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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Examination by Mr. G. Robert Blakey of Sanitized Portions of History of Mexico City Station

1. At 1745 hours on 23 August 1978, Mr. Scott Breckinridge, Mr. Norbert Shepanek and the undersigned met with Mr. G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA). The meeting took place in Mr. Breckinridge's office. The purpose of the meeting, inter alia, was to make available to Mr. Blakey certain sanitized portions of CS HP 329 (SECRET), a three volume history of the Mexico City Station covering the period 1947 - 1969. The portions selected for sanitization were previously designated by Mr. Gary Cornwell as being of interest to the HSCA. Mr. Edwin Lopez, of the HSCA staff, was also present, but did not have access to the Mexico City Station material.

2. Mr. Blakey was furnished the following sanitized portions of the Station history which he read in my presence:

a. Volume I, Chapter II (C) - Station Expansion and Joint Operations (1959-1969), consisting of pages 34 through 57.

b. Volume II, Chapter III (A-3) - The Cuban Embassy, consisting of pages 221 through 256.

c. Volume II, Chapter III (A-4) - Operational Support and Technical Collection Activities, consisting of pages 257 through 298.

d. Volume II, Chapter III (B) - Covert Action Operations (portion relating to student operations only), consisting of pages 327 through 336.

e. Volume II, Chapter IV - Joint Operations and Projects Using Mexican Government Officials (portions relating to Project LIENVOY and LITEMPO only), consisting of pages 409 through 423.

f. Volume III, Chapter X - Merida Base (1962 - 1965), consisting of pages 485 through 494.

3. I assured Mr. Blakey that I would be happy to discuss with him any of the deleted items and explain the nature of the content and the reason for its deletion. I told Mr. Blakey that since he was personally reviewing the material, and the same would hold true for Mr. Cornwell, I felt that I could be very candid in describing the deleted portions. Mr. Blakey thanked me, but did not at any time raise any questions about deletions. After he had finished his review I repeated my offer to discuss any portion of the material. He again thanked me and said he had no questions.

4. Mr. Blakey did not indicate (nor did I ask) whether he would continue to seek access to the entire three volume history in its unsanitized form.


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