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Enclosed are seven copies of a letterhead memorandum reporting information which was furnished by Lieutenant Colonel MARIANO FAGET, Director of the Cuban Bureau for the Repression of Communist Activities (BRAC), on November 7, 1958. FAGET's identity was concealed by a T symbol but the source has not been evaluated in a separate memorandum as he was identified in the body of the letterhead memorandum as a confidential source abroad.

Careful consideration has been given to the T symbol used in this memorandum and it was utilized only because the source must be concealed.

The Bureau's attention is called to Havana letter entitled "I. IRVING DAVIDSON, FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS," dated February 21, 1958, advising that Colonel FAGET had requested background information on DAVIDSON. The Bureau replied to this letter in letters dated March 6, and March 13, 1958 (Bufile 2-1423) advising that Bureau files contained no pertinent information on DAVIDSON.

Colonel FAGET at the time of contact on November 7, 1958, advised he would appreciate any information we could furnish concerning the background of "I. COHEN" who is referred to in the enclosed memorandum. (S)(u)

Two extra copies of this letter and the enclosed memorandum are submitted to the Bureau for forwarding to the New York office. It is requested, subject to Bureau approval, that the New York office furnish any available information on COHEN in form suitable for dissemination to Colonel FAGET as a matter of cooperation with him. It is suggested that the Bureau make inquiry to determine if COHEN has made appropriate registration as a foreign agent. (S)(u)

Information contained in the enclosed memorandum has been disseminated to the following offices in the U. S. Embassy: The Ambassador, Counselor of Embassy, CIA, Army, Naval and Air Attaches, and the U. S. Treasury representative.

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