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SPECIAL NOTICE: It has come to the attention of the Executive Council that the report of the House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations Hearings of July 31, 1969, released in printed form October 27, 1969, pp. 1709 — 1710, includes as item "A":

"Latin American Studies Association, \$ 75,000. Government Affairs Committee to work up staff guidance and counseling function to assist Bureau. (Modified SEADAG approach)."

A later entry states:

"The organization has agreed to cooperate with SCD in helping to meet the above needs."

The Executive Council, with the assistance of concerned members, has thoroughly investigated the history of the statements in question and asserts categorically that neither the Government Relations Committee nor the Executive Council proposed any projects or requested any funds. In reply to a LASA request for an explanation, a letter dated November 4, 1969, was written by ROBERT E. CULBERTSON, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Social and Civic Development, whose office was responsible for inserting the item in question, to the President of the Latin American Studies Association. The letter states that:

"The LASA item was included in the list without consultation with representatives of LASA. We did not regard this as necessary, since LASA had a request for such assistance, nor had AID made any corresponding of the first offer."

The letter further states:

"You may thus be assured that there is at this time no understanding, no project, nor a commitment of any kind on the part of AID to LASA or vice versa."

NATIONAL MEETING: The July-August issue of this *Newsletter* gave the dates of the forthcoming LASA National Meeting as April 16-17, 1970. Please note that the correct dates for the National Meeting are April 17-18, 1970 at the Statler Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C. Those wishing further information concerning the Meeting are asked to write to the Secretariat, LASA/Hispanic Foundation, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DECISIONS: To the Members of the Latin American Studies Association — at the Executive Council Meeting held in San Francisco, November 14-15, 1969, the following decisions were accepted as future procedure for all business meetings of the Association:

- 1) The Executive Council will decide on all motions and resolutions to be considered at a business meeting to be held at future National Meetings. Such motions and resolutions should be submitted to the Executive Secretary two weeks prior to the Meeting so that they may be circulated and placed on the Agenda.
- 2) Only bona fide LASA Members, i.e., voting Members in good standing, will be admitted to the business meeting.

REMINDER: The Secretariat of LASA wishes to remind members to please send in their dues as soon as possible so that they may be included in the 1969-70 Membership List now being compiled. Those

Members who have not returned their ballots for the election of the 1970 Executive Council are reminded that the deadline is December 10, 1969.

LASA COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY RESOURCES COMPILES PUBLICATIONS MANUAL: The Committee on Scholarly Resources of the Latin American Studies Association is cooperating with the Hispanic Foundation, under the guidance of DR. HOWARD F. CLINE, to develop and publish a technical manual to aid college and university librarians engaged in building basic Latin American collections for teaching purposes. Compilation of the guide has been based on reading lists of publications used in courses submitted by professors of Latin American courses.

Further information will be released through the Newsletter.

HANDBOOK OF LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES: The Hispanic Foundation in the Library of Congress announces No. 30 in its annual series, the *Handbook of Latin American Studies*. The volume reviews books and articles in the humanities, from and about Latin America, and is priced at \$25.00. In addition, the Hispanic Foundation has published a highly useful Author Index to the *Handbook*... Numbers 1-28, 1936-1966. The Author Index includes references to some 50,000 people who have written books or articles about Latin America over the past thirty years. It is also priced at \$25.00. Both volumes are available by writing to the University of Florida Press, 15 N.W. 15th Street, Gainesville, Florida.

A CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES has been created at California State College at Long Beach. THEODORE E. NICHOLS, Professor of History, has been appointed Director. CSCLB, with 28,000 students, is the largest of California's nineteen state colleges, and has long had an interest in Latin American studies. The initial project of the Center is the sponsorship of an interdisciplinary program leading to a Certificate in Latin American Studies. Brochures describing this program will be mailed out later this year. For further information, please write to the University.

HAMLINE UNIVERSITY: Hamline University has received a grant from the Louis W. and Maud Hill Family Foundation of St. Paul to establish an International Studies Center at the College. The Center, established in September, 1969, is directed by DR. WESLEY ST. JOHN, Professor of Political Science at Hamline.

The Center will enable Hamline to significantly expand existing programs in international education and to create a variety of new on- and off-campus study opportunities and overseas study projects. A major objective of the Center will be to emphasize and relate the contributions of various academic disciplines to the study and comprehension of international affairs.

