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TO Chief Task Force W		DATE TYPED	
FROM Chief of Station, JMWAVE		DATE DISPATCHED	
SUBJECT Operational OFFENSE AT TAGE May Progress Report - AMSPELL		DISPATCH SYMBOL AND NUMBER	
ACTION REQUIRED REFERENCES		HEADQUARTERS FILE NUMBER	
<p>Action: For your information</p> <p>Ref : A. WAVE 3851 B. WAVE 3911 C. WAVE 2066</p> <p>1. Before initiating a formal monthly report of progress on AMSPELL, a brief historical summary of the organizational background is deemed appropriate. Traditionally, the main student organization in Cuba is the Federation of University Students (Federacion Estudiantil Universitaria - FEU) having its seat in the University of Havana and controlling student federations nationwide, from universities down through high schools and parochial schools. The well known FEU has influenced the Cuban political scene through indirect intrigue and direct terrorist attacks since the fall of epochal dictator Gerardo GACIADO in 1933. Presidents have risen from or through their activities, i.e. Ramon GRAU SAN MARTIN, Carlos PRIO Socarras, not to mention other offsprings such as Fidel CASTRO Ruz.</p> <p>ATTACHMENT: USC Atts. A through K (USC)</p> <p>Distribution: 3 - C/TFW w/att. (USC)</p>		<p>23 June 1962</p> <p>UPGA-4529</p> <p>19-126-29/3</p>	
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2. When CASTRO came into power in January 1959, the FEU as an autonomous and representative student power ceased to exist. The Communist take-over was almost immediate and is thoroughly documented in an AMSPELL paper entitled "The Perversion of a University" written by Luis BOZA Dominguez (Attachment A). By mid-year 1960, the steadily mounting resistance to Communist domination in student affairs erupted in violence at ceremonies held in honor of Soviet visitor MIKOTAN. The leader of this anti-Communist outbreak was (Identity A) and supported by (Iden B, C, and D) broke up the ceremony, later fleeing to PBPRIME as political exiles. In September 1960, these four student exiles founded AMSPELL as the only genuine, representative Cuban student organization, fundamentally anti-Communist, having powerful religious roots in Catholic Action groups, and dedicated to the revolutionary overthrow of the CASTRO communist regime.

3. The development and growth of AMSPELL was nurtured, guided and reasonably controlled by JMWAVE, from five officials to over five thousand members of PBRUMEN, has been reflected if not well documented in reports of their production. From September 1960 to the advent of the April invasion, AMSPELL efforts were directed primarily in building up a clandestine organization (AMHINT-1 to AMHINT-30) in PBRUMEN and secondarily in producing anti-CASTRO propaganda throughout the hemisphere. When their clandestine apparatus was forced deeper and into inactivity by the post-invasion persecution, AMSPELL diverted their major effort to agitation and propaganda designed to mold Latin American opinion particularly in support of what would be ODYCKE position at the Foreign Ministers Conference at Punta del Este on 22 January 1962. This prompted the creation of the AMBARB project, an instrument for placement of PBRUMEN students in WH countries for JMWAVE or station controlled and supported GYROSE operations.

4. As background to AMSPELL activities in May, the April Progress Report is forwarded under separate cover as Attachment B.

5. During May 1962, AMSPELL progress is reported as follows:

A. AMSPELL:

1) General: AMSPELL policy direction since early 1962 is defined succinctly in the headlines of their organ (Iden E, separate cover attachment C) as "Peaceful Coexistence, NO WAR, Yes" and aptly explains their separation from the AMBLD complex (Reference C). During May this resentment of alleged AMBLD anti-CASTRO lethargy was extended to include JMWAVE and AMBARB qualified support for their AMHINT operations. On 20 May they secretly, without JMWAVE coordination or support, infiltrated AMHINT-53 and AMHINT-40. (Reference A and B) AMHINT internal structure had overlapped with the MRR and AMSPELL security apprehensions had mounted to the point of desperation when AMHINT-53 was assured infiltration on three operations all of which were postponed due to JMWAVE operational decisions. AMHINT-53 was infiltrated to reorganize and disengage the AMHINT group from the MRR. According to early June messages, this mission has been accomplished.

