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 COUNTRY. CUBA
 SUBJECT. SPECIAL CUBAN ALERT MEASURES RESULTING FROM
 ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

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SOURCE. CUBAN OFFICIAL WHO REPORTS REGULARLY AND IS FULLY TESTED. HE HAS DEMONSTRATED MATURITY, JUDGMENT, DISCERNMENT AND ACCURACY IN HIS PAST REPORTING.

1. CIRCA 2 DAYS AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, CUBAN DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS ABROAD BEGAN TO RECEIVE A SERIES OF MESSAGES PLACING THEM ON A SPECIAL ALERT STATUS. THESE MESSAGES WERE OBVIOUSLY DUE TO APPREHENSION BY THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY MIGHT LEAD TO HOSTILE ACTIVITY DIRECTED AGAINST THE MISSIONS. THE DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WERE EXHORTED TO EXERCISE EXTREME VIGILANCE, TO MOUNT A NIGHT AND DAY WATCH OF MISSION PREMISES, TO BE CERTAIN THAT THERE WERE "NO COMPROMISING DOCUMENTS ON THE PREMISES," AND TO BE ON GUARD AGAINST HOSTILE

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2. ONE CHIEF OF MISSION, WHO, FOLLOWING HIS USUAL PRACTICE, REQUESTED BY TELEPHONE PERMISSION TO ACCEPT A LONG-STANDING INVITATION TO VISIT A COUNTRY FRIENDLY TO CUBA, WAS TOLD THAT HE MUST FORMALLY SUBMIT HIS REQUEST BY CABLE. HE DID SO ON 29 NOVEMBER, BUT IT WAS NOT UNTIL 6 DECEMBER THAT HE RECEIVED THE AUTHORITY TO QUIT HIS POST.

3. AS OF 9 DECEMBER THERE HAD BEEN NO INDICATION FROM HAVANA THAT THE ALERT ORDER WAS TO BE CONSIDERED REVOKED.

4. FIELD DISSEM. NONE.

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