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REF  5179\* IN 61547

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1. AFTER REPEATED QUERIES TIPSTAFFS ON 17 SEPT HANDED US REPORT ON SUBJECT REF. ACCORDING REPORT HE INTERVIEWED 9 SEPT AND GAVE FOLLOWING:

A. HAD NEVER VISITED COUNTRIES OUTSIDE EUROPE AND HAD NOT "LIVED IN CUBA FOR SEVEN YEARS" OR VISITED HAITI AS ALLEGED.

B. HAD DISCUSSED POLITICS AND SPOKEN OF SWEDISH COMMUNISM AS WELL AS FIDEL CASTRO GOVT AND REVOLUTIONS SUPPORTED BY CASTRO IN MEXICO AND VENEZUELA. HOWEVER POINTED OUT THESE TOPICS ALL IN SWEDISH NEWSPAPERS.

C. WHEN ASKED WHETHER HE HAD FORETOLD ASSASSINATION OF KENNEDY, HE DENIED QUOTE ASCRIBED TO HIM AND SAID COULD NOT RECALL ANY SIMILAR STATEMENTS. SAID HE KNEW NOTHING OF ASSASSINATION BEFORE IT HAPPENED.

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2. TIPSTAFF/4 SAID SUBJECT HAD APPEARED SLIGHTLY EMBARRASSED AS IF ASHAMED STATEMENTS HE MADE WHILE DRUNK, BUT WAS NOT DEFENSIVE OR BELLIGERENT. TENDED BELIEVE SUBJECT BUT IN ANY CASE FELT FURTHER FOLLOWUP FRUITLESS.

3. THO STATEMENT PARA 1A ABOVE APPARENTLY CONTRADICTS EARLIER TIPSTAFF REPORT THAT SUBJECT WAS IN CUBA IN 1956 ( [ ] 4397 ) BELIEVE SUBJECT WAS ONLY DENYING SEVEN YEAR RESIDENCE. WILL DOUBLE CHECK WITH TIPSTAFFS.

4. POUCHING COPY TIPSTAFF MEMO 18 SEPT.

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C/S Comment: \*Subject of Ridderstrale investigation will will be re-opened with Foreign Minister in early September.

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