAID ACCORDING  
INFORMATION OBTAINED BOLIVIA ICEM HAS BEEN AND IS INVOLVED, THERE-  
FORE AN OFFICIAL ICEM HQS' POSITION ON THIS ISSUE AND A STATEMENT  
OF WHAT HAS AND HAS NOT OCCURRED UP TO NOW WOULD ALLOW HIM TO  
CLEAR UP A LOT OF SPECULATION AND PRESENT AN ACCURATE PICTURE STOP  
HE WOULD LIKE HQS ANSWERS MAINLY FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. IS ICEM "SPONSORING" PLANS TO SETTLE RHODESIAN FARMERS OR  
OTHER WHITES FROM SOUTHERN AFRICA IN LATIN AMERICA?
2. ARE FUNDS AVAILABLE, IN THE PIPELINE. OR OTHERWISE ALLOCATED  
BY GERMANY OR OTHER COUNTRIES FOR PROGRAMMES OF MIGRATION OF  
AFRICAN WHITES TO LATIN AMERICA?
3. WHAT KIND OF APPROACHES, APPEALS FOR AID, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
OR GO-BETWEEN CONTACT HAS BOLIVIA MADE DIRECTLY TO ICEM? IS  
ICEM, OR HAS IT BEEN, INVOLVED IN SECRET CONVERSATIONS WITH  
BOLIVIA ON THE SUBJECT?
4. IN WHAT WAY HAS ICEM PARTICIPATED IN THE BOLIVIAN PROJECT TO  
CREATE A COLONY IN BENI PROVINCE OF SOME 30.000 WHITE FAMILIES  
FROM SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRIES? AT WHAT STAGE ARE THOSE PLANS  
AT PRESENT?
5. CAN YOU CONFIRM THE INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO AN ICEM SPOKES-  
MAN IN THE GUARDIAN WEEKLY 1 MAY 1977 THAT QUOTE BOLIVIA HAD  
APPROACHED THE WORLD BANK, THE INTERAMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK  
AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS FOR FINANCIAL AID UNQUOTE WITH THE  
PLAN TO SETTLE WHITE AFRICANS IN THE COUNTRY?  
WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVISE

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- AAA - EVER SINCE FEBRUARY 1977 WHEN THE NEWS CONCERNING ALLEGED PARTICIPATION OF ICEM IN A SCHEME TO RESETTLE WHITE RHODESIAN IN BOLIVIA APPEARED IN THE PRESS THE DIRECTOR OF ICEM HAS REPEATEDLY DENIED THE EXISTENCE OF SUCH A SCHEME IN ICEM'S PROGRAMME.
- BBB - THE ICEM COUNCIL HAS MET TWO TIMES SINCE THE NEWS FIRST APPEARED AND AT NO TIME WAS THERE ANY MENTION MADE OF THE ALLEGED SCHEME.
- CCC - WHEN THE FALSE NEWS APPEARED PURPORTING TO INVOLVE THE WORLD BANK IN SUCH A SCHEME THE DIRECTOR OF ICEM RECEIVED AN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE WORLD BANK PARIS OFFICE DENYING THAT ANY SUCH PROJECT HAD BEEN PRESENTED TO THE BANK TO WHICH THE ICEM DIRECTOR REPLIED THAT ICEM HAD NOT STATED THAT THE WORLD BANK WAS INVOLVED BECAUSE ICEM DID NOT KNOW OF ANY SUCH SCHEME.
- DDD - THE ICEM DIRECTOR MET WITH SIX MEMBERS OF THE GENEVA UNITED NATIONS CORRESPONDENTS GROUP ON 16 JANUARY CONCERNING OTHER MATTERS BUT HE TOOK THE OCCASION TO ONCE AGAIN DENY TO THE PRESS THAT ICEM HAD HAD ANY SUCH SCHEME IN ITS PROGRAMME. THE ANSWERS TO MR. DINGES' SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ARE:
- ONE - NO
- TWO - NOT TO ICEM'S KNOWLEDGE
- THREE - NONE AND NO. THE ONLY OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ICEM AND BOLIVIA HAS BEEN TO REPEATEDLY STATE TO THE BOLIVIAN AUTHORITIES THAT ICEM HAS NO SUCH SCHEME IN ITS PROGRAMME
- FOUR - IN NO WAY
- FIVE -- THE GUARDIAN ARTICLE OF 1 MAY 1977 NOT KNOWN HERE. IN THE GUARDIAN DAILY OF 20 APRIL AN ARTICLE APPEARED AGAINST WHICH WE PROTESTED STRONGLY IN LETTERS 21 APRIL. AS FAR AS ICEM KNOWS GUARDIAN ARTICLE 20 APRIL BASED ON NEWS PUBLISHED BY NEWSPAPER "PRESENCIA" LA PAZ IN FEBRUARY MARCH 1977. SUBSEQUENTLY THE MIR BOLIVIA DISTRIBUTED PHOTOCOPY OF AN ALLEGED INTERNAL BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENTAL MEMORANDUM REFERRING TO THE ICEM LATIN AMERICAN SEMINAR OF 1976 IN SAN JOSE. THE INFORMATION SUPPOSEDLY LED FROM AN OFF THE CUFF, COFFEE BREAK DISCUSSION WHEN SEVERAL DELEGATED WERE CHEWING THE FAT ABOUT POSSIBLE MANPOWER RESOURCES FOR MUCH NEEDED SKILLED PERSONS TO HELP THE LATIN AMERICAN ECONOMIES IN THEIR DEVELOPING PROCESS. ICEM, THE WORLD BANK, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT HAVE ALL SUBSEQUENTLY DENIED THAT A PROGRAMME LIKE THIS EXISTS EITHER ACTUALLY OR IN THE PLANNING STAGES.

THE POSITION AS OUTLINED ABOVE DOES NOT PRECLUDE THAT ICEM AS AN EXPERIENCED MIGRATION AGENCY COULD ASSIST IN ANY CRISIS SITUATION SHOULD ITS MEMBER GOVERNMENTS DEEM IT NECESSARY TO OPERATE EMERGENCY AIRLIFTS.