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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

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TO DIR INFO MEXI CITE HAVA 3509

RE A HAVA 3237 (IN 31161)
 B DIR 15186 (OUT 94175)*

1. ON 15 FEBRUARY AMPALM-1 REPORTED FOLLOWING RE AMPALM GROUP:

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B. MOVIMIENTO RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIO (MRR). HEADED BY ANGEL FERNANDEZ VARELA, SUB-DIRECTOR HAVA DAILY (PORTION GARBLED-BEING SERVICED) INFORMATION. PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT ANGEL YERGO. SUBORDINATE MEMBERS MRR (PORTION GARBLED) MANUEL ARTIME, RICARDO DE LA LORIE, ANTONIO MICHEL ^YLABOR. (ALSO REC'D SABOR). ARTIME NOT BITTING FERNANDEZ CONNECTION WITH LORIE OR YAVOR, NOR OF FACT HIS INSTRUCTIONS ACTUALLY STEM FROM FERNANDEZ OR ESISTENCE OF FIVE MAN AMPALM GROUP. ARTIME THINKS HIS INSTRUCTIONS FROM HAVA COME FROM AGRUPACION CATHOLICA UNIVERSITARIA (ACU), (ALSO RECEIVED ACK) SINCE THEY ACTIVE IN PREPARING EXFILTRATION AND MUCH OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN ARTIME HERE DONE IN NAME OF ACU BY AMPALM GROUP. ARTIME RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM FERNANDEZ THROUGH AMPALM-1 PRIOR TO EXFILTRATION TO TALK BIG AND ATTEMPT FORM COALITION OF ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS MAKING SURE HE MANEUVERED HIMSELF INTO

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^{ff} LEADING ROLP. AMPALMS FEEL ARTIME HAS TREMENDOUS LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL AND GOOD ORGANIZER. ENVISION HIM AS CHIEF CUBAN ARMED FORCES ONCE CASTRO OUSTED. OTHER MRR LEADERS WHO PRESENTLY IN CUBA AND SUBORDINATE FERNANDEZ ARE MARTINEZ VESE (ALSO RECEIVED VENEGAS), RIVAS VAZQUEZ, AND GONZALES CORZO. (ALSO RECEIVED COROB). FERNANDEZ HAS 150 MEN READY TO TRAVEL MEXICO OR GUAT IN RESPONSE ARTIME REQUEST. (PORTION GARBLED) 150 SHOULD STAY IN PLACE HERE AND PROVIDE NUCLEUS ARMED INTERNAL RESISTANCE GROUP.

C. MOVIMIENTO DEMOCRATA CRISTIANO. REPRESENTED ON AMPALM DIRECTORATE BY AMPALM-2, SON OF ONE OF FOUNDERS, WHO ^{was the} AMPALM LINK WITH MDC PRESIDENT JOSE IGNACIO RASCO.

D. PROPAGANDA. HEADED BY AMPALM-1 AND ASSISTED BY AMPAD-1, MANUEL SALVAT FERNANDEZ PLANAS AND ANTONION GARCIA.

E. RESISTANCE: ROBERTO ORTIZ CRABB WHO MEMBER FIVE MAN DIRECTORATE AND ASSISTED BY DAMASO OLIVA. LITTLE KNOWN ABOUT THIS ACTIVITY OTHER THAN CRABB HAS NET OF INFORMERS THROUGHOUT CUBA.

F. FINANCE: MELCHOR GASTON, AMPALM DIRECTORATE MEMBER WHO TOGETHER WITH AMPALM-1 WROTE PAMPHLET FOR ACU IN 1957 CALLING FOR AGRARIAN REFORM.

2. PRIOR RECEIPT OF REF B AMPALM-1 RECOMMENDED THAT JOSE IGNACIO RASCO OF MDC AND ANGEL FERNANDEZ VARELA OF MRR ACCOMPANY HIM IN ANY MEETING WHICH MIGHT BE ARRANGED FOR PRIME.

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