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Eileen, Here are the particulars about some records I would ask Michelle Combs to look for before you all have dispersed. On April 12, 1964--in the midst of the Warren Commission's investigation in other words--PARADE magazine published an article about the Bay of Pigs invasion by Andrew St. George, a free-lance journalist. The article was headlined, "Three Years After the Bay of Pigs: Here is the Fully Documented Story of a Key Event in that Disaster: The Attempt to Assassinate Castro." The article goes on to describe a plot to kill the Cuban coincident with the invasion, organized by anti-Castro Cubans. The article also states, "Convinced that, regardless of what the U.S. did, the conspirators meant business, the CIA decided to capitalize on the plot without actually participating in it." As far as I have been able to establish, St. George's was the first article to appear in print that alleges CIA involvement with an assassination plot. And what I would like Ms. Combs to find out is what, if any, reaction the CIA had to publication of such an allegation. Surely the Agency has some internal reaction given the context. Naturally, I don't know the best place to look for a reaction, but I do know that the Agency has a file on Mr. St. George. He was one of the very first journalists to meet with Castro in the mountains, and probably spent more time with him there than any other American journalist. And after Castro declared he was a Communist, St. George nonetheless kept very close ties with anti-Batista forces who were now anti-Castro. If you or Michelle have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me. I am hoping there is enough time to pursue this avenue. I believe the timing of the St. George article makes it a very important question, and one that can only be answered by an examination of internal CIA records. Max

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