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Forwarded under separate cover is a copy of AMOT Report EE-837 concerning comments on President Kennedy's assassination and Cuba's position in relation to the Communist World. The opinions covered in this report were the subject of a letter received by AMOT-152 from a friend residing in Cuba, [redacted] is the brother-in-law of AMFAUNA-28.

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Report # EE-837.

20 Dec 63

COUNTRIES INVOLVED: U.S./Cuba/Communist Bloc.

SUBJECT: Comments concerning President KENNEDY's assassination and Cuba's position in relation to the Communist world.

DATE OF INFORMATION: year 1963.

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AGENT MAKING REPORT: [redacted] AMOT-28
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SOURCE: On 15 Dec 63, Agent [redacted] received a letter written normally from his friend [redacted] from Havana. [redacted] resides at [redacted] Marianao municipal term, CITY 201-31177 of Havana. For 20 years he worked as a lawyer [redacted] and resigned to this position on or about mid-1962. [redacted] is the brother-in-law [redacted]

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[redacted] Agent [redacted] reports that [redacted] is not a Communist. AMOT-152

Subject letter was dated in Havana on 2 Dec 63, and was received in Miami by air mail on 15 Dec 63.

INFORMANT: Personal appreciations by [redacted] taking into consideration that in view of his degree or education, of the position which he used to hold, and of the fact that he is still in Cuba he can form a "more or less" exact opinion about the Cuban political situation.

"I imagine that you must have followed very closely all the happenings which have been taking place since KENNEDY's death. On Saturday the 23rd of November--the day after the assassination--the Traitor (Fidel CASTRO) hurriedly appeared on television to make an angry protest that they wanted to involve him in the assassination.

"He defended himself like a wild beast and immediately launched an accusation against what he calls the 'reactionary elements' over there. He said that all this was another 'scheme' of Imperialism and that he was uncovering the maneuver.

"The next day--Sunday the 24th--he again spoke in Artemisa, Pinar del Rio province, and on 27 Nov he again spoke on the stairs of Havana University for the same objective. In all these appearances the subject was always the same....KENNEDY had been killed by reactionary elements and now they wanted to blame him. And with the following characteristic: every time he dragged the Soviet Union in with him, that is, he claimed the scheme was directed against him and the Russians. This is the most significant fact of all this, and the sinister roots of the case as I will explain to you.

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"On the 22nd of October 1962, during the crisis, KHRUSHCHEV capitulated and promised KENNEDY first to withdraw the missiles, then the bombers, and last the troops. Then CASTRO screamed like mad, rushed to the TV cameras, rebelled like a beast, and said that 'no one could inspect him'... 'the discrepancies between Cuba and the USSR would be discussed between equals,' and other similar things. First sign of rebellion against the master who has sold him down the river and who begins to abandon him.

"Later on MIKOYAN comes to Cuba and stays here for over a month without being able to get absolutely anything from CASTRO; he even had to withstand the humiliation of having to wait for hours to be received by CASTRO. Second provocation.

"Between July and August 1963 the traitor (CASTRO) is taken to the USSR almost by force on a mysterious trip from which he returns without revealing absolutely anything. Later on the nuclear test ban treaty is signed. CASTRO immediately refuses to sign it, claiming that while 'Yankee Imperialism' does not stop its aggressions against Cuba he will not sign. In addition, he also refused to support in the United Nations the resolution concerning the creation of a denuclearized zone in Latin America.

"What lies behind all these happenings? Very simple. CASTRO has known since the 22nd of October 1962 that the USSR is going to abandon him, gradually but definitely. At this moment the USSR is most of all interested in an approach to the United States in view of its ideological break with Red China and of the serious economic crisis which it has been facing for some years.

"That was the main reason why KENNEDY did not invade Cuba then, and that was his wisest decision. At that time the break with China was imminent and under no circumstances could happenings be provoked which might tend to again unite the USSR and China.

"It was necessary to 'freeze' Cuba for some time. The break took place on 14 Jun 63 through the famous letter with the 25 points of the Chinese Communist Party to the Soviet Communist Party--which document I have in my possession. Therefore, with that maneuver KENNEDY did not humiliate the USSR and saved KHRUSHCHEV's face.

