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22. DETAILS:1(U) On 10 September 1977, the popular daily, La Opinion, published an article of an interview with Brigadier General JUAN BAUTISTA SASSIAIN Commander of the X Infantry Brigade. General SASSIAIN told reporters that the success of the military's countersubversive campaigr has forced the terrorists to reorganize and change their tactics. He explained that the gierrillas are organized into five columns in the Greater Buenos Aires Area. Each column has its own commander and secretariates for military, political, propaganda and indoctrination operations. In addition, the columns are further subdivided into territorial, labor union, and combat cells. See the enclosed diagram for the territorial organization of the five columns.

2. (U) General SASSIAIN continued by saying that unions are no longer easy vehicles for the terrorists to use. He alluded to the fact that under government guidance, the unions are now democratically operated and the terrorists can no longer remain members without discovery. Consequently, the subversives have shifted their attention to the infiltration of the industrial sector. The first phase of their new tactic is to infiltrate a firm and form clandestine cells. During the second step, the terrorists will attempt to gain control of the workers' delegation (representatives to management). If the second step is unsuccessful, the subversives will form their own clandestine workers' delegation and operate covertly. The last phase consists of coordinated terrorist activity in the plant or factory.

COMMENT: (C) The Army's intelligence community has long been aware of the terrorists' reorganization and their plans for the factories. Until General SASSIATN made his declarations, however, this information remained classified and closely held in the intelligence community. Nevertheless, the X Brigade Commander's comments appear consistent with the Army's Pyschological Action Program and is part of a continuing effort to better inform the public of terrorist activities.

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