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*MDC Group*

1. ON 15 FEBRUARY AMPALM-1 REPORTED FOLLOWING RE [redacted]:  
 A. FIVE MAN DIRECTORATE ACTUALLY COORDINATING BODY WHICH MEETS AT  
 LEAST ONCE A WEEK WITH EACH MEMBER HEADING AN ACTIVITY WHICH OPERATES ALMOST  
 AUTONOMOUSLY. EACH MEMBER, WITHING OF OTHERS CAPABILITY AND OPERATIONS BUT  
 NOT COMPLETELY KNOWLEDGEABLE OF EACH OTHERS ASSETS. BREAKDOWN OF [redacted] *MDC Group*  
 ACTIVITIES BY DIVISION OR ACTIVITY FOLLOWS:

B. MOVIMIENTO RECUPERACION REVOLUCIONARIO (MRR), HEADED BY ANGEL  
 FERNANDEZ VARELA, SUB-DIRECTOR HAVA DAILY (PORTION GARBLED-EEIKS SERVICED) INFORMA-  
 TION: PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT ANGEL YERGO. SUBORDINATE MEMBERS MRR (PORTION GARBLED)  
 MANUEL ARTIME, RICARDO DE LA LORIE, ANTONIO MICHEL *ALSO RECD AB*  
 FERNANDEZ CONNECTION WITH LORIE OR YAVOR, NOR OF FACT HIS INSTRUCTIONS ACTUALLY  
 STEM FROM FERNANDEZ OR ESISTENCE OF FIVE MAN *MDC Group* ARTIME THINKS HIS  
 INSTRUCTIONS FROM HAVA COME FROM AGRUPACION CATHOLICA UNIVERSITARIA (ACU (ALSO  
 RECEIVED ACK) SINCE THEY ACTIVE IN PREPARING EXFILTRATION AND MUCH OF ASSISTANCE  
 GIVEN ARTIME HERE DONE IN NAME OF ACU BY *MDC Group* ARTIME RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS  
 FROM FERNANDEZ THROUGH *OSCAR ECHEVARRA y SAINT* PRIOR TO EXFILTRATION TO TALK BIG AND ATTEMPT  
 FORM COALITION OF ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS MAKING SURE HE MANEUVERED HIMSELF INTO

SECRET

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LEADING ROL. <sup>F. MDC</sup> FEEL ARTIME HAS TREMENDOUS LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL AND GOOD ORGANIZER. ENVISION HIM AS CHIEF CUBAN ARMED FORCES ONCE CASTRO OUSTED. OTHER MRR LEADERS WHO PRESENTLY IN CURA AND SUBORDINATE FERNANDEZ ARE MARTINEZ VESE (ALSO RECEIVED VENEGAS), RIVAS VAZQUEZ, AND GONZALES CORZO (ALSO RECEIVED TOROB). FERNANDEZ HAS 150 MEN READY TO TRAVEL MEXICO OR GUAT IN RESPONSE ARTIME REQUEST. (PORTION GARBLED) 150 SHOULD STAY IN PLACE HERE AND PROVIDE NUCLEUS ARMED INTERNAL RESISTANCE GROUP.

C. MOVIMIENTO DEMOCRATA CRISTIANO. REPRESENTED ON <sup>MDC</sup> DIRECTORATE BY <sup>Lawrence BATISTA Falla</sup> SON OF ONE OF FOUNDERS, WHO <sup>was MDC</sup> LINK WITH MDC PRESIDENT JOSE IGNACIO RASCO. <sup>Echevarra</sup>

D. PROPAGANDA. HEADED BY <sup>Jose Juan's RODRIGUEZ Lombillo</sup> AND ASSISTED BY <sup>MANUEL SALVAT FERNANDEZ PLANAS AND ANTONION GARCIA</sup>

E. RESISTANCE: ROBERTO ORTIZ CRABO WHO MEMBER FIVE MAN DIRECTORATE AND ASSISTED BY DAMASO OLIVA. LITTLE KNOWN ABOUT THIS ACTIVITY OTHER THAN CRABO HAS NET OF INFORMERS THROUGHOUT CUBA.

F. FINANCE: MELCHOR GASTON, <sup>MDC</sup> DIRECTORATE MEMBER WHO TOGETHER WITH <sup>Echevarra</sup> WROTE PAMPHLET FOR ACU IN 1957 CALLING FOR AGRARIAN REFORM.

2. PRIOR RECEIPT OF REF B <sup>Echevarra</sup> RECOMMENDED THAT JOSE IGNACIO RASCO OF MDC AND ANGEL FERNANDEZ VARELLA OF MRR ACCOMPANY HIM IN ANY MEETING WHICH MIGHT BE ARRANGED PBPRIE.

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3. ADVISE CONTACT INSTRUCTIONS.

4. ADDITIONAL INFO REQUESTED PARA 1 REF. B WILL BE SOUGHT THRU

*ECHEVARRA*

BUT IMAGINE DETAILS WILL HAVE TO AWAIT HQS TALKS WITH FERNANDEZ.

FILED: 161720Z.

END OF MESSAGE

CS COMMENT: \* REQUESTED ALL INFO HQS GROUP MILITANTS HQS PREPARED RECEIVE AND DELEGATES.

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