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"Many did not understand this, and that brilliant man was strongly criticized and accused of being weak. One must remember that above Cuba, which is only a peon in the international chess board, much higher interests had to be safeguarded. It was necessary to destroy the myth of the 'monolithic unity' of the Communist world, which the Communists have tired of proclaiming, and in the end it was necessary to show that they are also filled with great contradictions and to direct the global strategy against the leading enemy which is International Communism.

"Well, CASTRO knew this well and he was beginning to get scared because he understood perfectly that when the USSR withdrew its last soldier the count down would begin for him (CASTRO).

"Who were terribly harmed by the friendship and peaceful coexistence of the USSR and the U.S., by the lessening of world tension as result of all this? ...China and CASTRO. Who had a life or death interest, at that time, in a return to a cold war as result of a sudden separation or coldness between both giants? ...China and CASTRO. Who were urgently interested in provoking a transcendental event which might result in the break of those ties? ...China and CASTRO. The event took place; KENNEDY was assassinated. However, the United States were aware of the sinister plot and did not fall in the trap.

"The same night of KENNEDY's death the State Department published a note saying that 'no foreign power had been involved in the assassination.' The USSR was immediately pulled out of the affair. The suspicion which began to arise was stifled.

"Later on MIKOYAN and JOHNSON had an interview, and when MIKOYAN came out he declared that 'relations between both countries remained unchanged.' However, in all his appearances CASTRO continued to insist that 'plans had been directed against Cuba, the USSR, and peace.' By all means he wants to pull the USSR down with him. Note the insistence

"Did reactionary elements plan KENNEDY's assassination? I only ask myself this question: Is there anyone so stupid in the U.S. or in the world who thinks that there is going to be a sudden change in the situation because the President of the United States is assassinated? Absurd. In the United States everything does not revolve around a figure--like in totalitarian states; in the United States what governs

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is a team of men, a political party--the Democratic Party. Those men are closely connected with each other, and if one falls he is immediately replaced by another one and the chariot continues moving perfectly.

"The case of the assassin. He might be a lunatic, but lunatics do not act like ~~Le~~ ⁽²⁰¹⁻²⁷⁹²⁴⁸⁾ OSWALD acted. They attack suddenly without caring about the immediate consequences. Therefore, one must immediately discard the theory that it was a fanatic. Everything seems to indicate that KENNEDY's assassination was a political assassination. a political assassination. (according to)

"KENNEDY's assassin was nothing but an instrument in the hands of a sinister organization which sought higher objectives. The objective could not be other than to produce a break in the good relations between the United States and the USSR by those who might benefit politically from this happening. CHINA and CUBA are the keys to the enigma. All this will become known very soon, sooner than we imagine.

"There is also the incident of the Mexican employee of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City, and the angry reaction of Cuba through its Ambassador ROA when they learned that she had been arrested. The diplomatic note was written in an angry and rude tone. Mexicans are called the 'accomplices of KENNEDY's reactionary assassins' and it interferes in the internal affairs of Mexico. Then, there was some truth in the connection between this and that. They could no longer deny that OSWALD had requested a Cuban visa, but they claim that they refused to give him one. Is this true?

"In my opinion, the assassin planned to escape and to seek refuge here (Cuba), maybe even under a fictitious name. Everything is possible with these people. The diplomatic note also tries to involve the USSR, and we are back at the same thing. At a given moment, such a transcendent happening as KENNEDY's death could suddenly provoke a collective hysteria in the United States and maybe even provoke a confrontation with the USSR. Therefore, it was a diabolical scheme leading to achieve an effective happening which might benefit someone politically, and that someone could be MAO and Fidel.

"The objective might have been rapidly attained. Violent break--almost a state of war--between the U.S. and the USSR, and, naturally,

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the immediate beginning of an almost hot 'Cold War' with the subsequent support of all of KHRUSHCHEV's missiles to the tottering Cuban regime. Of course, this would be a brilliant and possible play in the case of an extremely dangerous paranoic.

