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 SAID HE SAW JACK GRIFFIN AFTER HIS RELEASE BY U.S. AUTHORITIES FOLLOWING  
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2. USE OF AMERICAN PILOTS IN MIRR AIR STRIKES

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1. ON 20 FEBRUARY 1965, BILL JOHNSON, AN AMERICAN PILOT WHO ARRANGES THE SUPPORT ASPECTS OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST CUBA BY ORLANDO BOSCH AVILA'S MOVIMIENTO INSURRECCIONAL DE RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIA (MIRR, INSURRECCIONAL MOVEMENT FOR REVOLUTIONARY RECOVERY). SAID THAT THE MIRR WAS MAKING 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ -POUND "ASH CAN" BOMBS FOR SUBSEQUENT RAIDS, "MORE THAN AMPLE TO BLOW UP THE OIL TANKS IN HABANA." JOHNSON SAID THAT BOSCH STILL INTENDS TO BOMB HABANA, BUT "IT WILL BE AGAINST MY ADVICE". JOHNSON LATER ADMITTED THAT HIS OWN MOTIVATION IS PURELY MERCENARY. (FIELD COMMENT: SEE TDCS DB-315/00550-65, DATED 16 FEBRUARY 1965, FOR INFORMATION ON BOSCH'S INSISTENCE THAT THE CITY

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OF HABANA BE THE MIRR'S NEXT TARGET. THIS MISSION WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR 16 FEBRUARY.)

2. JOHNSON ALLEGED THAT THE PLANES OPERATING FOR THE MIRR ARE LEAVING FROM THE UNITED STATES. WHEN TAMPA WAS MENTIONED AS A POSSIBLE DEPARTURE POINT, JOHNSON SAID: "YOU'RE GETTING CLOSE."

3. JOHNSON SAID HIS SMALL GROUP PRACTICES GOOD SECURITY. "WHEN WE GET A PLANE AND A PILOT, WE CONTRACT THEM FOR THREE OPERATIONS. THE PLANES ARE FLOWN BY AMERICAN PILOTS SINCE "THE CUBAN PILOTS DON'T HAVE THE GUTS."

4. JOHNSON CLAIMED THAT JACK GRIFFIN, THE AMERICAN PILOT WHO CRASH-LANDED A B-25 EARLIER THAT MORNING, HAD TAKEN PART IN A PREVIOUS RAID ON CUBA. HOWEVER, HE DID NOT KNOW IF THE DOWNED B-25 HAD EVER BEEN USED IN ANY RAIDS. JOHNSON SAID HE DOES NOT KNOW DAN SHAW, GRIFFIN'S CO-PILOT ABOARD THE DOWNED B-25.

5. JOHNSON INSISTED THAT THE RAID WHICH THE MIRR ANNOUNCED AS HAVING TAKEN PLACE ON BAHIA HONDA ON 13 FEBRUARY HAD TAKEN PLACE IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT CUBA HAS NOT ACKNOWLEDGED IT.

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