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1. EMBASSY SOURCE BELIEVED RELIABLE REPORTED STORY TOLD HIM BY ARMY CONTACTS THAT MORGAN WAS CALLING PEDRAZA ON RADIO FROM LAS VILLAS PROVINCE "LIKE MAD" BEGGING FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE. THE ARMY CONTACTS IMPLIED MORGAN WAS TRYING LAY TRAP FOR PEDRAZA.
2. SAME SOURCE TOLD EMB THAT HE ADVISED BY MIAMI CONTACT THAT CAPTAIN OF YACHT WHICH CARRIED MORGAN AND LOAD OF ARMS TO PORT OF CASILDA NEAD TRINIDAD, LAS VILLAS PROVINCE, STATED ON RETURN TO MIAMI THAT MORGAN WAS MET BY 250 MEN WHO HELPED UNLOAD ARMS.
3. SAME SOURCE ALSO PERSONALLY CONVINCED THAT DOMINICAN CONSUL GENERAL MIAMI COULD BE EXPECTED TO STICK TO STORY THAT MORGAN DID NOT DOUBLE CROSS HIM IN VIEW FACT HIS OWN POSITION EXTREMELY SHAKY FOR HAVING VOUCHERED FOR MORGANS BONA FIDES AS ANTI-CASTRO PLOTTER. SAID DOMINIC BARTONE, MORGAN ASSOCIATE, AND MAN WITH ITALIAN NAME WHO CONNECTED WITH MOULIN ROUGE, MIAMI, ARE IN SAME POSITION.
4. STATION HAS VERIFIED TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION WITH CIENFUEGOS CUT OFF BY GOVT. DIARIO DE LA MARINA OF 12 AUGUST PUBLISHED REPORT FROM CORRESPONDENT IN CIENFUEGOS THAT CAMPESINOS

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FROM VICINITY OF TRINIDAD REPORT ARMY HAS SURROUNDED GROUP OF
 REVOLUTIONARIES IN NEARBY HILLS. ALSO THAT VEHICULAR TRAFFIC
 BARRED FROM STRETCH OF HIGHWAY BETWEEN CIENFUEGOS AND TRINIDAD
 AND BETWEEN CIENFUEGOS AND CUMANAYAGUA. REPORTED THAT COMMANDANTES
 ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO AND VICTOR BORDON MACHADO ARE IN CHARGE OF
 CUBAN ARMY ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA AND THAT IT RUMORED RAUL CASTRO
 HAD VISITED LAS VILLAS AND INSPECTED ZONE BETWEEN CUMANAYAGUA AND
 ESCAMBRAY.

5. NO INFO AVAILABLE TO STATION OF OPEN CONFLICT IN SANTA
 CLARA AND CIENFUEGOS. PRESENT WHEREABOUTS MORGAN NOT KNOWN. HE
 COULD BE IN HILLS FIGHTING CASTRO BUT STATION HAS NO FIRM INFO TO
 THAT EFFECT NOR CAN IT SUBSTANTIATE WIDESPREAD BELIEF THAT HE
 HAS BEEN CASTRO AGENT FROM THE BEGINNING.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: * Headquarters requested any information available regarding
 a report that Major Morgan and Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo's troops were in open
 conflict with Castro's forces in Santa Clara and Cienfuegos.

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