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7 October 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ATTENTION: Mr. Sam J. Papich

SUBJECT: COURT FOSTER WOOD  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Reference is made to a 25 March 1961 and a 6 July 1961 investigative report on captioned Subject which have previously been furnished to this Agency.

[redacted]  
who is a current Agency employee, has recently been interviewed concerning his knowledge of Court Foster Wood whom [redacted] had known since mutual attendance in high school. Attached is a detailed report of the information furnished by [redacted] concerning his knowledge of Wood.

Since [redacted] personally has sufficient reason to question the activities of Wood and the activities of the associates of Wood, [redacted] has been advised to discontinue any further contact with Wood.

It would be appreciated if your Bureau would furnish this Agency any additional information brought to your attention concerning Court Foster Wood and of particular interest would be any information received by your Bureau concerning past association of Court Foster Wood with [redacted]

The above information is for your use only and should not be disseminated outside your Bureau.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

R. L. Bannerman  
Acting Director of Security

Attachment:  
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DATE: 1 OCT 1964  
TIME: 11:00 AM

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This image shows a highly textured, black and white surface, likely the cover or endpaper of an old book. The texture is grainy and uneven, with a prominent vertical crease or fold running down the center. The lighting is dramatic, with deep shadows and bright highlights that emphasize the surface irregularities. There are no discernible text or figures.

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It would be appreciated if your Bureau could furnish this Agency any additional information brought to your attention concerning Court Foster. Good and of particular interest would be any information received by your Bureau concerning past examination of Court Foster and with Federal Bureau jurisdiction.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

D. L. Eisenhower  
Acting Director of Security

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[redacted] has recently advised that Court 3  
Foster Wood was a relatively close high school friend of [redacted]  
during mutual attendance at George Mason High School, Falls Church,  
Virginia, during 1957 to 1959. [redacted] described Wood as an  
average high school student who had no particular problems with  
the exception that there were domestic difficulties between the  
father and mother of Wood.

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[redacted] became acquainted with the parents of Wood and made  
occasional visits to their home during the above period of time.  
The father of Wood, Foster Wood, is an attorney who was then living  
in Falls Church. Some time ago the father and mother of Court Wood  
split up and Court Wood and father moved into an apartment on  
Columbia Road, Washington, D.C.

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[redacted] advised that after graduation from high school in  
June 1959 he lost any close contact with Wood who then started to  
attend George Mason College, where he seemed to have an interest  
in philosophy. 3 [redacted] started to attend a military school and  
Wood expressed extreme opposition to military schools.

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[redacted] married in 1960, which also helped to move [redacted] 3  
somewhat out of the social circle of Wood. 3 [redacted] believed that  
for approximately a year, during 1959 to 1960, he did not actually  
see Wood but advised that after this period in which he did not  
see Wood he has had a number of contacts with Wood, many of which  
occurred during mutual attendance at the University of Virginia  
Extension School (night school) in early 1961. On one occasion  
3 [redacted] attended a party at the apartment occupied by Wood and  
father at the invitation of Wood, and on this occasion came into  
contact with the "new set of friends" of Court Wood, whom [redacted] 3  
described as being "beatnik types." Girls in attendance at the  
party, according to [redacted], appeared to be of the "street pickup"  
type. 3

After the above party Wood occasionally telephoned [redacted] 3  
and about Christmas 1960 Wood called and stated that he was going  
to Cuba under the auspices of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.  
3 [redacted] called on Wood after the return of Wood from Cuba and at  
that time Wood lauded Castro very highly. The father of Wood was  
also present and [redacted] obtained the impression that the father  
was also in sympathy with Castro. 3 [redacted] recalled that he again,  
at a later date, had visited the Wood apartment, this being an  
occasion when Wood had been visiting somewhere in Falls Church  
and contacted [redacted] to ask [redacted] to take Wood home. On this  
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██████████ revealed that the only date on the bill of lading is 2 days after the date that the bill of lading was issued. He did not know how much money he was given. He indicated that he was moving to Philadelphia with his wife and three children for a college education, but Stratton at the time of the interview did not know whether Reed had actually moved to Philadelphia.

Wood, during conversation with [redacted] made the remark to [redacted] that he, Wood, did not know if his wife was a Communist but she might be. Wood, however, did not mention any further information.

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In regard to specific associates of wool, [redacted] raised list of the party which he attended at the apartment occupied by God and wife. There were approximately thirty individuals present, a number of whom he casually met but whose names he did not recall. [redacted] did recall that the following individuals were present: "Will" McDonald, now believed living in Washington, D. C. but who had attended George Mason College with God; and Charles Kiser, who lives in Washington, D. C. and who attended

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