GUATEMALA

RECOGNITION OF THE ORELLANA GOVERNMENT BY THE UNITED STATES[1]

813.00/1170 : Telegram

The Chargé in Guatemala (Curtis) to the Secretary of State

GUATEMALA, *January 12, 1922—9 p.m.*
[Received January 13—12:13 p.m.]

7. The Assembly this afternoon gave first of three daily readings to a resolution reported by special committee declaring the Union non-existent and Guatemala again an independent republic.

General Orellana today issued a decree calling the elections for February 15th to 22nd. The Liberal Party will choose candidate January 22.

CURTIS

814.00/632 : Telegram

The Chargé in Guatemala (Curtis) to the Secretary of State

GUATEMALA, *January 22, 1922—10 p.m.*
[Received January 23—8:50 p.m.]

9. Convention of the Liberal Party this afternoon nominated Orellana. Ubico[2] had previously pledged adherence to the decision of the convention.

CURTIS

702.1411/80a : Telegram

The Secretary of State to the Chargé in Guatemala (Curtis)

WASHINGTON, *January 28, 1922—5 p.m.*

4. Department has advised Secretary of Treasury and Governor of New York that it is informed that Muñoz will perform the functions of the Consulate General of Guatemala in New York, and that it considers it desirable as a practical matter that agents of this Gov-

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[1] For previous correspondence, see *Foreign Relations*, 1921, vol. II, pp. 178 ff.
[2] General Ubico, also, had been a candidate for the nomination.

ernment should raise no question as to lack of formal recognition of Muñoz and to deal with him in the transaction of business as with his predecessor. You may informally advise authorities to this effect, making it clear that such action does not constitute recognition but is taken simply to avoid inconvenience and loss to commercial interests.

HUGHES

814.00/653 : Telegram

The Chargé in Guatemala (Curtis) to the Secretary of State

GUATEMALA, *February 22, 1922—4 p.m.*
[Received February 23—1:35 p.m.]

17. Election finished. Legation latest returns are over 168,000 for General Orellana the only official candidate, and about 400 scattering.

In addition to the disturbances reported in my telegram February 7 [*17*], 5 p.m.,[3] there was an uprising at Escuintla on Saturday night with at least 7 killed. Apparently there has [*have*] been no other disorders of this sort.

CURTIS

814.00/662 : Telegram

The Chargé in Guatemala (Southgate) to the Secretary of State

GUATEMALA, *March 4, 1922—noon.*
[Received 9:57 p.m.]

21. Inauguration of Orellana as President of the Republic took place this morning. His address emphasized the necessity of political peace and hard work.

SOUTHGATE

814.00/677 : Telegram

The Chargé in Guatemala (Southgate) to the Secretary of State

GUATEMALA, *April 11, 1922—5 p.m.*
[Received April 12—9:30 a.m.]

28. General amnesty has been decreed. All political prisoners except those actually engaged in acts of violence have been released.

SOUTHGATE

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[3] Not printed.

814.00/666 : Telegram

The Secretary of State to the Chargé in Guatemala (Southgate)

WASHINGTON, *April 15, 1922—4 p.m.*

10. You are instructed to inform the Government of Guatemala that the President has determined to recognize the Orellana Government as the Government of that Republic. You may, at the same time, express to the Minister for Foreign Affairs the gratification caused this Government by the resumption of the friendly relations which have so long continued between the two Republics.[4]

HUGHES

[4] This instruction was carried out on Apr. 17 (file no. 814.00/682).