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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Direct, FBI

FROM : Legat, Havana (66-87)

SUBJECT: SECURITY OF OFFICE  
HAVANA, CUBA

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September 1, 1959

Reference Havana letter dated August 28, 1959.

On September 1, 1959, Colonel Samuel G. Kail, Army Attaché, American Embassy, Havana, advised that he had learned that WILLIAM ALEXANDER MORGAN had told JULES DUBOIS of the Chicago Tribune that Kail had called at a house which MORGAN had rented in connection with a counterrevolutionary plot against the Cuban Government and that Kail had attempted to warn some of the plotters that the Cuban Government knew of the counterrevolutionary plot. It is to be noted that in connection with the counterrevolutionary plot, MORGAN actually was operating as an agent for the Cuban Government. Kail confidentially advised Legat that he did not make such a call and did not even know where the house was located.

On August 31, 1959, HAV-32 advised that he was informed by IGNACIO MENDIETA, Chief of Liaison between the Cuban State Department and various police organizations, that the present Minister of State, RAUL ROA, had given some consideration to ordering FBI agents out of Cuba, claiming they had always been close friends and collaborators of ex-President FULGENCIO BATISTA. HAV-32, in discussing this matter with MENDIETA, who was for many years connected with the Cuban National Police, pointed out that as MENDIETA would recall the FBI representatives in Cuba had always been interested only in criminal matters which were of mutual interest to the Cuban Government and the United States. MENDIETA stated he realized this and that if he became aware that Cuban authorities in the future were considering acting for the recall of FBI agents here, he would voice his objections to the Ministry of State.

Captain RENE VALDES of G-2, Cuban Army Military Intelligence, on September 2, 1959, advised that the present head of this organization is RAMIRO VALDEZ. HAV-22 has reported that RAMIRO VALDEZ is known in Communist Party circles as a Communist and various other sources of this office have stated that VALDEZ is reported to be a Communist.

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Both RENE VALDES and GEORGE NOBREGAS of the Ministry of Interior, as well as HAV-32, have advised that RAMIRO VALDEZ is the most important police official in Cuba at the present time. RAMIRO VALDEZ has actual supervision of all organizations attempting any type of intelligence investigations. (S)(U)

RENE VALDES voluntarily stated that almost all members of G-2 are violently anti-American in their statements. (S)(U)

Colonel Kail, Army Attache, advised Legat he had learned that RAMIRO VALDEZ is very seldom in his office but spends almost his complete time in the company of RAUL CASTRO, head of the Cuban Armed Forces. (S)(U)

Legat will attempt to follow this matter closely and advise the Bureau immediately of any developments with respect to police relations. (S)(U)

With respect to information furnished by Colonel Kail in paragraph 1 of this letter, it will be appreciated if this information is not disseminated outside the Bureau as it was furnished the Legat in confidence. (S)(U)

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