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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Acting Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ATTENTION : Mr. Arnold Parham

SUBJECT : Frank Anthony Sturgis

1. Mr. Frank Anthony Sturgis was born on 9 December 1924 in Norfolk, Virginia. He has the following aliases: Frank Fiorini, Fred Frank Fiorini, Fred Attila, Frank Campbell, Frank Attila, and Frank Bonelli. He was honorably discharged from the following services: United States Marine Corps in which he served from 1942 to 1945; United States Naval Reserve from 1947 to 1948; and United States Army from 1948 to 1949.

2. According to a report from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, he was arrested in Cuba by Cuban authorities in July 1958, as a courier from the United States for Cuban rebels. In 1959, he was a Captain in the Cuban Army and a government inspector of gambling at the Tropicana Night Club in Havana. He became disillusioned with Castro and returned to the United States. He was afforded a special hearing by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Miami in February 1960 regarding possible deportation on the basis that he voluntarily expatriated himself through service in the Cuban Armed Forces subsequent to January 1959. It was restored fourteen months later.

3. In May 1960, he was involved with a group of Cubans in Miami who were to participate in an invasion of Cuba. In December 1960, an informant of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who lived with Subject at that time said Subject claimed he was working with

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and being sponsored by the Agency for some future military action against the Government of Cuba. His photograph was on the cover of the Washington Post Parade Section in 1961 as a soldier of fortune. He described his Caribbean experience to Jack Anderson of Parade.

4. In 1961, Subject headed an organization called the International Anticommunist Brigade which he claimed had 5,000 men. He has been involved with Gerald Patrick Hemming who is head of the Intercontinental Penetration Forces, another anti-Castro group. He flew in an anti-Castro leaflet dropping mission over Camaguey, Cuba, in October 1961. The \$10,000 for the leaflets reportedly came from Julio Lobo who has been an Agency contact.

5. An FBI report dated 4 April 1969, said that Subject, a well known American mercenary and soldier of fortune had participated in Cuban revolutionary activities for the past ten years. On 1 November 1968, he admitted he recruited twelve American adventurers and mercenaries for military activities against Cuba. In September 1968, they met in Mexico and set up a military training camp. Later they boarded a boat and about two days later ran aground near Belize, British Honduras. After being arrested in British Honduras, they were deported back to the United States.

6. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In 1968, Subject resided in Northwest Miami and was employed as a used car salesman by G. M. Used Cars, Miami.

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FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

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Howard J. Osborn

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