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Dear Bob:

This letter is to correct some observations made in my earlier letter of 23 February about the Cuban exile organizations. I seem to have misunderstood some of the views given me by my colleagues at the meeting at which we put together our comments. Call it an "errata sheet" on my efforts, if you will; perhaps it was in the euphoria over the readability of the draft! (U)

MIRR (C)

In addition to commenting on the incorrect description of CIA relations with Johnson and Sturgis, it is noted that the source used may be FBI reporting, which is not necessarily likely to be authoritative. (C)

Gobierno en Exilio (C)

Footnote 63. We do not have both references, so withdraw our comments as to what both documents say; one may say what our copy of one of them does not. (U)

Footnote 64. The cited document does not mention the described visit to Somoza in Nicaragua. It does reveal that Sierra visited Bogota, Colombia, but he is not identified as one of the Cuban exiles who visited the Isle de Andres. (S)

MDC (C)

Footnotes 18-19. Both are in one sentence in the text, and relate to Batista Falla's association with CIA. Yet, the first footnote is based on an FBI document. As noted before, there is no "Operational Approval Form." (S)

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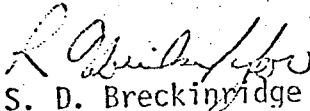
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CRC (C)

Page 2, Footnote 14. Scratch our negative comment. The initial concern was over the date of formation of the CRC (late 1960 or early 1961). Stating that it was formed shortly before the 17 April 1961 Bay of Pigs operation is acceptable. (C)

Sincerely,


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