

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Files were furnished for review by the Director of Security, the Deputy Director for Support, the General Counsel, the Legislative Counsel, the Chief of WH Division, and by Col. J. C. King, former Chief of WH Division. Biographic files and intelligence publications were furnished by the Director of Central Reference. He was not made witting of the reason for our interest in them, and those who assembled them for him were not told for whom they were intended.

We called back four officers for interviews: Richard Bissell, Sheffield Edwards from retirement, William Harvey from sick leave, and Nestor Sanchez from his post in Caracas. Otherwise, our interviews were confined to officers assigned to the headquarters installation. We opened each interview by referring to the Drew Pearson column of 7 March 1967, citing that as the reason for our interest in learning of plots to assassinate Castro. We told those interviewed that we were on a fact-finding mission on behalf of the Director, and that this was not the usual sort of Inspector General investigation. We asked each to name any others who were likely to have knowledge of such plots. We cautioned each not to discuss the subject of the interview with anyone else--even others whom we might interview. This is a complete list of those interviewed:

- Desmond FitzGerald
- Samuel Halpern
- Bruce Cheever
- J. C. King
- Alfonso Rodriguez
- J. D. Esterline
- Edward Gunn
- Howard Osborn
- James O'Connell
- Sidney Gottlieb
- Sheffield Edwards
- Richard Bissell
- Lawrence Houston
- Ray Treichler
- John Warner
- Nestor Sanchez
- William Harvey
- Cornelius Roosevelt
- Robert Bannerman
- Henry Bortner
- Richard Ober