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DRAFT LETTER TO FBI

Pursuant to the telephone conversation 16 November 1961 between Mr. Jabon of the Federal Eureau of Investigation and Mr. Whedbee of CIA, information concerning recent discussions between U.S. Government representatives and Dr. MIRO Cardona, head of the Cuban Revolutionary Council, is set forth in the following paragraphs.

On 31 October 1961 representatives of the Department of State and the Central Intelligence Agency met with Dr. NIRO and read him a policy paper which had been agreed upon by the two agencies. In this paper the U S. Government reiterated its confidence in Dr. NIRO and expressed the hope that he would continue to lead the fight against the CASTRO Regime until Cuba is liberated. It was stated that the United States regards the Cuban Revolutionary Council as the central point of contact in dealing with Cuban exiles, and at every appropriate opportunity will lend the CRC all appropriate assistance to become the unquestioned leader and unifying force of the Cuban exile community. To this and the United States will arrange that exile groups other than the CRC now receiving direct support will beneficiath receive this same assistance through the CRC. It was pointed out that the possibility always exists that new exile groups will form which may, in the U.S. view, merit direct support if they are unwilling to work with the CRC; in such instances the CRC will be kept fully informed.

The exile groups presently affiliated with the CRC are: Ecvimiento Recuperacion Revolucionario (FRR), Movimiento Democratico Cristiano (FDC), Juventud Democratico Cristiano (JUDEC), the youth Section of EDC, Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE), Accion Revolucionario Democratico (ADC), 30th of Hovember Movement, Rescate Democratico Revolucionario (RDR), Montecristi, and the 20 de Mayo. The Unidad Revolucionario (UR) is believed about to join the CRC. The Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP) will be encouraged to join, but may offer resistance. It is not unlikely that some factions of the groups affiliated with the CRC will refuse to cooperate with it.

It should be noted that the Frente Revolucionario Democrata (FRD), has been abolished and its sembership largely assimilated by the CRC.