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[Richard C. Olsen]

Interview of [REDACTED],
3/29/78, by Dan Hardway
and Ed Lopez

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Mr. [REDACTED] said that he had not been shown a copy of the release letter but that Roger Gabrielson had explained it to him and he understood it.

[REDACTED] said that he was stationed in Mexico City from 1967 [to 1970]. He said that Win Scott retired in June of 1969 and was replaced by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that Scott's filing system was extensive. Any piece of paper that came into the station was saved and multiple filed. There was a lot of duplication in the files which were "massive". Scott never threw anything away. Even though the files were massive they were easy to access and use. [REDACTED] called them a "luxury".

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Scott resisted the pressure to cut down his files but after he retired the files were "reduced" due to excessive burn time. Duplications, inactive working files, and non-record material was destroyed.

~~██████████~~ said that in 1970⁰¹ there was a chronological file of Cuban and Soviet Embassy surveillance production. ~~██████████~~ said that it was his belief that these files would have been destroyed. He said that a record of the files destroyed would have been kept. He said that if we had the name of the file and its number we should not have any problem finding out if that file was destroyed, retained, or sent to HQ as record material ~~to~~ through checks at HQ and in Mexico.

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Agent

~~_____~~ remembered ~~_____~~
~~_____~~ as an outside
translator ~~_____~~. He
acknowledged that he had
taken possession of ~~_____~~ ^{AGENT'S}
files when he retired in
'69 ~~or '70~~. He said that he
was certain that ~~_____~~ ^{AGENT'S}
files would have been
routinely destroyed although
he does not remember
whether he did it himself
or turned it over to
someone else for
destruction. Mr. ~~_____~~
pointed out that the
transcripts were not
considered record material
and, in any case, the
~~_____~~ ^{AGENT} copies would
have been duplicates.
Therefore, no one would
have thought twice
about destroying them.

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