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In connection with our recent investigations on the ligand exchange processes in five-coordinated phosphoranes and phosphonium salts a new, one-pot synthesis of various N-carboxylotriphenylphosphinimines  $\underline{1}$  and N-amidotriphenyl-phosphinimines  $\underline{2}$  has been devised. The key intermediate, phosphonium salt  $\underline{4}$ , was obtained in quantitative yield by the reaction of  $\operatorname{Ph}_3\operatorname{PCl}_2$  with cyanate salts  $\operatorname{Pb}(\operatorname{OCN})_2$  and NaOCN. When alcohols or amines were present, salt  $\underline{4}$  was converted into 1 and 2:

All these reactions are completed in five hours at  $-30^{\circ}$ C, giving the final products  $\underline{1}$  and  $\underline{2}$  in high yield. The low temperature  $^{31}$ P NMR spectroscopy reveals the formation of three types of intermediates:

$$Ph_3\stackrel{+}{P}-OCN X$$
  $Ph_3\stackrel{+}{P}-NCO X$   $PH_3P=N-\stackrel{O}{C}-X$   $\frac{3}{X}$   $\frac{4}{Y}$   $\frac{5}{Y}$ 

On the basis of the intermediates observed some mechanistic conclusions will be presented.