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2 March 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Discussion Regarding the Remains of Cuban Pilot,  
Crespin Lucio GARCIA Fernandez

1. On 1 March 1962 at approximately 1600, a discussion was held in the office of Mr. [redacted] attended by Mr. [redacted] Colonel [redacted]. The discussion pertained to the Subject as noted above which resulted from a memorandum for the record #171 authored by Colonel [redacted]. Memorandum for the record #171 has as its Subject as follows: "Request of the Widow of Pilot, Crespin Lucio GARCIA Fernandez to Have His Remains Brought to Miami."

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2. Mr. [redacted] brought to this discussion a RYBAT cable, OITE #817 (IN 1904h) dated 8 November 1961 which contains the summarized investigative report of the crash site of the aircraft in which pilot, GARCIA, had departed Boca Chica National Air Station on 18 April 1961. A conversation prior to the above discussion between Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] indicated that Colonel [redacted] was well aware of RYBAT cable control system, and it was decided that Colonel [redacted] should read the above identified RYBAT cable. Having read the above identified cable, Colonel [redacted] was then fully aware of the condition of the remains involved in the crash of the aircraft #933. It was recommended to Colonel [redacted] by Messrs. [redacted] and [redacted] that in view of the facts reported in the investigative report, the widow should be advised that there existed no possibility at any time in the future of returning her husband's remains to either Miami or Cuba. It was suggested to Colonel [redacted] that stress should be laid on the three points of inaccessibility of the crash site, the more than six month delay in discovering the crash, and the reported fact that when burial did occur, a Catholic missionary was present, and held the appropriate religious rites.

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3. Colonel [ ] stated his fuller understanding of the situation after reading the investigative report, and occurred to the above recommendations. He advised that he would attempt to convince Miro Cardona, leader of the CRC.

4. Attached to this memorandum for the record are the following documents:

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- JMWAVE Dispatch [ ] dated 22 Feb. 1962;
- Memorandum for the Record #171 dated 15 Jan. 1962;
- KYBAT cable, [ ] 3817 (IN 1904h) dated 8 Nov. 1961;
- KYBAT cable, DIR 2281 (OUT 6642h) dated 3 Nov. 1961;
- KYBAT cable, DIR 2241 (OUT 6637h) dated 3 Nov. 1961.

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Attachments:

As stated in Paragraph 4.

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