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25 November 1963

CONTACT REPORT:

PERSONS PRESENT: AMLASH/1, Matthew H. ONTRICH, (alias Nicholas Sanson)

TIME & PLACE: 22 November 1963, Charlie Gray's Apt., Paris, France

1. AMLASH/1 planned return, and held reservations on Cubana from Prague to Havana on 28 November 1963. He planned depart Paris on 25 or 27 November for Prague on Czech Airlines but still did not have reservations. He was asked to inform Mr. Roberto (Bob Owen) when reservations confirmed.

2. AMLASH/1 stated he was returning to Cuba fully determined to pursue his plans to initiate a coup against AMTHUG. Subject was pleased to read a copy of President Kennedy's 18 November speech in Miami and was even more pleased to hear that Mr. Clark (DAINOLD) had helped prepare the President's speech. ONTRICH reiterated the assurances given by DAINOLD of full U.S. support if a real coup against the AMTHUG regime is successful.

3. AMLASH/1 continued to insist that as long as AMTHUG is around the number of individuals knowledgeable of a coup against the regime must be kept to an absolute minimum. The individuals in whom AMLASH/1 has the most confidence and whom he believes can be trusted in the initial stages of the operation if it is necessary to cut other individuals in are:

- a. Cmdte. Efigenio Amajearas Delgado
- b. AMTRUNK/10
- c. Jose Naranjo Morales, Mayor of Havana.
- d. Jose Assef, former sub-Sec. Ministry of Interior and presently Assistant to Naranjo, Municipality of Havana.

AMLASH/1 feels that once AMTHUG is removed, the following officers can be counted on to support the coup:

- a. Cmdte. Raul Diaz-Arguelles Garcia
- b. Nieves Brothers
- c. Capt. Fausto Lopez Miranda

- d. Capt. Juan Nuiry Sanchez who is a close friend and can influence stand of Capt. Felipe Guerra Matos.

Once coup appears successful, AMLASH/1 feels the following officers will fall in line:

- a. Cmdte. Juan Almedya Bosque
- b. Cmdte. Faure Chomon Mediavilla (must check Chomon thoroughly to determine extent and depth of his ideological feelings toward Marxism. AMLASH/1 is not completely sure of him at this point).
- c. Gustavo Arcos Berghes, Amb. to Belgium.
- d. Enrique Rodriguez-Loeches, Amb. to Morocco
- e. Cmdte. Antonio Castell

Although it has never been confirmed to AMLASH/1 that KUBARK is in contact with AMTRUNK/10, AMLASH/1 again mentioned as he had several times in the past ~~mentioned~~ his concern for the security of AMTRUNK/10, and his feeling if AMICE/14 continues to contact him ^{from inside} inside Cuba we run the risk of losing him.

4. AMLASH/1 asked for the following items to be included in a cache inside Cuba: 20 hand grenades, 2 high power rifles with scopes and approximately 20 lbs. C-4 and related equipment. AMLASH/1 suggested best place for cache was finca managed by AMTRUNK/10.

5. Since he was returning via Prague AMLASH/1 did not desire to carry any incriminating material with him. In order to provide him time to establish his normal pattern once he returned to Havana, it was agreed his S/W material would not be sent to him until sometime between 5-15 January 1964. AMLASH/1 suggested and C/O agreed he should not engage in any activity which may draw suspicion to him for at least a month. During December he planned attending the various anniversary functions coming due during this month and again speaking in Santa Clara as he has done each year in the past on the anniversary date of the battle of Santa Clara. He also felt this would give him an opportunity to check the pulse of his friends in that city. Don Roberto (Bob Owen) arranged the attached plan for the S/W delivery which if needed

can still be used, but ONTRICH arranged the following change with AMLASH/1 in case the person making the delivery does not desire personal contact with Ernestina ACCOSTA.

a. Proposed address for delivery of S/W material #56638 remains the same, time and dates of delivery the same.

b. Alternate method of delivery:

A letter containing the S/W material is placed in Ernestina's mailbox in the building. Once the letter is placed in the mailbox, the person making the delivery calls ("Ene") at 30-30-65 giving the name "Luis". He tells her that he sent the medicine for her mother over to her, "Ya te mande la medicina para tu mama". The envelope should preferably have on it the name of a medical lab. and the S/W pills should be in a small envelope, also containing the name of the medical lab. (One in Mexico is fine).

The letter to "Ene" should simply state "enclosed is the medicine you requested I get for you, signed "Luis".

Letters signed "Luis" will be written on the S/W carbon, and indicate resupply of S/W material.

Letters signed "Tape" will contain an S/W message.

AMLASH/1 hesitated when asked if he was sure there were mailboxes in the building, but then answered he was sure there were. If by any chance there are no mailboxes in the building, the individual making delivery should simply call "Ene" and tell her he has the medicine for her and tell her where to pick it up.