The Center will also provide guest living facilities for international visitors and scholars and specialists from other countries whom Hamline, under the grant, will bring to the campus for short-term teaching posts and special lectures.

NEW LATIN AMERICAN PROGRAM FOCUSES ON CONTEMPORARY CUBA: A program for the study of revolutionary Cuban political, economic, social and cultural life is now underway at the University of Pittsburgh. Entitled "Cuba: A Decade of Revolution, 1959-1968" it consists of a series of public lectures, films, plays, and an interdisciplinary course, "Socialist Cuba." The program is sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies under a grant for the University Center for International Studies, with support from the Pitt Student Union.

The Lecture series is open to the general public as well as the University community and is presenting well-known specialists from throughout the country. The speakers, all of whom have published books on Cuba and have done field research there, represent differing ideological viewpoints.

The Hillman Library at the University of Pittsburgh has been developing a substantial Cuban collection which is now estimated to be the fourth largest in the country. It contains more than 2,500 books dealing with revolutionary Cuba, as well as 34 Cuban journals; the Latin American bibliographer, EDUARDO LOZANO, has exerted great efforts to acquire these holdings and is now in the process of purchasing current periodicals through the Instituto del Libro in Havana, and in importing books from Cuba under authorization recently obtained from the United States Government.

LATIN AMERICAN AREA FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE AT SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY: The Foreign Area Fellowship Program has announced that it plans to offer research training and interneships in Latin America and the Caribbean for the academic year 1970-71. Awards are available in a variety of fields. Winners will be offered stipends and expenses (including travel and limited research expenses) for dissertation, and postdoctoral research for appointments in government, experimental or professional institutions dealing with specialty. Applicants need not be Latin American or Caribbean specialists but must have or plan to acquire the language competence necessary to carry out their proposed program. For further information, write to MIKE DE GRAFFENRIED, Editor, SLU Noticias, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri 63103.

CEE: The Centro do Estudios Educativos, A.C. (Educational Research Center) of Mexico City is a private, non-profit institution, dedicated to educational research in Latin America and particularly in Mexico.

Established in November 1963 by a group of leading representatives of private enterprise in Mexico, it has rapidly developed and gained a solid reputation as an outstanding institution in its field.

The purpose of CEE is to supply the urgent needs of research, to make the most of available resources, and further quantitative and qualitative improvement of Latin American education. All accepted projects for contract research must fit within the framework of the aims of CEE. Foreign institutions wishing to contact CEE for contract research should ask for Form No. 1001.

Those wishing further information may write to: Centro de Estudios Educativos, A.C., Culiacan 108-4a, Apartado No. 27-321, Mexico 11, DF.

VILLA JONES: Word from DR. ROBERTO C. JONES, Director of Villa Jones — a Mexican-American cultural center in Mexico City, which performs valuable services for visiting scholars — is that the support which the center has been receiving from USIS is going to be discontinued for budgetary reasons, thus making continuation of the center problematical. Accordingly, Dr. Jones is appealing for help from Latin Americanists, both those who have used the center's services in the past and those who have not, but wish to express their support, for any contributions they can make available. The address of the Villa Jones is Chilpancingo 23, Mexico 11, D.F.

LAMA: The Inter-American Scene, an educational publication of Language Americas Association (LAMA). Published quarterly. \$6.00 per year. For further information write: LAMA, 1250 National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20004.

A JOURNAL CALLED PROLOGUE: The National Archives has begun publication of Prologue: The Journal of the National Archives. It is a triannual, scholarly journal, the first issue of which appeared in June 1969. Intended as a vehicle of communication between the National Archives and its users, the journal will contain articles that are designed to draw attention to the holdings of the National Archives, Regional Records Centers, and Presidential Libraries. It will include discussions of major archival problems and programs and it will seek to keep its readers informed of recent accessions and exchange. Subscription rates are \$2.50 for 1 year, \$4.50 for 2 years, or \$6.00 for 3 years. A sample copy of the first issue can be obtained by writing to Editor, Prologue: The Journal of the National Archives, National Archives Building, Washington, D.C. 20408.

SLAVIC BIBLIOGRAPHY: As part of the growing links of communication to facilitate scholarly research in all parts of academia, the Latin American Studies Association would like to announce that the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies is compiling a bibliography, The American Bibliography of Slavic and East European Studies.

