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The 1977 Staff Study and Comments on Book II of the SSC Final Report contains the following comments w/ respect to two Jack Anderson columns dated 1/19/77 and 5/10/77:

1. Antonio Veciana contacted the Agency on three occasions for assistance in an assassination plot against Castro: 12/60, 7/62 and 4/66. On each occasion he was turned down.
2. Veciana was never an agent for the Agency, the Agency never had any contractual relationship w/ him, & he was never paid any CIA funds.
3. Veciana was registered in the ISR by the U.S. Army in 11/62, and terminated w/o prejudice in 7/66.
4. ~~Alpha 66~~ The Agency had no responsibility for or sponsorship of Alpha 66.
5. The Agency files contain no indication that any CIA

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officers ever used the name  
Morris Bishop AS AN ALIAS,  
NOR THAT ANYONE NAMED  
Morris Bishop WAS EVER  
employed by the Agency.  
6. The three attempts by  
Veciana to secure Agency assistance  
for his anti-castro activities  
are as follows:

(a) 12/60: contacted COS  
in Havana, James A. Noel.

(b) 7/62: interviewed at his  
request by Harry Neal from  
DCD in New York. Veciana  
asked <sup>Neal</sup> for <sup>an</sup> interview w/  
A senior CIA officer.

There is no record that  
the Agency ever acted upon  
this request.

(c) 4/66: LA Division  
officer John R. Lucy,  
using <sup>as</sup> alias John Livingston,  
met w/ Veciana in  
New York City. The  
meeting was arranged  
through James Cogswell,  
A retired naval officer.

Veciana was never encouraged on

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Any of the three occasions  
to follow through w/ his  
ASSASSINATION PLANS.

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