6. AMLASH/1's Ops thinking appeared much less foggy than before. He is now also including in his planning the necessity for taking over the Havana radio station in the early stages in order to broadcast his appeal for support.

7. When coming out of the meeting the C/O and AMLASH/1 were informed of the assassination of President Kennedy. AMLASH/1 was visibly moved over the news. He asked the question "why do such things happen to good people?"

8. AMLASH/1 was given \$350.00 for personal expenses.

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1. Communications problem and training:

AMLASH sensitive this point but believe he will see need good, rapid commo if we to provide support he needs.

Best solution to commo problem would be:

a. Give AMLASH two weeks of intensive commo training on AR-48 so that he will be knowledgeable enough to train his own commo operator inside PERUMEN. (We realize AMLASH personally will not maintain a satisfactory commo link, therefore, we feel best solution is for him to find a trusted person to do it for him. Best possibility appears to be his former secretary whom he claims to trust.)

b. AMLASH already trained in S/W but wrote only two letters in one year. One letter was never received. Extra carbons and developer pills are in brown envelope in safe marked "AMLASH/1 SW Carbons and Pills." (AMLASH/1 may also be able to train the above radio communicator and use her or him as case may be to write his S/W messages.)

c. If and when the training can be given a trainer will come to do the job.

2. If the opportunity presents itself it would be helpful to have more of the following information before our final period of briefings and discussions with AMLASH/1:

a. Info on individuals who close friends and AMLASH may use in his operation, such as:

1. Maj Raul Diaz-Arguelles Garcia
2. Maj Antonio Cstells
3. Capt Fausto Lopez Miranda
4. Capt Juan Nuiry Sanchez
5. Maj Efigenio Ameijeiras Delgado

b. How can the following reportedly anti-Communist officers be used:

1. Maj Juan Almedia Bosque
2. Capt Felipe Guerra Mateo, who is now Chief of the Militia and reportedly a close friend of Juan Nuiry Sanchez
3. Maj Pedro Miret Prieto, General Staff, Chief of artillery
4. Maj Jose Quevedo, director de la escuela superior del ejército
5. Capt Manuel Carbonell Duque, director officer's school Matanzas

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6. Maj Enrique Bourbonet Gomez, deputy to Maj Fernandez

Alvarez who is Chief of Training Rebel Army and

7. Maj Jose Fernandez Alvarez himself

8. Paure Choymon ^{Chairman} Mediatilla, Minister of Communications

c. Ask for ANLASH/1 opinion on:

1. Samuel Rodiles Plenas

2. Rene Rodriguez de los Santos

3. Oscar Fernandez Mel

4. Jose Ponce Diaz

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Proposed address for delivery of S/W material

Residence of Ernestina ("Ene") ACOSTA

Located at top floor, modern apartment building at corner of 25th and H streets in Havana. See sketch.

Friend said that it is a "casa de huéspedes"; "Ene" thus is one of several young women who live in the apartment. Everybody is "de confianza" according to our friend but he doesn't seem to know the names of the other inhabitants and cannot say whether or not there are any other apartments on the top floor. He does not know whether or not there is an elevator.

The telephone at the apartment is 30 38 65. Anyone may answer, including "Ene".

The address is a block from the Medical Faculty of the Univ. of Havana. "Ene" is a pharmacist.

Proposed time of delivery of S/W material

During the first two weeks of January.

Proposed method of delivery.

Person to deliver (or obviously someone working with that person) calls 30 38 65, preferably about 0800 hours, and asks for "Ene". The conversation should then go approximately as follows:

(our person) giving NAME "Luis" "Llamo para saber si conseguistes la medicina para mama."

("Ene" (if conditions are right for delivery) "Si, pasa por aqui para entregartela."

(if conditions are not right for delivery) "No, no la tengo todavia. Vuelve a llamar"

If the answer is affirmative, our person goes immediately to the building.

It seems best that our person go to the apartment where "Ene" is and for her to be waiting there at the door. An alternative, which can be established by the person telephoning, can be to make delivery in the entrance to the building. However, that entrance is visible clearly from the street.

On delivering the S/W material, our person simply hands the envelope (preferably one with the name of a medical lab or the medical faculty) to "Ene".

Proposed address for receipt of incoming S/W

Ernestina ACOSTA's address at 25th and H

Proposed address for receipt of outgoing S/W

The address in Paris of the parents-in-law of UNSNAFU/9

Our friend will normally write to UNSNAFU/9 at the office of the latter; when he sends a letter to the address of the parents-in-law, UNSNAFU/9 knows that it should be delivered to KUEARK, normally via UNSNAFU/5.

NOTE: Our friend clearly needs a review on how to prepare an S/W message.