2) Total Support:	AMSPELL	\$ 11,100.00
	AMBARB	\$ 24,409.01
	AMHINT	\$ 8,040.88

TOTAL	4	43,549.89
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<p>3) <u>Intelligence Production:</u> During May 1962, through AMBARB and AMHINT activities, at least 20 intelligence reports were derived from production. A quantitative analysis of production is not practical due to the variation of materials submitted, but as an example, just one detailed and voluminous study from INRA was given high qualitative evaluation.</p> <p>4) <u>Development and Plans:</u> AMSPELL is to be given closer scrutiny and case officer attention from JMWAVE. Whereas in the past, one case officer devoted part-time to this organization, there will now be a case officer each for AMSPELL, AMBARB, and AMHINT. AMSPELL must, by tradition, play a vital role in PBRUMEN developments, especially in terms of stature and stability of any future post-CASTRO PBRUMEN government. It follows that JMWAVE must endeavor to mold AMBARB and AMHINT components along pro-PBPRIME lines.</p>								
<p>B. <u>AMHINT:</u></p>								
<p>1) <u>General:</u> The entire AMSPELL progress report has been held up pending the exfiltration of AMHINT-53. His debriefing would have provided detailed and updated AMHINT organizational and operational data. In the absence of this information, three of AMHINT-53's couriered letters are the only point of reference. (Two of these, dated 5 April 1962 were handcarried to Headquarters by TARDOCK). Briefly, the AMHINTS have suffered from their operational overlap with the MRR which, in turn, was penetrated. This came after losing three National Coordinators in succession. The internal situation became critical enough that by 20 May, AMSPELL took matters in their own hands and infiltrated AMHINT-53 as described in Reference A. Meanwhile, in WAVE area, Radio Operator, AMHINT-52, completed his training by 31 May and two future operators, AMHINTS-31 and 49 completed their AMHINT informal code aptitude practice and began JMWAVE processing for JMWAVE communications training. Despite AMSPELL impatience, other AMHINT assets were under development during May. Their vessel JUANIN I and crew was officially accepted for JMWAVE support agreement and personnel training.</p>								
<p>2) <u>Financial Support:</u></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">PBRUMEN Operations</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 6,250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PBRUMEN/PBPRIME</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Travel-processing</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$51,790.88</td> </tr> </table>			PBRUMEN Operations	\$ 6,250.00	PBRUMEN/PBPRIME		Travel-processing	\$51,790.88
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<p>The PBRUMEN operations funds cited above represents \$25,000 PBRUMEN pesos sent in by Diplomatic Pouch on 24 May 1962. Travel and processing funds are for the most part taken up in money orders for air space.</p>								
<p>3) <u>Intelligence Production:</u> (Included in Para 5A, 3.)</p>								
<p>4) <u>Development and Plans:</u> During the next month of June, AMHINT PLANNING CASE for the exfiltration of AMHINT-53, infiltration of Radio Operator AMHINT-52 with a small shipment of arms, processing and training of Radio Operators AMHINTS-31 and 49, and the selection and assessment of the CEDAR team of four to be sent to isolation for training and subsequent infiltration.</p>								
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During the forthcoming 90 days, the normal timetable calls for AMHINT-52 as radio operators in Havana Province, AMHINT-49 in Oriente Province, and AMHINT-48 in Pinar del Rio Province. If no unusual delays are encountered, this is not an ambitious program. The CEDAH team should be operating in their assigned region and the subsequent team about to infiltrate, by the end of this period.

B. AMBARB:

1) General: During the month of May 1962, AMBARB activities were highlighted by the selection and briefing of the African tour team in preparation for the International Students Conference to be held in Quebec on 27 June. (DIR 04029, WAVE 4127, WAVE 2834) Also, in addition to normal processing of AMBARB assignments, a visit by Mr. TARDUCK from Headquarters resulted in a study of AMBARB funding which has prompted guidance for all stations concerned (Book Dispatch 3211). Throughout the hemisphere, AMBARB delegations have increased operations in field of propaganda and intelligence collection. In addition to regular radio programs reported by UFGA-3733 covering 12 countries, the AMBARBS initiated a special series of dramatized programs in May based on the life of Identity A and subsequent AMHINT martyrs (UFGA-3929, UFGA-4217). AMBARB delegations in fifteen countries continued the mailing operation of 60,000 leaflets to the denied area as described in UFGA-3811 and a second mailing operation with a complementary addressee list was launched during May. Also continued during May was the placement of photo exhibits in the capitols of 14 countries, based on the observed impact on public opinion at the Punta del Este Conference (See separate cover attachment D). For progress reports at delegation level in each country, future reports will be prepared by the ANSPELL-AMBARB headquarters in PBRIME and submitted in English. For the May report, a brief summary of these activities by country follows:

a. Argentina - No AMBARB activities during May. Entire delegation was recalled in March and replacements are currently processing.

