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MEMORANDEM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation between AMBUD-1 and AMICE-8 as told to

TIMB:

20 June 1962, 1500-1630 hours

PLACE: Safehouse 49

1. According to AMICE-8, AMBUD-1 has just returned from a tour to the Central American countries of Costa Rica, Honduras, Guatemala, Panama and Nicaragua. AMICE-8 stated that he talked to AMBUD-1 concerning his trip. AMBUD-1 was very pleased and enthusiastic about the results. AMBUD-1 was reported to have said that all of the above countries offered the PBRUMEN lexiles areas in their respective countries where they could train for action against Castro. Moreover, AMDUD-1 was alleged to have stated that Costa Rica and Nicaragua said they would declare war on Cuba if they could be sure the United States would back them.

2. On a somewhat different tack, AMBUD-1 was supposed to have been talking to a Panamanian official while both were observing four small craft attempting to maneuver a large U.S. ship toward the canal locks. The Panamanian allegedly questioned AMBUD-1 as to why the U.S. didn*t do something about Castro. AMBUD-1 reportedly answered, in effect, "Do you see those four boats trying to move that ship in the direction they want it to go?"

> "Yes." "That is what we have to do to the U.S."

> > PM Case Officer

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