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] 26 OCTOBER: AT 2 PM

23 OCTOBER AIRPLANE OF U.S. REGISTRY LANDED SAN JULIAN AIRPORT NEAR GUANE, PINAR DEL RIO, PILOTED BY WALTER FARRAL, NICARAGUAN WITH PASSENGERS JORGE J DELGADO AND TALMA T HAND, PANAMANIAN. DELGADO CARRIED SEVERAL PIECES SEALED LUGGAGE AND DIPLOMATIC DOCUMENTATION. CUBAN OFFICIALS INSPECTED LUGGAGE. CONTENTS OVERNIGHT KIT CARRIED BY MRS HAND SHOWN ONLY TO OFFICER IN CHARGE. KIT CONTAINED PHOTOSTATS CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS FROM OFFICE GUATEMALAN PRESIDENT ARBENZ SHOWING RECEIPT \$60,000 MONTHLY BY ARBENZ FROM RUSSIA. OTHER DOCUMENTS KIT PERTAINED COSTA RICAN POLITICAL SITUATION. PRIOR TO INSPECTION DELGADO STATED HE WAS ODACID SPECIAL AGENT IN CANAL ZONE AND CHIEF OF U.S. ESPIONAGE IN CARIBBEAN ENROUTE TO WASHINGTON. PLANE ALLOWED DEPART 11 PM 23 OCTOBER FOR MIAMI. PRESIDENT BATISTA INFORMED OF ABOVE THAT NIGHT.

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FARRAL IS A COSTA RICAN. MRS HAND IS U.S. AND WIFE OF DELGADO. PLANE WAS SINGLE ENGINE CESSNA. DELGADO HAD PANAMANIAN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT AS COMMERCIAL ATTACHE NICARAGUA WHICH SHOWED VISITS GUATEMALA 13 SEPTEMBER AND 2 OCTOBER, VISAS NICARAGUA AND HONDURAS, STOP-OVER AUTHORIZATION RANCHO BOYEROS AIRPORT, CUBA. DELGADO CLAIMED TO BE U.S. AGENT, CLOSE FRIEND PRESIDENTS REMON AND SOMOZA. FLIGHT SCHEDULE WAS NICARAGUA HONDURAS CUBA MIAMI WASHINGTON. IN ADDITION ARBENZ PAPERS DELGADO CARRIED PHOTOSTATS DOCUMENTS RE COSTA RICAN POLITICAL SITUATION. DELGADO STATED U.S. SPONSORED REVOLUTION IN GUATEMALA WILL TAKE PLACE WITH IN 60 DAYS. REQUESTED PERMISSION LAND RANCHO BOYEROS RETURN TRIP.

3. C J STATED ONLY HALF DOZEN PERSONS IN CUBA KNEW OF INFORMATION CARRIED BY DELGADO AND ANY INDICATION DIVULGEMENT OF SAME WOULD BE TRACED TO HIM AND MEAN HIS FORCED RETIREMENT.

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CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT: C J, WH, ADVISED OF RECEIPT OF THIS MSG AT 2145 27 OCT 53.

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