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TELEGRAM 67

Rio de Janeiro, November 24, 1953

CONFIDENTIAL. IMPORTANT.

## COMMERCIAL ARREARS

Reference: My tel. No. 66 of November 24th.

Word of first payment reached us from Royal Bank who received today 45 thousand dollars.

## SECTION B

COLOMBIE: RECONNAISSANCE DE GOUVERNEMENT  
 COLOMBIA: RECOGNITION OF GOVERNMENT

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TELEGRAM 24

Bogotá, June 14, 1953

IMMEDIATE

General Rojas, Commander-in-Chief, assumed Presidency at 22 hours Saturday without firing a shot. Surprise Coup d'État said to have forestalled the move by right wing conservatives and seems to rejoice moderate elements of all parties. Ospina<sup>9</sup> supporting Coup d'État. Liberal press announces era of hope. New President says armed forces to rule pending the restoration of constitution necessary for genuine democratic elections, render homage to Colombians in Korea and proclaim the respect of all International Agreements. Bogotá absolutely calm except enthusiastic crowds that acclaim Rojas and Ospina and country reported peaceful. Former President Gomez reported home under guard and his newspaper failed to appear Sunday. Please advise.

<sup>9</sup> Mariano Ospina Pérez, l'un des chefs du Parti conservateur de la Colombie.  
 Mariano Ospina Pérez, one of leaders of Conservative Party of Colombia.