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WH/C 65-372

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, WH Division
SUBJECT : Meeting with Luis CONTE Agdero;
Date: 2 September 1965; Case
Officer:

1. A three hour meeting was held with Subject this morning. The purpose of the meeting was to impress upon Subject the need to follow KUBARK direction concerning the aftermath of recent developments in the Dominican Republic.

2. Subject reported the following: He talked by telephone on 31 August with McGeorge Bundy. Subject's interpretation of this conversation was that McGeorge Bundy invited him to come to Washington. He also stated that he had asked Bundy to arrange for a meeting for him with the President of the U. S. He did not explain to Bundy the real purpose for wishing a meeting with the President. All he told Bundy was that he wanted to give the President the original copy of Imbert's resignation. What Subject really wants is to tell the President that Imbert has a proposal for provoking an attack upon the Cuban Government involving the Armed Forces of the Dominican Republic. Imbert's personal message to the President (which Subject is to convey) is that the Dominican Armed Forces are ready to engage in war against Cuba, if the Dominican Armed Forces have covert U. S. support.

3. Subject said that as of 1330 hours today he had not heard from Bundy, but he had heard from Robert A. Stevenson of ARA/CCA and he was to meet with Stevenson some time this afternoon. As for the meeting planned with Stevenson, Subject was completely indifferent since he did not consider Stevenson sufficiently high in U. S.

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officialdom to be of real use. Similarly, Subject said that he would not reveal Imbert's proposal to McGeorge Bundy, but would only deliver this proposal orally to the President.

4. The Case Officer persuaded Subject to give him a copy of the Imbert resignation (attached herewith with photos and newspaper clippings) and told Subject that the Case Officer would send these by messenger to the White House and would inform the President that Subject has a proposal to convey to the President from Imbert. The Case Officer impressed upon Subject that it was not at all likely a meeting could be arranged with the President. Finally, Subject said he would wait until tomorrow afternoon or not later than Saturday and, if no meeting could be arranged, he would return to Miami.

5. In the course of the conversation it became apparent that Subject's personal reason for desiring a meeting with the President is not so much to convey the Imbert message but to have himself photographed with the President and to derive publicity which would enhance Subject's personal prestige among the members of the exile Cuban community.

6. The Case Officer berated Subject, who responded good naturedly, on his uncoordinated and unilateral action as outlined above and told Subject that he was only hurting his position with KUBARK, particularly if it became known among newspapermen that he was a KUBARK agent. Subject said he was sure this would not become known and he could handle this aspect of the problem. Subject also said that if his Case Officer in Miami was unhappy with his behavior, Subject was willing to resign. He said further he had just recently received an offer for a combined radio/television program from a Caracas, Venezuela station making an offer of \$5,000 per month. (Subject's KUBARK salary is \$3,000 per month.)

7. Subject finally agreed that he would coordinate with the present Case Officer in Washington prior to any discussions with newspaper people here or with Government people and that he would report on meetings to the Case Officer.

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8. Stevenson has been informed by WH/C that he is to tell Subject (if a meeting takes place) that Subject is to contact his Case Officer in Washington. Another meeting is scheduled with Subject before his departure for Miami. As the situation now stands it is unlikely that Subject will have any contacts with Government officials with the possible exception of Stevenson. The present Case Officer has impressed upon Subject the lack of wisdom in his present behavior, the danger of blowing himself and the consequences that would follow. Subject appeared to have understood the gravity of the situation and expressed willingness to cooperate, at least for the present.

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ADC/WH/C

Attachments:
Resignation
Photos
Newspaper clippings

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