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SUBJECT: After-hours Duty Officer Report

At approximately 7:30PM, Friday, December 15, 1961, the following

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Kenneder John F. SUBJECT: The President's Visit to South America

One Homer BRET, who was formerly employed by CIA and released in 1957 as being unstable, furnished the Bureau with the following information: "The Army and Air Force in Caracas and Marquepia are confined to their barracks and their duties reportedly have been taken over by the National Guard and the Navy which services are under the command of pro-communist offices". .

information was reported to the writer by (Mr. Andrew J. Decker, FBI:

An informant from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, furnished the following to the FBI's Detroit Office:

This source advised that Venezuelan students at the University of Michigan, representing all shades of Venezuelan opinion, have in the past few days expressed concern regarding the President's trip. Those representing a pro-revolutionary view, but anti-Castro as well as staunch conservatives, express great fear for the safety of the President. Both groups state that they regard political evolution in Venezuela now impossible and both groups look for a "blood bath" in their country. (Opinions expressed by students only). Note: FBI source very close to various students from South America. There are some eighty (80) Venezuelanistudents in Ann Arbor.

The following information was furnished FBI/Washington by FBI/San Juan:

A Mrs. Magda BOURET reported that one Samuel OQUENDO overheard a conversation last night (12/14) in a small cafe on the waterfront section of San Juan to the effect that the Nationalist and pro-Castro groups had gotten together to stop a demonstration on the President's arrival. This group of more than three persons were discussing a small bomb they had found, and, further, made the statement that it

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was a very small bomb as compared to the one they were going to throw at the President.

Mr. Decker, FBI, reported to the writer that this information was given to the Army Signal Corps at San Juan for immediate relay to the Secret Service.

The three items, reported above, were furnished to Mr. John McIntyre, ARA Duty Officer, at approximately 7:45PM, December 15, 1961.

At approximately 9PM, December 15, 1961, Mr. Decker, FBI, reported the following to the writer:

The Legal Attache's Office at Mexico City reported the following to the FBI/Washington:

An informant advised the FBI that he received information from a reliable source that a chartered viscount flight would fly directly from Havana to Aruba on December 19, 1961 with fourty (40) persons aboard. This group is being flown to Aruba for interference with the President's trip and the crew members are reportedly anti-Castro. This source reportedly has a wide acquaintanceship with the Havana airlines personnel. (This information might be related to the President's Bermuda visit.)

The above information was reported to Mr. John McIntyre, ARA Duty Officer at 9:15PM, December 15, 1961.

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