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(Manuscript - "Give Us This Day")

1. [redacted] called collect from New York to report that he had gotten a manuscript written by a Edward J. HAMILTON who was described by [redacted] as a long time Agency employee. An OS indices check revealed that in October 1960 Subject had been furnished an alias in conjunction with his proposed assignment to JMARC. In this conjunction Subject had received the name Edward J. HAMILTON, a backstop address and a [redacted] in this alias. In June 1963 a post office box at the Woodridge Station in Washington, D. C. was set up for the Subject in the name Edward J. HAMILTON. This box was cancelled in June 1965. It may be assumed that since no other Security Office reference exists for "Edward J. HAMILTON" that this alias may be the nom de plume for Subject in this instance.

2. [redacted] advised that he had reviewed sketchily the manuscript and saw nothing new nor exciting other than a reference to General Cabell, former director. According to the manuscript, and [redacted] version thereof, at the time of the Agency participation in the invasion of Cuba Mr. Dulles was out of town. General Cabell, returning from a golf game, allegedly cancelled the second or third air strike against the Castro forces. According to [redacted] General Cabell appears as the villain.

3. [redacted] reported that the Holt Publishing Company thought the manuscript too controversial to publish and apparently referred it to Tom WALLACE or Bill BUCKLEY. It was thought that perhaps the Conservative Book Club might be interested.

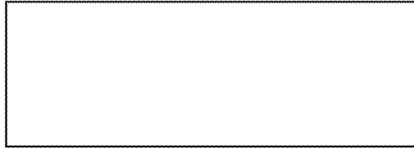
4. [redacted] indicated that he had to return the manuscript tomorrow (27 January 1970) and that he would call me before 11 a. m.

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to ask if we wished to have a xerox copy or some facsimile of the manuscript prepared by and forwarded.



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Re: BAY OF PIGS manuscript. Jan. 1970.

The manuscript came into my possession from a friend, Henry Durkin, publicity manager for Walker and Company. He originally had handled it while working for Arlington House.

The story had been sent to Arlington House by William Buckley, but was rejected because there were no means of checking out facts.

Walker & Co. are presently considering its publication.