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MEMORANDUM

To: Jeremy Gunn
cc: David Marwell, Tim Wray, Manuel Legaspi
From: Christopher Barger
Subj: IRR Cuba files
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On August 27, 1996, David Montague, Brian Rosen and I went to IRR at Ft. Meade. I was there specifically to review Cuba records in their files.

One of the files I reviewed was that of Antonio Veciana. It was a substantial file, perhaps an inch and a half thick. Inside it, among other things, I discovered the following pieces of information:

1. The true names, and pseudonyms used, of those within Army intelligence who were "handling" Antonio Veciana during the time period of 1962-1963. Also included in this file are two different informant codes or identifiers assigned to Veciana.
2. Specific discussions of another intelligence agency, its contacts with Veciana, and his reaction to these contacts. [Note: the classified nature of this discussion necessitates my merely alluding to it here. I can and will discuss it in more detail at another time.]

After briefing you further on these topics, I will offer two suggestions for further research:

1. That we, using either the resources at FINCEN or NPRC in St. Louis, attempt to locate and contact the Army personnel involved in handling Veciana, as evidenced by the documents in question. This seems to be, at least to me, a way to both check Veciana's story, get further leads, and perhaps go a long way to settling the "Maurice Bishop" controversy once and for all.
2. That we (the Board) release the information contained in the document related in item (2) above. Again, this might perhaps go along way towards settling the "Maurice Bishop" issue.

I will await further instruction.