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THIS IS NY 4836-1 FOR OO-A(S). CONTACT AND SOURCE IS <sup>06108</sup> ERNESTO DEZALDO, 330 E. 69TH ST, NEW YORK, TEMPORARY ADDRESS. HE WILL CALL ON CAL WATCH IN TWO WEEKS AND GO ON FROM HERE. YOU HAVE ALL BIO DATA IN FILES FROM PAST CORRESPONDENCE. DEZALDO IS (OR WAS) SUCCESSFUL CUBAN LAWYER UNTIL FORCED TO FLEE TWO MONTHS AGO. HE IS FORMER COLLEGE CLASSMATE OF MINE. FOLLOWING WAS GIVEN ME AT LUNCH ON 30 OCT 61, HENCE IN FIRST PERSON REPORT FORM, WITHOUT QUOTATION MARKS, FOR READY TRANSMITTAL TO DD/P, AND/OR OTHERS:

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UNTIL LEAVING CUBA PERMANENTLY IN EARLY SEP 61, I WAS ASSOCIATED WITH M/R/P UNDERGROUND. ~~IT WAS~~ BY FAR <sup>THE</sup> LARGEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE GROUP IN HAVANA. ITS DIRECTORATE WAS RELATIVELY UNTOUCHED BY THE <sup>THE</sup> SUBVERSIVES FOLLOWING INVASION ATTEMPT IN APR 61. UNDER LEADERSHIP OF ITS LEADER, COORDINATOR, R. GONZALEZ (KNOWN AS "ANTONIO") SINCE BEEN ARRESTED. DIRECTORATE CONTINUES TO MEET WEEKLY IN ~~VARIOUS~~

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