

Department of State

TELEGRAM

UKJ

UNCLASSIFIED 1347

PAGE 01 LA PAZ 03173 240531Z

ACTION

43
ACTION AID-20

INFO OCT-01 /021 W

092403

R 232025Z APR 76
FM AMEMBASSY LA PAZ
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 465

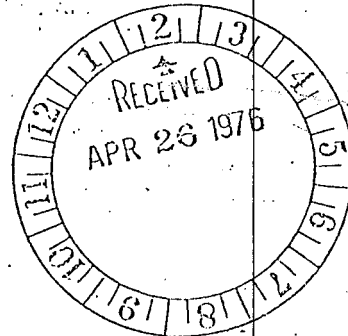
UNCLAS LA PAZ 3173

AIDAC

PERSONAL INFORMATION

E.O. 11652: N/A
SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY

REF: STATE 87755



1. ACCORDING TO USAID/BOLIVIA MISSION FILES MR. ANTONIO VECIANA WORKED UNDER 2 CONTRACTS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF BOLIVIA AS A COMMERCIAL BANKING EXPERT (ECONOMIST) AND PROVIDED HIS SERVICES TO THE BANKING DEPARTMENT OF BOLIVIA'S CENTRAL BANK AND LATER ON TO THE BANCO AGRICOLA DE BOLIVIA AS WELL. BOTH CNTRACTS WERE FINANCED BY THE USAID MISSION TO BOLIVIA.

2. UNDER BOTH CONTRACTS THE GOB GRANTED MR. VECIANA "EXEMPTION FROM THE PAYMENT OF ALL NATIONAL, DEPARTMENTAL OR MUNICIPAL TAXES EXISTING OR TO BE CREATED ESPECIALLY INCOME TAX AND SURTAX (GLOBAL COMPLEMENTARIO)...."

3. MR. VECIANA WAS A NON-RESIDENT ALIEN OF U.S. WHOSE LEGAL ADDRESS HE CLAIMED TO BE "APARTADO DEL ESTE 11257, CARACAS, VENEZUELA."

4. UNDER CONTRACT AID/GOB-511-56, WHICH BEGAN ON AUGUST 1968 AND RAN OUT ON AUGUST 11, 1970 MR. VECIANA RECEIVED HOUSING ALLOWANCE, TRAVEL COSTS FOR HIM AND HIS DEPENDENTS, AND TRANSPORTATION OF UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE UP TO 300 POUNDS GROSS FOR HIMSELF AND EACH MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY. HIS SALARY WAS AUGUST 1968-AUGUST 1969 \$22,000.00 PER YEAR

UNCLASSIFIED