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RECALL OF PERSONNEL OF THE CUBAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE SECURITY WHO ARE STATIONED ABROAD

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AN EDUCATED CUBAN RESIDENT IN HAVANA WHO WAS PROMINENT IN PRE-CASTRO POLITICAL CIRCLES. SOURCE HAS PROVED TO BE A RELIABLE REPORTER. THE INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM LT, FERRERO.

AS OF 23 OCTOBER, MEMBERS OF THE CUBAN DEPARTAMENTO DE SEGURIDAD DEL ESTADO (DSE, DEPARTMENT OF STATE SECURITY) WERE BEING RECALLED FROM FOREIGN POSTS BECAUSE THERE WAS NO MONEY TO PAY THEM, ACCORDING TO LIEUTENANT SEGUNDO FERRERO CUEVAS OF THE DSE. LT. FERRERO SAID THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 800 DSE MEN OUTSIDE CUBA, AMONG WHOM WAS THE CHIEF IN MEXICO, WHO HAD TO RETURN FOR THE SAME REASON. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: IF THIS FIGURE IS CORRECT, IT MUST REFER TO DSE AGENTS AS WELL AS OFFICERS.) (FIELD COMMENT: LT. FERRERO, FORMERLY A MEMBER OF THE SECRET POLICE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE UNDER BOTH PRESIDENT GRAU AND PRESIDENT PRIO, WAS KNOWN AS A SUPPORTER OF ERNESTO "CHE" GUEVARA

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SERNA UNDER THE CASTRO RÉGIME. THE DSE OFFICER REFERRED TO AS
"CHIEF" IN MEXICO MAY BE MANUEL EUGENIO <u>VEGA</u> PEREZ OR ALFREDO

MIRABAL DIAZ. SEE CSCI-316/00685-64, DATED 14 AUGUST 1964.)

(HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: AS FAR AS IS KNOWN, MOST OF THE CUBAN
INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL STATIONED OUTSIDE CUBA ARE MEMBERS OF
THE DIRECCION GENERAL DE INTELIGENCIA (DGI, GENERAL DIRECTORATE
OF INTELLIGENCE), THE CUBAN FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.

BOTH VEGA AND MIRABAL ARE MEMBERS OF THE DGI.)

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