b. Bolivia - (Assigned AMBARB-15 and 27)

The delegation in La Paz, working through such groups as the Frente de Defensa de la Libertad and Frente de Estudiantes Democratas managed to get Clasificación (Minister) FREEMAN to make a special appeal to the GOC for the life of Identity F, captured AMHINT National Coordinator. Also, the delegation was successful in gaining the support of the Asociación de Educadores Catolicos and the Asociación de Estudiantes Catolicos to condemn the inhuman proposals for May 61 on prisoner exchanges.

c. Brazil - (Assigned - AMBARB-19, 21, 29, 38, 32)

Again, the Rio delegation was successful in prompting the Brazilian Foreign Ministry to appeal to the GOC on behalf of Identity F, except that here, a bizarre development was reported. The GOC, upon receiving the Brazilian appeal denied the existence of Identity F. Meanwhile, ANSPELL in PBRIME hit the press with a notice of further tortures of Identity F which was picked up by the Brazilian press. This forced the Brazilian Foreign Ministry and the West German Embassy in Brazil and both investigated the

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real and being tortured. This was analyzed by AMSPELL observers as one of the primary reasons the GOC did not execute Identity F in spite of conclusive evidence of his clandestine operations.

d. Chile - (Assigned: AMBARB-57, 24, 69)

During May, AMBARB-24 began his assigned penetration of the Christian Democratic Student organizations as cited in WAVE-2754. In late May, he attended the Congreso de los Campesinos de la Democracia Cristiana, the results of which will be included in the June progress report.

e. Colombia - (Assigned: AMBARB-23, 75, 26, 8, 66)

Bogota station is in contact with AMBARB-75 who is working as a covert agent on station assignments. The official AMBARB delegation is well organized throughout Colombia with delegations in Medellin, Barranquilla, Cartagena, Santa Marta, Cali, Palmira, and Manizales. (For detailed report of AMBARB organization and operational status in Colombia see separate cover attachment E.) Pursuant to instructions from AMBARB headquarters PBPRIME, the Colombian delegation was committed during May to preparation for the X Congreso Internacional de Estudiantes Universitarios Colombianos and worked with Colombian students, Luis Ignacio BETANCOURT, Rodrigo CORREA and Gustavo MERINO.

f. Costa Rica - (Assigned: AMBARB-39, 67, 68)

The Costa Rican delegation worked during May on the celebration of the III Congreso Estudiantil Universitaria Centro American (CEUCA) (WAVE 4198). This congress was considered important enough by Communist youth organizations to attempt to send a PBPRIME FEU delegation, but Costa Rica denied visas to the delegates. (For report of the results see separate cover Attachment J)

g. Ecuador - (Assigned: AMBARB-28 and 65)

AMBARB-28 is a Quito station controlled asset and while no station reports are available as yet, TARDOCK reports that information from his sources describe AMBARB-28 as extremely active in GYROSE operations. The official delegate, AMBARB-65 managed to obtain support of the University Council in appealing for the life of Iden F although the council has a Communist as Director at present. The campaign on behalf of Iden F was reported as having considerable impact on student opinion in Ecuador.

h. Guatemala - (Assigned: AMBARB-20 during May)

AMBARB-20, shortly after assignment to Guatemala, apparently could not avoid being embroiled in the partisan political intrigues of YDIGORAS and upon rejecting GOC proposals for propaganda activities in the student world, was deported on charges of improper or false documentational AMBARB operations in Guatemala were suspended during May and AMBARB-20 returned to PBPRIME for reassignment. (A detailed report of his experiences and observations during his short tenure is forwarded as separate cover attachment F.)