The *Bibliography* attempts to chronicle American and Canadian scholarship in all disciplines related to Eastern Europe. It tries to include all the scholarly production published in the United States and Canada and all of the work of scholars resident in these countries published anywhere in the world in a given year. There are no restrictions on the language of publication.

For the purposes of the *Bibliography*, Eastern Europe will be defined as the Soviet Union (including the Baltic States and Soviet Central Asia), Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, Albania, and Finland. Work in the politics, economics, and government of the German Democratic Republic is also included. The editors are also eager to include studies dealing with the relations of the Eastern European nations with other areas of the world as well as comparative studies involving Eastern Europe.

In order to gather material for the *Bibliography*, approximately 500 American and European journals and series are searched on a regular basis (a partial list can be found in the most recent issue of the *Bibliography*). Scholars working in any field who have published work involving Eastern Europe are requested to send copies or bibliographic data relating to their publications, especially those published in Eastern Europe or in journals not regularly checked, to the Editor: PROFESSOR KENNETH E. MAYLOR, *The American Bibliography of Slavic and East European Studies.* The Ohio State University, 1841 Millikin Road, Columbus, Ohio 43210.

THE LATIN AMERICAN CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO, with the assistance of LASA, is handling the lecture tour arrangements of two Argentine specialists scheduled to visit the U. S. during the spring semester. The aim is to make short-term research travel possible for scholars unable to sacrifice the amount of time involved in fellowship or visiting professorship arrangements by the simple expedient of defraying expenses through honoraris and travel allowances from lecture engagements. Speakers are as follows: in the field of law and criminal sociology, Dr. Victor J. Irurzun, federal criminal court judge, professor, Univ. of Buenos Aires and published scholar in the field of sociology. Author, Un ensayo sobre la sociologia de la conducta desviada, 1964; Sociedad y derecho, 1967; La sociedad carcelaria, 1968, and others. In literature: Horacio Jorge Becco, distinguished young

poet, critic, bibliographer and literary scholar. Author, Diálogo del hombre y la llanura, 1959; contemporary segment, Bibliografia de la literatura hispanoamericana, soon to be published by UNESCO, Paris; contributions to the OAS Diccionaria de la literatura Hispanoamericana: Argentina, 1960, and Capitulos: la historia de la literatura argentina, 1967-68. Address booking inquiries to Latin American Center, UNM, Albuquerque, N. M. 87106.

VISITING SCHOLARS: The Secretariat is compiling a list of Latin American educators interested in academic positions in the United States. The following Curriculum Vitae are on file at the Secretariat:

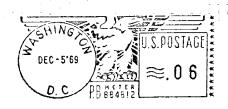
REINALDO ANTONIO TEFEL VELEZ — Political Science, Born, Nicaragua, September 10, 1925. Bachiller en Ciencias y Letras, Instituto Pedagógico de Managua, 1943; Degree in Law, Universidad Central, Nicaragua, 1948; studies in Political and Economic Sciences, Universidad de Madrid, 1949-1951. Sr. Téfel Vélez is the author of monographs and articles on social change in Central America, law, social and political science; and has participated in conferences and seminars both in the social sciences and law. He has been a consultant to the Nicaraguan government and delegate to various congresses sponsored by Central and South American organizations. Sr. Téfel Vélez's activities in international affairs and the many offices he has held have given him a broad and thorough knowledge of Latin American affairs.

DR. RICARDO ROJO — Law, Buenos Aires. Author of *My Friend Che*, he is a prominent civil-liberties attorney in Buenos Aires and has spent the last twenty or so years defending politically unpopular prisoners. Most recently he was the defense lawyer for Cirio Bustos, at the trial of Regis Debray in Bolivia. At the present moment he is living in Madrid, exiled by the Ongania regime in connection with his alleged complicity in the events of May, 1969 in Buenos Aires and Rosario. Those wishing further information concerning Sr. Rojo's search for a job in the United States, may write to MARK FALCOFF, Department of History, 359 Armory Building, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois 61820.

DR. TOCARY BASTOS — from the University of Belo Horizonte, is a Visiting Professor of Political Science at the University of New Mexico for the academic year 1969-1970; his special field of interest is Brazilian politics, especially the role of the elites. He is available for speaking engagements this year, and is also interested in obtaining a position in the United States for the coming academic year.

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