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DREW PEARSON: "CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE, exclusive--Director Allen Dulles was [illegible] responsible for putting United States and the Kennedy administration out [illegible] a limb in Cuba. Dulles believed the rebels had a good chance to win, and obviously [illegible] taken in by rebel claims that the city of Havana would rise like the Hungarians [illegible] Budapest and sweep the freedom fighters to victory. The unhappy fact is that [illegible] Castro's secret police prevented any uprising. More important, Dulles was wrong in [illegible] believing the Castro air force had been smashed, and did not figure on the Soviet [illegible] which hammered the rebel beachheads to pieces.

"The United Nations--Adlai Stevenson has reported very frankly to the White House [illegible] most UN delegates simply do not believe that the United States was not involved [illegible] the Cuban invasion. This is particularly true of Latin American representatives. [illegible] the New York Times published a map, giving the exact location of the C.I.A. [illegible] in Guatemala, which trained the Cuban invaders and some diplomats state that [illegible] associates, a private firm was hired by C.I.A. to supply the arms. Stevenson [illegible] that opinion in the delegates' lounge has been running very much against the [illegible] States.

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"Prediction Number Three: Will there be an investigation of the recent failure [illegible] Cuba? Though there have been many Congressional investigations of the Executive [illegible] of the government, there is one agency which has remained completely uninvestigated--CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE. This is the most secret agency of all. It does not [illegible] to account for its funds, it's free to hire agents, even bribe foreign officials, [illegible] of this in view of the cut-throat tactics of the cold war may be necessary. But Central Intelligence has sometimes over-ruled other branches of the government, as when a C.I.A. man told Colonel Nasser to ignore a note sent by the Secretary of State. And it was Allen Dulles, head of Central Intelligence, who ordered the U-2 flight [illegible] Russia, at the very moment President Eisenhower was going to discuss the peace [illegible] the world at the Summit conference. The tragedy of that decision is still a hurt [illegible] the United States.

"Finally, it was Allen Dulles and Central Intelligence who organized the attempt [illegible] invade Cuba too early, and with too little, last week. So here is my prediction, [illegible] Congress at long last will finally investigate Central Intelligence and its director, [illegible] Dulles. Now, ladies and gentlemen, the inside reason why President Kennedy [illegible] a stern warning to the nation and the world, that the evidence is clear and the [illegible] is late in regard to Cuba was because he knew the Russians were constructing a [illegible] base on that island, 90 miles from our shores. The Russians also knew, and [illegible] been griping about it publicly that we have missile bases in Turkey and the Near [illegible], even closer to their shores. For ten years they've been maneuvering to counteract [illegible] bases in the Near East. That's why Moscow will spend any amount of money, or [illegible] or personnel to support dictator Castro and the missile base, aimed against us. [illegible] is the real issue today. That's why it's so dangerous. That's why a turbulent [illegible] which plunged us into war 63 years ago, could plunge us into war again. This is [illegible] in Washington."

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