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SUBJ: ELECTORAL BOARD RECOGNIZES PRSC AND ANOTHER INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT

1. MARCH 7, CENTRAL ELECTORAL BOARD (JCD) OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED PARTIDO REVOLUCIONARIO SOCIAL CRISTIANO (PRSC), RAISING TO SIX TOTAL PARTIES ELIGIBLE PARTICIPATE IN MAY MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS. JCE ALSO RECOGNIZED THIRD INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT, "MOVIMIENTO RESTAURADOR DE VILLA BISNO" (SANTIAGO PROVINCE).

2. NUMBER OTHER INDEPENDENT MOVEMENTS REPORTEDLY HAVE FILED DOCUMENTS AND LISTS SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR RECOGNITION, INCLUDING: "MOVIMIENTO UNIDO INDEPENDIENTE DE VILLA ALTAGRACIA"; "UNION PEDERNALES APARTIDISTAAZ (UAPA); "AGRUPACION INDEPENDIENTE CONCILIATORIA COTUISANA"; "MOVIMIENTO INDEPENDIENTE

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"REVOLUCIONARIO DELA ROMANA" (STILL MUST FILE SOME DOCUMENTS);
AND "AGRUPACION INDEPENDIENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE CEVICOS."
NUMEROUS OTHER MOVEMENTS IN FORMATION, INCLUDING "MOVIMIENTO CANDIDATURA MUNICIPAL INDEPENDIENTE" (HEADED BY PQD NATIONAL DISTRICT DISSIDENTS) AND "MOVIMIENTO DE UNIDAD CAPITALENA" (LED BY NOMINAL PRDISTA FRANK CAMPOS VILLALON).

3. COMMENTING TO PRESS, MARCH 6, BALAGUER REPORTEDLY STATED

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ELECTIONS WILL BE "MOST FREE" AND THAT THREATENED ABSTENTION
SOME OPPOSITION PARTIES AN "ERROR." IN DEMOCRACY, PARTIES
SHOULD NOT ONLY PARTICIPATE IN ELECTION TO WIN, BUT ALSO LOSE,
BALAGUER DECLARED, INDICATING BELIEF REAL REASON FOR
ABSTENTIONS THAT OPPOSITION "FEARS BEING SMASHED"
(PRESUMABLY BY REFORMISTAS). MARCH 7, PQD PUBLISHED AU
PAID ADVERTISEMENT LETTER TO BALAGUER, AGAIN CONDITIONING
ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION ON LIFTING ENTRY BAN AGAINST WESSIN.

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