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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Edward G. Tichborn (P) - Contacts in Los Angeles

- 1. In the course of his debriefing on 1 February, Tichborn said that he expected he would be called upon to address some public groups on his impressions on his recent stay in Havana. He went on further to state that if he did not do so, he felt it would appear strange to his colleagues in Los Angeles.
- 2. Additionally, Tichborn said that the Director of Tourism in Cuba had told him that American nowspapermen, TV casters, etc. were welcome and that if snyone chose to come to Cuba on such a mission he would be received with open arms and the Cuban Government would defray his expenses. He spoke at this time of Mr. Clete Roberts and asked if it would be alright for him to speak with Mr. Roberts who was a good friend of his and pass on the suggestion. On both of the above counts, Tichborn said that he felt it would enhance his position should he be called upon to return to Cuba.
- 3. I agreed with Tichborn that he should speak if called upon and that he could pass on the Director's of Tourism remarks to his friend Mr. Roberts. On 3 February I checked the above out with Mr. Coerst, WH/C/PP, who concurred in my decision. On 3 February I also reconfirmed the above to Tichborn.

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