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TO DIRECTOR

FROM HAVANA

ACTION C/MH 2 (R) REYNOLDS (WH) NOTIFIED AT 0108 HRS 15 DEC)

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CITE HAVA 3042

DESTROYED

ATTN: PATRICK KARNLEY

RE: A. HAVA 3023 (IN 18502)**

B. HAVA 5005

C. HAVA 5668

D. DIR 03177 (OUT 60407)*

1. SUBJECTS ARTIME AND VARONA LEFT HAVA ON SS VERAMAR ABOUT 1900 HOURS 14 DECEMBER, ETA TAMPA 16 DEC. REQUEST MEET AT DELTA LINE DOCKS.

2. EXFILTRATION NOT BY PADRE BALBINO AND SPAN EMB CONTACTS AS INDICATED REF A BUT BY AMCOO WHO MADE UNEXPECTED APPEARANCE HAVA. VERAMAR CAPTAIN [GEORGE JONES] IS BROTHER [IVAN] WHO PARTICIPATED IN PREVIOUS EXFILTRATIONS. NO OTHER INFO.

3. WHILE WAITING EXFILTRATION ARTIME REVISED RESIGNATION LETTER WHICH NOW IN POSSESSION OF STATION. SCALED PHOTOS THIS LETTER POUCHED HQS REF B AND TO [MEXI] REF C FOR [STATION] AND ARTIME USE ONCE CONTACT MADE THERE.

4. STATION TAKING NO KUCAGE ACTION RE EXPLOITATION ARTIME

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LETTER. WHEN ADVISED ARTIME DEPARTED U. S., ASSUME REF D DOES NOT PRECLUDE PASSING ARTIME LETTER TO BROTHER BALBINO TOGETHER WITH ARTIME NOTE TO LOCAL PRESS FOR USE HE SEES FIT. ADVISE.

5. REQUEST KARNLEY REIMBURSE ARTIME U. S. \$400 WHICH STATION ASKED HIM PAY BOAT CAPTAIN. Done 15 Dec. RR.

FILED: 150225Z.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S Comments: *Concerned plans to exfiltrate Manuel Francis Artime, INRA official in Oriente province, from Cuba and KUCAGE (3) exploitation of his defection as well as a written letter implicating Castro in a Communist conspiracy.

**Stated that the next attempt to exfiltrate Artime and Varona would be made over the weekend of 12-14 December by [Padre Balbino] via his Spanish Embassy contacts.

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