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Enclosed is the report on Cuban publications which the Department forwarded under the above-referenced transmittal slip for review and return. The necessary revisions have been made, on the basis of data currently available to the Embassy, and additional information will be sent to the Department as soon as it is obtained.

The Embassy has noted that a large number of magazines belonging to the communist Asociación de Prensa Obrera de Cuba (grouping of the communist Confederación de Trabajadores de Cuba) have been listed in the attached report, whereas only one of the non-communist APOC magazines (grouping of the non-communist CTC) is carried. The Department may wish to include in its subsequent report the enclosed list of non-communist APOC magazines and certain independent publications, communist as well as non-communist. (The Embassy wishes to point out that much confusion has arisen concerning the political orientation of Cuban labor magazines following establishment by the communists of their own APOC and the use of names for their periodicals which are almost identical to those carried by the non-communist APOC.)

One newspaper which has been omitted is the communist daily Hoy, which reappeared on August 26, 1951. (Ref. Embassy's Despatch No. 369 of August 30, 1951). Abbreviated information on this publication also appears on the attached list.

As for the newspapers being published in the interior of Cuba, it may be said that the majority are friendly to the United States and, in general, support democratic principles. Nationally, they are divided in so far as support for the various parties is concerned, although the larger number backs the present administration.

For the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.:

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1. Revised report on Cuban publications
2. Supplementary report on Cuban publications

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Magazines Belonging to Non-Communist Asociación de Prensa Obrera de Cuba

Name	When Published	Circulation	Key Personnel	Controlling Interest	Date of Establishment	Political Orientation and Comments
<u>Unidad Gastronómica</u>	Monthly	5,000	Directors-- José Velázquez and Rodolfo Tacoronte	CTC	1951	Democratic. News organ of the National Federation of Waiters.
<u>El Tabacalero Cubano</u>	Monthly	5,000	Directors-- Manuel Campaneria Rojas and Ramón Martínez	CTC	1946	Democratic. News organ of the National Tobacco Workers Federation.
<u>El Obrero Panadero</u>	Monthly	1,000	Directors-- Luis Bello and Juan Bautista Rodríguez	CTC		Democratic. News organ of the National Bakery Workers Syndicate.
<u>Espuma</u>	Monthly	1,000	Directors-- Domingo Llerena and José A. Marrero	CTC	1944	Democratic. News organ of the Office Workers Syndicate.
<u>En Pie</u>	Monthly	2,000	Directors-- Rodolfo Tacoronte and Narciso Mora	CTC	1949	Democratic. News organ of Cafe & Soda Fountain Workers Syndicate.
<u>Educación Obrera</u>	Monthly	1,000	Directors-- Julio González, Jr., and Manolo San Martín	CTC	1949	Democratic. News organ of the Autobuses Modernos Workers Union
<u>El Arte Culinario</u>	Monthly	2,000	Directors-- Luis Vega Suárez and José Alvarez Micheltorena	CTC	1943	Democratic. News organ of Professional Cooks

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Name	Published	Circulation	Key Personnel	Controlling Interest	Date of Establishment	Political Orientation and Comments
<u>Nueva Era</u>	Monthly	1,000	Directors-- Benigno Arrebola Valdés and Andres Cao López	CTC	1949	Democratic. News organ of APOC.
<u>Juventud Obrera</u>	Monthly	3,000	Directors-- Hector Jorge and Hector de Cárdenas	CTC	1949	Democratic. News organ of younger labor groups.
<u>Cuba Industrial</u>	Monthly	3,000	Directors-- Antonio Arrebola González and Alberto Folgueiras	CTC	1949	Democratic. News organ of workers in foodstuffs industries.
<u>Superación Sindical</u>	Monthly	1,500	Directors-- Agustin Falcon A., and Florencio Domínguez Merique	CTC	1948	Democratic. News organ of tobacco sellers union.
<u>La Estrella</u>	Monthly	1,500	Directors-- Antonio Arrebola and Manuel González	CTC	1949	Democratic. News organ of La Estrella Candy and Cracker Factory workers.
<u>Fibra</u>	Monthly	1,000	Directors-- Pascasio Lineras López and Tomás Pérez Arias.	CTC	1946	Democratic. News organ of textile workers.
<u>Aerovoz</u>	Monthly	1,500	Director-- Carlos Sánchez White	CTC		Democratic. News organ of airline workers.

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Name	When Published	Circulation	Key Personnel	Controlling Interest	Date of Establishment	Political Orientation and Comments
<u>Azucar</u>	Monthly	3,000	Director-- Carlos Montenegro	CTC		Democratic. News organ of workers in sugar industry.

(Communist Publications)

<u>Mella</u>	Monthly	2,000 (Est.)	Director-- Raúl Valdés Vivo	Partido Socialista Popular		Gives heavy support to all communist policies.
<u>Educación y Propaganda</u>	Monthly	2,000 (Est.)	Directed by National Committee of PSP	PSP	1949	Deals with national and international topics, giving heavy support to Kremlin policies.
<u>Cascabel</u>	Monthly	2,000 (Est.)	Director-- Francisco Rodríguez Piedra	Probably PSP	1951	Magazine for children. Slanted heavily to support party line.

(Independent Publications)

<u>El Automovil de Cuba</u>	Monthly	2,000	Directors-- Fernando López Ortiz and Antonio López Llobet	Fernando López Ortiz	1916	Democratic. Champions interests of persons connected with auto agencies and garages.
<u>Lux</u>	Monthly	1,200	Directors-- Angel Cofiño and José Lavín	Acción Sindical Independiente	1951	Democratic. Voice of independent gas & light workers union. (F.S.P.E.G.A.)

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<u>Alas Cubanas</u>	Monthly	5,000	Directors-- Tano Gómez and Ramón Aymerich	Ramón Aymerich	1946	Democratic. Circulates among workers with different airlines.
<u>República</u>	Monthly	2,500	Directors-- Dulce María Sálas and Ramón Aymerich	Ramón Aymerich	1946	Democratic. General circulation.
<u>Fraternidad</u>	Monthly	2,500	Directors-- Leonardo Lelyen and Guillermo Tejeiro	Ignacio Lima and Felipe Wong Ponce	1934	Democratic. Circulates mainly within Chinese colony.

(Newspapers)

<u>Hoy</u>	Daily except Monday	15,000	Directors-- Anibal Escalante, Communist Representative in Cuban Congress	Communist PSP	1937	Communist. Organ of Partido Socialista Popular; follows Kremlin line, attacks U. S. strongly.
<u>La Campaña</u>	Supposed to be daily; comes out about once each month.	Probably no more than 500 each issue.	Director-- Isidoro Merino	Isidoro Merino		Anti-United States (Opportunist).
<u>Diario del Comercio</u>	Supposed to be daily; appears sporadically.	Probably no more than 500 each issue.	Director-- Gonzalo Menéndez Vélez	Gonzalo Menéndez Vélez	1948	No particular policy. Deals in economics, finance.