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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: AMCROAK Operation

Job #

File # 19-6-97

Inclusive dates:

Volumes: 6

1. Description:

None of the files contained an objective explanation on the file opening sheet as to the purpose of this operation (there was no /1 file); however, it appears to be built around a principal agent (AMCROAK-1) who was an FI on-island reporting source. See attached sketch on A-1 (201-738660) 1 volume.

2. Findings:a. MADR 9866 (IN 74333) 5 Dec 63:

AMCROAK-1 discussed an op plan with AMOT-2, which consisted of elimination of high GOC personalities. A-1 had not mentioned the plan to the case officer. (A-1 was recruited by CIA in Madrid Dec 63. At the time of recruitment he was involved with a group planning to kill CASTRO, a completely extra-CIA affiliation.)

b. MADR 9928 (IN 78595) dated 11 December 1963:

The above plan mentioned by A-1 concerned the physical elimination of CASTRO, AMLOUT-1 () and AMQUACK-1 (). A-1 said seven persons were involved in the plan and that they had studied it for eight months. The C/O told A-1 that ~~USC~~ did not look with approval on such activities, but he would pass the information on to his supervisors. 7

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c. DIRECTOR 88949 dated 12 December 1963:

In discussions with AMCROAK-1 he was to be told that a coup against CASTRO resulting in ouster of CASTRO and the Communist regime was an internal affair for which only Cubans could be responsible. That in the event of a real coup against the CASTRO regime, the U.S. Government was prepared to render full support, upon invitation.

d. UFGA 13793 dated 27 January 1964:

When discussing the plan with AMCROK -1, the case officer learned that the Subject of UFGA 12025 dated 23 Oct 1963 () was one of the principal planners. When the C/O told A-1 that the USG did not condone such actions, A-1 replied that in view of our lack of support of this undertaking, he considered it not prudent to reveal further details, but added that he actually did not know the names of any other possible participants and had only a general idea of the scheme which was to waylay CASTRO as he was leaving an apartment.

e. UFGA 13794 dated 28 January 1964:

Para 1 B., In January 1963 Fidel asked AMCROAK-1 what he thought of President Kennedy and his relationship with Fidel. A-1 replied that Fidel probably underestimated Kennedy, that the latter by no means was illiterate or the imbecile Fidel often described him to be, and in the long run Kennedy would be Fidel's undoing. Fidel laughingly replied that he would be the one who ruined Kennedy because within 8

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months Fidel would have Latin America burning. Fidel made an obscene motion and said he would have Kennedy "in the air."

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Attachments:

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