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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional) BARKER, Bernard L.				
FROM: Chief, WH/h/Security			NO. DATE 17 July 1961	
TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)	DATE		OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)
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AMC LATTER-1

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20 June 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, WH/4

SUBJECT: AMCLATTER-1

1. AMCLATTER-1 has written me that there is at present in Miami a man representing a high-ranking Castro officer who is involved in some way with the invasion prisoners. This unnamed representative has proposed to rescue a group of prisoners and deliver them to an embassy at a price of \$40,000 per head. AMCLATTER reports further that a number of Cuban fathers in Miami are prepared to pay this amount to rescue four of their sons. The money would be deposited in escrow with a reliable Cuban (Tito Mesa) who is to turn it over only after the POW's have left Cuba. It is understood that Artimo, Oliva and San Roman could be included in the deal which will not be possible once these prisoners are transferred to the Ile of Pines.

2. I want to make it clear that AMCLATTER-1 contacted me only as a last resort. Evidently he is no longer being "case officered" but is being handled administratively by [redacted]. In view of AMCLATTER-1's past service and his continuing potential, my personal view is that since he is there he should be used and I am going to suggest that PW pick him up.

HOWARD HURT

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