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Memorandum

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TO : Chief, Contact Division
 ATTN : Support Branch

FROM : Acting Chief, Miami Field Office

SUBJECT: Cuban Christian Democratic Party

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Miami

1. We have been informed by Jorge MANTILLA, a Cuban national, and a source of this office, that during a recent meeting of the Cuban Christian Democratic movement in exile, which was held in Miami, it was agreed that factions which had previously broken away would rejoin the original party. It was agreed by all members present that they would concentrate on maintaining unity, establishing a new political orientation and improving relations with Christian Democratic movements of other countries in Latin America.

2. Mr. Ernesto RODRIGUEZ, who is held in high esteem by all members of the party, was elected as new president of the party, replacing Laureano Batista. Members of the Executive Committee consist of Jose Ignacio RASCO, Melchor GASTON, Enrique VILLARREAL, Jorge MANTILLA, Jose Angel ORTEGA, Alfonso GOMEZ Mena, Laureano BATISTA, and Enrique ROS.

3. The new Executive Council will strengthen ties with the Christian Democratic movements in Venezuela, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Brazil, and Mexico. This is stated in Information Bulletin No. 2, issued by the council and dated 15 Sep 62, and is attached.

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Attachment:
 Information Bulletin No. 2

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