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PM recently received Política Obrera 294 (May 1, 1979), which contains a Declaration of the Fourth Internationalist Tendency, said to have been constituted April 6 at a meeting in Lima. In addition to Política Obrera and the Bolivian POR, groups are claimed in Chile, Venezuela and Brazil.

One axis of the document is the denunciation of the rapprochement between the FI and the OCRFI as "a shameful capitulation of those who until yesterday had held high the banner of struggle against Pabloite revisionism". Much of the document is spent critiicising alleged deviations on the Unions and on the organizations question by the OCI, and on such a super-abstract level it's impossible to tell exactly what they're talking about.

The rest of the document is a critique of the FI's supposed federationism, plus a denunciation of our supposed "Castroism", and from their discussion of these it is clear that if they've read the documents, they remember very little.

The main point is that people should put no hope on a regeneration of the FI, people should be on guard against subjective attitudes of wanting to be in a big Trotskyist organization, etc., etc. They also promise "at an opportune moment" a critique of the documents being submitted to the upcoming workd congress. Copy attached.

--José