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FROM: Chief of Station, Mexico City

SUBJECT: Contact Report/LITAMIL-9

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PERUMEN LITAMIL 9

Attached herewith are contact reports of meetings with LI TAMIL-9

on 17 and 29 July 1963.

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Contact Report

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE D.C.I.

FROM : Lawrence L. [redacted]

SUBJECT : Meeting w/ C.I.A. L-9 17 July 1963

1. An unexpected meeting was held with LITANIE-L-9 at 0100 hours 17 July -- Barker has a scheduled meeting with AMSAHL-1 at the corner of Ejercito Nacional and Doctor Campo at 2100 hours but A-1 was not in place at 2103 when B made his second pass -- B then stopped by the corner of Gutenberg and Thiers where there is a pay phone -- to make a call to A-1 -- but as B's car pulled up (LITANIE-L-9) stepped out of the car and said, in English, "Here I am." L-9 got in the car and [redacted] drove away -- the mystery was clarified when L-9 explained that he had called B's home about 2030 hours and spoken with B's wife who said he was out and would probably be back in about half an hour -- [redacted] was en route to phone again (from the pay phone at Gutenberg & Thiers -- usual price at present) when he saw Barker pass by -- Barker spotted the car pull up at the corner -- he assumed by this time that Barker had spoken with his B's wife, and received the word that [redacted] was looking for him that night -- this a coincidence. L-9 explained his presence in the area (partly true) by saying he was out for better pick up points -- no mention was made of another scheduled meeting (with A-1). [redacted] drove on the Magetan highway to the vicinity of the Dawn Hotel where the meeting was held. L-9 was dropped off at 2325 hours.

2. L-9 revealed again his concern about security -- how the new ambassador and cultural attachés are such sharp people, hence much more dangerous. The elements of a complete clandestine communication system were explained "a la CIA regular," scheduled and non-scheduled, friendly and warning -- and some previous [redacted] made it voluntary out the details.

3. L reported that he is due to [redacted]

4. He reported the following additional developments:

(a) A big celebration of the 25th of July ANNIVERSARY will be held in (Indra Hotel, suburb of Tampico). This celebration -- SPG form -- will be two days long and will take place in the salons of the Cerveceria Tampico Cerveza (Brewery). The principal speaker will be Mr. Victor RICO Gilman. The event will take place at the 25th of July.

L-9 informed us that wants to have a photo session there and might want to do a tank boat or something.

(b) Colonel HEDR [redacted] who was instructed in Jacobina, P.R. during the President's trip to Manila, has supported the CIA/CIA [redacted] who apparently plan the interests of the Republic, has been invited "to make an official visit" in the United States and is planning to go there. [redacted] no further details.

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She was introduced to the First Lady by (then) BARRIOS.
See [] (herein).

- (c) APRIL 11, the new Cultural Counselor, told [] that C. F. M. (J. R.), Cuban Ambassador in Mexico, is going to be recalled soon because he has done much harm there to Cuban-Cuban relations.
- (d) APRIL 11, also reported that the magazine ESPRESSO in Cuba is having serious trouble obtaining newsprint.
- (e) ARANUCIO said that when he was in Prague he had trouble with the clique -- asked to be sent to some other European country -- was surprised at the suddenness of his transfer to Mexico.
- (f) (In response to a question as to who should be the man to might most easily recruit among the Embassy staff) [] said he has doubt about [] loyalty to the Castro regime. Relatively [] might be recruitable but wouldn't dare do it himself (I assured [] we would never ask him to undertake such a risky venture). [] goes window shopping along San Juan de Lurian often -- might be approachable there.
- (g) Only two Cubans were invited to the French Ambassador's residence on Matilde Bay (14 July) -- Ambassador HENNINGUE, Army and []. Each went separately but I saw them together.

[] At this affair, DUMONT the Soviet Military Attaché in a superficial manner of language mentioned [] to me and it became clear that the Cuban Ambassador [] in the name of the Soviets in the discussions with the Cuban [] DUMONT remark, I that he would be leaving soon but would be replaced with "another young man, just as strong as I am." DUMONT and the Ambassador agreed that current American policy for Latin America [] designed to give the impression that such governments as the new one in Argentina represent a peaceful advance whereas in fact they are financing for the military.

- (h) Mr. Ecuadorian youth named CLAUDIO BOGUILA was in the Embassy on 17 July -- spoke with ARANUCIO, the representative a group of pro-Castro writers in Ecuador on his trying to go to Cuba will probably get there. He has a wife and child -- brought a book as a gift for ARANUCIO.
- (i) ARANUCIO is busy working on the forthcoming Conference of Ambassadors which is to take place in Havana. In dealing personally with a man named LINNEZ on this subject, Linnez [] says that the JC Government has been sending lots of money to have the best of the coloring [] to arm [] [] without charges. A check for \$51 dollars, a thousand U.S. postage fees paid by Mexican delegates to the [] has been sent to Havana.
- (j) [] This [] the Embassy seems unable to meet by its restrictions on [] [] currency transactions with Cuba.

(c) I turned over to B (for return) a handbill put out by the Escuela Normal Rural de Santa Teresa Coahuila, dated 10 June 1963, explaining that schools invitation to Fidel Castro to act as sponsor of the 1958-1963 graduating class. Copy attached.

(1) I turned over a pornographic cartoon (for return) distributed by pro-Castro elements in Tampico. Copy not attached.

(m) Wilfredo O. the Cuban Consulate, Tampico, reported that Luis CALDIRON has a sister residing in Reynosa, Texas, married to an American of Mexican descent. Luisa may go up to the border to visit her sister soon -- or her mother may make the trip -- details not clear.

5. L-9 reports that he is [redacted]

[redacted] His information gathering method is still to keep his eyes and ears open and ask no questions -- thus he often gets only fragments -- while questions or discreet elicitation might fill in detail he is extremely wary lest he arouse any suspicion.

6. While he suggested V might want to toss a few stink bombs at the engraving exhibit on the 20th in Tampico and the subsequent celebration on the 26th in Ciudad Madero

[redacted] felt that the Mexican Government might think the disruption was engineered by the Castro Cubans, themselves, to throw suspicion on the anti-Castroites.

7. L-9 is really worried about his security and it will be up to us to take every practical precaution to protect him. He loves to talk -- quite a conversationalist -- and needs constant encouragement and cheering-up. He is [redacted] inclined to get himself on the back quite often and wait for a further pat from his care officer (which B is always quick to add). This characteristic comes out in his conversation when he stops and says, "I did very well there, didn't I?" or "That was a good [redacted] idea I had, wasn't it?" or "I think my ideas on handling such-and-such are pretty clever, don't you?"

8. For the present it has been decided to keep holding meetings in B's car -- always at night. The pick up point has been abandoned in favor of a mobile pick up -- I will start at the corner of Triana and Melchor Ocampo at the prescribed hour and work slowly up the street to Triana and Gutenberg -- then, without turning, will work his way back down the opposite side of the street to Melchor Ocampo -- I will cruise by in his car and make the pick up while L is walking. Other details will be worked out at the next meeting.

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