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MEXICAN LABOR PARTY DEMANDS IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION OF ATTEMPTED MURDER OF PLM MEMBER

MEXICO CITY, June 13 (NSIPS)--Members of the Executive Committee of the Mexican Labor Party (PLM) today demanded an immediate investigation into the attempted assassination of PLM member Marcelino Barbosa. Barbosa, a Professor of Physics at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, was deliberately struck by an automobile at 6 p.m. yesterday as he stepped into an intersection in the southern section of Mexico City.

As Barbosa began to cross the street to meet other PLM members on the other side, a white Datsun with license plate number 763-BSY ran a red light at high speed and struck him. The car threw him 25 feet down the street and then attempted to run him over. Witnesses at the scene screamed "assassin!" as the car swerved and sped off. Barbosa was hospitalized with serious fractures.

The leaders of the PLM said that the automobile that hit Barbosa was immediately pursued by another car, a black Galaxie without license plates, that did not return to the scene of the attack.

The leaders of the PLM declared that, "This attempt occurred in the context of an intensification of illegal operations against various members of the PLM, and these operations are directed by the National Security Council of the U.S. and its networks in Mexico under the control of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger. These attacks have occurred after the PLM widely denounced terrorist operations aimed at destabilizing the government of President Luis Echeverria and preventing the implementation of a New World Economic Order." Kissinger, the PLM noted, has been in Mexico since June 10.

The spokesmen of the PLM emphasized that they "demanded an immediate investigation of this criminal attack and the series of recent attacks against worker organizers of the PLM which have included arbitrary firings and terror operations against workers' families.

The PLM noted two further significant features of the attempted murder. White Datsuns have been identified as the model cars frequently used by the CIA-controlled terrorists of the 23rd of September League. In addition, the modus operandi of the attempt

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parallels closely the international operations of goon squads of the Spanish Communist Party under the leadership of CIA agent Santiago Carrillo. Carrillo is known to be very close to the Mexican Communist Party, which has functioned in Mexico as a defender of and political front group for the 23rd of September League.

In their statement, the PLM leaders emphasized the Kissinger direction of the attacks on both the PLM and Echeverria and linked them directly to plans of Kissinger and his mentor Nelson Rockefeller to impose genocidal economic and political measures on Mexico that would reduce the country's population by half.

The PLM announced a press conference for Tuesday at 12:30 at which they will provide further details of the assassination attempt, the wave of attacks against the PLM and Kissinger-directed terrorist operations inside Mexico.