"The Venezuelan Case:

"What a coincidence? Two days after KENNEDY's funeral a transcendental announcement is made: Venezuela officially accuses Cuba of landing a huge cargo of arms in that country. All the teams get mobilized and the immediate order is given to have a meeting of the Security Council of the O.A.S. All this happens with the speed of lightning. The cache of arms was discovered on the 2nd of November 1963, but the transcendental step was not given until now.... In my opinion, that was the Plan which KENNEDY was holding in reserve. But KENNEDY had more time to carry it out, and JOHNSON does not have so much time; and besides, it is necessary to act while things are hot and that is why it was advanced. Now I do think that the crucial moment has come! The mouse fell in the mousetrap with cheese and everything! It will be very difficult for CASTRO to get out of this ambush.

"Besides, many doubts and prejudices which we had been dragging for a long time now begin to get clarified. That was the Plan! Get CASTRO to accomplish something of such magnitude that it would affect all Latin American countries, so that all would have to adopt collective measures. The Plan was COLLECTIVE ACTION. That is why the Americans were opposed to actions by Cuban exiles. That is why they persecuted them. That is why KENNEDY rejected the idea of an invasion by the U.S. It was necessary to wait for the opportunity, and they waited for it. Everything will take place in the eyes of the world with the evidence on hand, according to law; that is the objective of Article 8 of the 1947 Rio de Janeiro Mutual Assistance Treaty. America has in its hands the legal instrument to do justice against Communism. It is a case of flagrant intervention in a country which is a signer of the Treaty by one which does not respect any Law and which has placed itself outside the law.

"If CASTRO has been shouting since the 2nd of December of 1961 that he 'is a Marxist-Leninist,' the fact is that he does not know absolutely anything about that. This gentleman has never been more

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than a university hoodlum, a bourgeois with free registration in Havana University. That is why those who were hunting him let him loose. It was necessary to wait patiently for him to make a mistake, and in the end he did make it. Fighting in Venezuela is a completely erroneous fight from all viewpoints, but in order to show that we are not--like they say we are--resentful bourgeois we are going to prove it from the Marxist-Leninist viewpoint.

"The CHINESE have said the following about this: 'We uphold that in the fight against Imperialism, strategically, considering the whole, it is necessary to have contempt for the enemy, to dare fight against him and to conquer victory. And at the same time, tactically, in each concrete struggle, it is necessary to take the enemy seriously into account and to adopt a conscientious and prudent attitude. Tactically, if the enemy is not taken seriously into account, and one acts in a rash manner, and if at the same time one does not dare to have contempt for the enemy strategically, one will inevitably commit the mistake of Adventurousness in Tactics and of Capitulationism in Strategy.' And comrade MAO also has to say the following about Tactics in his select works: 'If we do not act with prudence in each particular case, in each concrete problem, we do not take care in studying and in perfecting our art of fighting and we do not pay attention to winning all the allies which must be won (small farmers, small artisans and independent merchants, middle bourgeoisie, students, teachers, professors and intellectuals in general, simple public servants, professionals, and sensible persons), we will make a mistake of leftist Opportunism.'

"But Mr. Fidel CASTRO was a magnificent Marxist-Leninist and the result is: nothing more illogical than what is being done in Venezuela. How is it possible for a Marxist-Leninist--even for a first grade one--not to be aware that this type of tactical fight is only possible within a Dictatorial System, a System of the TRUJILLO type, a STROESSNER type, or a DUVALIER type?

"How is it possible in Venezuela where BETANCOURT was elected through clean elections, and who is now going to hold elections and will turn the reigns of the Government over to another person or to another Party? Only a cretin will think of it. Tactics are erroneous and falls frankly into the worst kind of Leftist Adventurousness. CASTRO has dug his own grave.

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"Summarizing: all these happenings, added up and acting at the same time, will lead to the destruction of the Communist regime which has been imposed on us by force. Because, and I repeat, the Revolution against BATISTA was exclusively political in nature and the true Communists arrived late in the Sierra Maestra, because even if 'the monkey is dressed in silk it is still a monkey.'

"Let us mix these ingredients. KENNEDY's assassination, the Venezuelan affair, 'Patilla's' (Fidel's) adventurousness--and we will get the best of all cocktails: CUBA LIBRE."

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