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SUBJECT: PQD REQUESTS OFFICIAL RECOGNITION AS POLITICAL PARTY

1. ON OCTOBER 30 PRO-WESSIN DEMOCRATIC QUISQUEYAN PARTY (PQD) ANNOUNCED TO PRESS IT HAD REQUESTED CENTRAL ELECTORAL BOARD FOR OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF PARTY FOR ELECTORAL PURPOSES. PQD SAID IT HAD DEPOSITED DOCUMENT CONTAINING 150,000 SIGNATURES (ACCORDING LISTIN ACCOUNT: 125,000 ACCORDING CARIBE), ALLEGEDLY OBTAINED IN 90 DAYS (SOME 40,000 SIGNATURES IS MINIMUM REQUIREMENT).

2. ACTING AS SPOKESMAN, PQD EXEC COM PRESIDENT GUILLERMO JIMENEZ SAID PQD WOULD PARTICIPATE IN BOTH 1968 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS AND 1970 GENERAL ELECTIONS, WITH EX-GENERAL WESSIN Y WESSIN AS ITS PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE IN LATTER. (LISTIN VERSION QUOTED SPOKESMAN AS SAYING THAT WAS SURE WESSIN WOULD ACCEPT CANDIDACY IF PQD OFFERS IT CARIBE, THAT WESSIN IN AGREEMENT TO CANDIDACY).

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3. PQD STATES IT HAS MALICE TOWARD NONE, RATHER IS FORCE FOR "NATIONAL CONCORD" AND "DEMOCRATIC UNITY". WHILE IT WOULD

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