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U.S. EMBASSY LINKED TO POPULATION PROFILING; RIGHTWING U.S. SENATOR CONFIRMS COUP PLOT

May 1, (IPS)—The Latin American Labor Committees (CLLA) learned from reliable sources this week that the U.S. Embassy in Lima, Peru is involved in a profiling operation of the Peruvian population, reportedly funded by the Agency for International Development (AID), a well-known arm of the CIA. News of this population profiling comes amidst preparations by the CIA and right-wing layers in the Peruvian military for a coup against the government of President Gen. Francisco Morales Bermudez. U.S. Senator Jesse Helms' (R-NC) office yesterday confirmed that coup preparations are ongoing.

An aide to reactionary Sen. Helms declared that "sources inside Peru have indicated that there will be a (rightwing) coup within a month...they tried one last month," which was stalled when Morales Bermudez "closed a couple of communist newspapers to pacify the right wing." "The only way for the (Peruvian government) to be pro-American is for there to be a coup."

Senator Helms, in an hysterical anti-communist speech to the Senate Tuesday, ranted that Peru may become a Soviet and Cuban beachhead in the Western Hemisphere, charging that according to "an absolutely reliable source in Peru," there are "4000 to 5000 Cubans disguised as technicians" in that country. Peruvian Ambassador to the U.S., Carlos Garcia Bedoya, termed Helms' charges "hallucinations."

Helm' tirades against Peru are part of a renewed effort by Rockefeller forces to destabilize the government of President Morales Bermudez and provoke war with Chile along the lines of the RAND Corporation's "Second War of the Pacific" scenario. This intensification of the destabilization campaign follows the failure of the Peruvian right wing to force the purge of pro-debt moratorium Foreign Minister De la Flor and other top progressive nationalists within the government.

U.S. EMBASSY LINKS TO POPULATION PROFILING

IPS was informed this week that U.S. Embassy cultural attache Francis Cogler and anthropologist Mrs. Robert Dean, Brazilian-born wife of U.S. Ambassador Robert Dean, are involved in population profiling through AID-funded "anthropological studies," work-

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ing in conjunction with the leading Peruvian thinktank, the Institute of Peruvian Studies (IEP). The IEP was created by the Cornell School of Industrial and Labor Relations in the early 1960's, and funded by the Ford Foundation and Department of Defense, as a permanent base of operations and recruitment for U.S. thinktank operatives working on population profiling for the counterinsurgency purpose of social control and manipulation.

Profiling studies and information, collected and conduited through the U.S. Embassy, the IEP and the Ford Foundation local office in Lima, like the notorious "Operation Camelot" in Chile in the early 1970s provide the basis for the counterinsurgency planning of such notorious operatives as Luigi Einaudi. Einaudi, RAND director of Latin American affairs and currently top advisor to U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, has profiled the Peruvian military extensively since 1964.

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