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TO : Director
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Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

FROM : Deputy Director, Plans *WMA*

SUBJECT: ALVAREZ (fmu)
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2. The same source also received information from an untested source on 2 August 1961 which said that [Major PINEIRO, aka "Barba Roja,"] was chosen by a group of Soviets to lead and command all political repression by the Cuban Government, with responsibility ranging from the vigilance committees to the G-2. [PINEIRO's] office was said to be on Calle 26, opposite the Chinese Cemetery, in Vedado, Habana. *(S)*

3. This office has no positive identifying data concerning [ALVAREZ (fmu)]. There has been no information concerning [Manuel PINEIRO] which has not already been furnished the Bureau. *(S)*

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