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TO: DIR INFO: HAVA CITE: [MEXI] 1424

RE: OOOATH ATTACHE MEXI PRIORITY 7 AUGUST TO OOOATH HQS

1. OOOATH ATTACHE INFORMED 6 AUGUST BY (LT CMDR) JAIME VARELA CANOSA, CUBAN NAVAL ATTACHE, AND (CAPT) MANUEL VILLAFANA MARTINEZ, CUBAN AIR ATTACHE, THEIR DECISION: BREAK WITH FIDEL CASTRO BUT WILLING REMAIN IN PLACE TO REPORT VITAL INFO TO ODOYKE. NO ODOYKE COMMITMENT ASKED BY SUSJS. OOOATH ATTACHE WILL HANDLE AGENTS AND STATION WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND BE KEPT FULLY INFORMED.

2. INFO REPORTED FIRST MEETING INCLUDES:

A. VILLAFANA LIVES WITH TWO MILITARY ATTACHES, (LT) HECTOR GARCIA VIDAL AND (LT) GIL LINO SUAREZ HERNANDEZ, BOTH OF WHOM ARE COMNIES. SUAREZ TOLD VILLAFANA HE FORMERLY WITH RAUL CASTRO IN COMMIE YOUTH MOVEMENT.

B. ON 26 JULY TRIP VILLAFANA TOOK TO CUBA WITH (GENERAL) LAZARO CARDENAS. VILLAFANA SAW 25,000 NEW SOVIET RIFLES FOR CUBAN ARMY. OLD RIFLES BEING GIVEN PEASANTS.

C. BOTH ATTACHES AGREE CASTRO ARMY CONTAINS 5,000 ANTI CASTRO MEN. THEIR LEADERS ARE GUTIERREZ MENOYO AND WILLIAN MORGAN, BOTH UNDER (COL) BARQUIN WHO IS IN PARIS AND IS KEY ANTI CASTRO LEADER.

D. SOVIETS PREPARING SIZEABLE DOLLAR AID TO HELP CUBA THROUGH CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS.

E. (AMBASSADOR) SALVADOR MASSIP HAS MISGIVINGS ON CUBAN SITUATION BUT HAS LITTLE AUTHORITY SINCE HIS WIFE, REPORTEDLY COMTE, RUNS EMBASSY. FIRST

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INFO

CITE

SECRETARY MANUEL QUIJANO LAYA BEING ORDERED HOME, PROBABLY IN DISGRACE.

3. VARELA FAMILY WITH HIM BUT VILLAFANA DIVORCED FROM FAMILY NOW IN CUBA.

4. FOR HAVA: THIS INFO NOT SENT BY ODOATH ATTACHE TO HAVA AND IS NOT TO BE RELEASED TO ANY ODOYKE AGENCY HAVA.

END OF MESSAGE

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