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INFORME DE HENRY ALLEN

The situation in South America
Report of Henry Allen²⁴
South-American Representative of the Pan-American Agency²⁵ of Com-
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Arrived in Buenos Aires on May 1st, 1921 after much trouble and delay. Got in touch with Masevich's organization²⁷ but found that he had gone back to Russia a few days after he arrived. Found out through Secretary of union that a Communist Party existed and within a few days got in touch with its headquarters and get an interview with the Central Executive Committee. Presented my credentials and after a thorough grilling I was notified that I would receive an answer in about a week.

The CEC seemed to be suspicious about me and my credential which bore names totally unfamiliar to them. Furthermore, Masevich has told nothing about the Pan-American Bureau and its mandate from Provisional Council of the Red Trade Union International²⁸. Moreover, Masevich had brought no money with him, as I had been led to expect, to carry on work for the RTUI propaganda. Masevich himself did not seem to be well thought of by the Argentine Party²⁹ because of his activities in Argentine and the lies he

²⁴ "Henry Allen" fue el seudónimo del comunista estadounidense Maximilian Cohen enviado a Sudamérica por el Buró Panamericano en 1921.

²⁵ Buró Panamericano (Agencia Americana) de la Komintern fue fundado en otoño de 1920 y existió hasta inicios de 1922.

²⁶ "Charles Scott" fue seudónimo de Karl Janson, uno de los tres miembros del Buró Panamericano.

²⁷ Mijail Mashevich (1884–1951) fue a Moscú como representante de la Unión Obrera Socialista Rusa (luego rebautizado como el Grupo Comunista Ruso) en Argentina y asistió al II Congreso de la Komintern, aunque no fue reconocido como delegado oficial.

²⁸ Internacional Sindical Roja – Profintern.

²⁹ Se refiere al Partido Socialista Internacional de Argentina (en 1920 fue renombrado al Partido Comunista de Argentina).