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UINSURRECTIONAL MOVEMENT FOR REVOLUTIONARY RECOVERY), SAID THAT JACK BROOKS AN AIR STRIKE OVER CUBA WHEN HIS

TWIN-ENGINE BEECHCRAFT CRASHED WHILE HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO LAND AT FREEPORT, GRAND BAHAMAS ISLAND, ON 2 FEB. JOHNSON SAID THAT A BOAT WITH AMMUNITION AND SUPPLIES WAS WAITING FOR THE PLANE TO ARRIVE AT FREEPORT. THIS CARGO WAS THEN TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE BEECH-JOHNSON ADDED THAT HE WAS ASKING BOSCH FOR \$2,000 TO GIVE TO

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- 2. JOHNSON ALSO SAID THAT WRIGHT HAD FLOWN THE SAME BEECHCRAFT OVER CUBA ON 17 JAN WHEN THE MIRR BOMBED THE NIAGARA SUGAR MILL IN PINAR DEL RIO PROVINCE. (FIELD COMMENT: ANOTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPORTED THAT WRIGHT DEPARTED AT 12:30 P.M. ON 16 JAN IN A BEECHCRAFT BEARING REGISTRATION N 52933 FROM FORT LAUDERDALE FOR FREEPORT.

 HE LEFT FREEPORT AT 5:17 P.M. AND CHECKED THROUGH FORT LAUDERDALE CUSTOMS AT 6:20 P.M. THAT DAY. THERE IS NO INFORMATION TO INDICATE THAT THE N 52933, THE SAME AIRCRAFT THAT CRASHED ON 2 FEB, WAS FLOWN ON 17 JAN.)
- 3. (FIELD COMMENT: THE 3 FEB ISSUE OF THE MIAMI HERALD REPORTED THAT THE FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY IDENTIFIED THE DEAD PILOT WHO CRASHED AT FREEPORT AIRPORT ON THE AFTERNOON OF 2 FEB AS JACK BROOKS WRIGHT OF 6208 NE 5TH AVE, MIAMI. WRIGHT TOOK OFF FROM FORT LAUDERDALE HOLLYWOOD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT 11:48 A.M. IN THE TWIN-ENGINE BEECHCRAFT, WHICH WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN RENTED TO A UNIFORM SUPPLY FIRM. THE FAA SAID THAT WRIGHT WAS LISTED AS THE OWNER OF THE PLANE.)
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