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i. Honduras - (Assigned: AMBARR-36 and 37)

The AMBARR delegation in Tegucigalpa forwarded two reports - one political and the university background - during May. (See separate cover attachment G) AMBARR-36 issued 15 March completed reports on Communist Penetration in Honduras which was forwarded by TFGA-4159 for Headquarters and station evaluation.

j. Mexico - (Assigned: AMBARR-18 and 9)

AMBARR-18 appealed to the Confederacion Nacional de Estudiantes (CNE) and obtained their support in urging the Mexican Ambassador in PBPRIME to intercede in behalf of Aden F. AMBARR-18, in keeping with his reputation as activist, submitted an ambitious plan for "Agitation and Propaganda in Mexico" which is currently under study at JMWAVE. (See separate cover attachment H) By the end of May, JMWAVE assigned AMBARR-9 to Mexico with the special mission to enroll in the ENAM and operate as an AMSPELL overt delegate to the CNE. (WAVE 4201) While Mexico is scheduled for the largest AMBARR contingent in WH (total 17), Mexican authorities are becoming increasingly reluctant to extend PBPRIME entry visas. AMBARR-78 was obliged to abandon Mexico during May. AMBARR-31, 69, 70 and 77 are still trying to get their visas.

k. Panama - (Assigned: AMBARR-43 and 34)

The delegation in Panama have been committed to the student campaigning for student elections in mid-June. AMBARRS have sided with current student opposition groups as the more democratic element as opposed to the incumbent student federation regime. Reports on other activities have been requested.

l. Paraguay - (There appears to be an implicit, mutual understanding between KUBARK/JMWAVE, Asuncion Station and AMSPELL that no AMBARRS are to be assigned Paraguay.)m. Peru - (Assigned: AMBARR-19 and 22)

AMBARR-51 and 52 are still processing visas for assignment. AMBARR-22 is functioning as official AMSPELL delegate, while AMBARR-19 is a station controlled covert penetration of the Christian Democratic student movement. According to current station comments, AMBARR-19 is doing some valuable work and every attempt is being made to persuade him not to return to matriculate in a PBPRIME University. AMBARR-22 during May, has been committed to university student elections, working with Aprista and Christian Democrats. More detailed operational reporting is expected for the June progress report.

n. San Salvador - (AMBARR-63 processing)

Although the station has expressed an urgent need for AMBARR type operations, the station report in SALV-4011 on government restrictions on issuance of visas to PBPRIME has proven accurate thus far. Attempts for visa issuance are currently underway in third-country consulates.

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o. Santo Domingo - (Assigned: AMBARB-71 and 76)

AMBARB-71 arrived Santo Domingo in early May and established immediate SW contact with JMWAVE as briefed. His first two messages were general descriptions of his operational climate and present address. He has established contact with university groups known as H.L.O.Q.U.E. and reports should be forthcoming. Meanwhile, AMSPELL reported in late May that he was attacked by a Communist group and badly beaten. (This was later confirmed by debriefing AMPANIC-1 upon arrival.) AMBARB-76 is currently in the JMWAVE area for LCFLUTTER and assessment upon Santo Domingo station request. Prior to his departure, he also was reportedly lured into a Communist trap and managed to escape a beating or worse because he was armed. Santo station has concurred with policy for all AMBARBS there to procure and carry defensive weapons. JMWAVE is now processing AMHINT-39 for Santo assignment to assist AMBARB-71 at the university.

p. Uruguay - (AMBARB-59 returned to JMWAVE area during April for leave, passport processing and reassignment to Uruguay.)

AMBARB-20, upon return from Guatemala, was processed during May for reassignment in Uruguay to work with AMBARB-59 upon return. Since the Uruguayan delegation was extremely active and produced very well under station control and guidance, a March operational report written by AMBARB-59 is forwarded as an example of their activities. (See separate cover attachment.)

q. Venezuela - (Assigned: AMBARB-40, 41, 42, 80, 82, 02 [CIGAP-1 and Luis BOZA Dominguez.]

Delegation activities during May were centered on the preparation and participation in Congreso Mundial de Juventudes Democratas Cristianas held in Caracas in early May. AMHINT-2 and AMBARB-54 were sent from PBPRIME on 10 May with briefing materials for the AMBARB delegation to this congress.

2) Total Support: Month of May \$ 24,409.01

AMBARB Salaries	\$	11,925.00
Africa Tour	\$	7,638.01
AMBARB radio network	\$	1,882.00
Processing & Ops	\$	2,964.00

3) Intelligence Production: (Covered by Paragraph 5 A3).

4) Development and Plans:

(See Book Dispatch 3211)

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Attachment K

Separate Cover Attachment to UFG-423. Dated-----

- Iden A - Alberto MULLER Quintana
- Iden B - Manuel SAVAT Roque
- Iden C - Miguel GARCIA Armengol
- Iden D - Ernesto FERNANDEZ Perez
- Iden E - "Trinchera"
- Iden F - Hans Hengler