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The 5/14/62 issue of "Revolucion", Cuban govt.-controlled newspaper, reported the SV 28, a Cuban naval patrol boat, while on patrol duty off north coast of Cuba (off the northeast coast of Santa Cruz del Norte, within territorial waters of Cuba) was cowardly attacked at 11:30 P.M., 5/13/62 and attack resulted in death of 3 crew members. Five crew members were wounded.

Article described attack as another demonstration of criminal and cowardly acts made by workers of CIA and the U.S. Govt.

On 5/16/62 MM-492-S, Cuban exile residing Miami area, who is familiar with both pro- and anti-Castro activities, and who has furnished reliable info in past, advised that JUSTO CARRILLO HERNANDEZ, General Coordinator of Agrupacion Montecristi, an anti-Castro organization, on evening of 5/15/62 personally visited office of United Press International, Miami, accompanied by several of his members. CARRILLO stated his group, "Montecristi", was responsible for attack on the Cuban navy patrol boat 5/13/62 off coast of Cuba. Stated it was not act of piracy, but act by patriotic Cubans to help rid Cuba of CASTRO and communism. Admitted two of his group were wounded, but names withheld.

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MM-492-S advised that on morning of 5/16/62 Cuban govt.-controlled radio station "Progreso", Havana, accused the U.S., President JOHN F. KENNEDY, and CIA of the outward attack on the Cuban naval patrol boat and referred to admittance of the act by CARRILLO. Broadcast said Cuban Govt. has proof now that CARRILLO acted in service of CIA and the "Yankee Imperialists" (U.S.) and that the boat was located on the coast of Fla.

MM-492-S advised on 5/15/62 that RAUL CASTRO, Minister of Defense of the Socialist Revolutionary Govt. of Cuba, spoke on Cuban nation-wide radio broadcast from Cemetery of Havana during evening 5/14/62 at funeral services for those killed aboard the patrol boat on 5/13/62. He denounced the U.S. and CIA for having provoked the incident which resulted in death of 3 Cubans and wounding of 5, all members of the Cuban Navy.

On 5/15/62, [redacted] CIA, Covert, Miami, confidentially advised this office that the attack on the Cuban Naval patrol boat was made by a boat in which CIA has operational interest. Stated the boat involved in the incident was due to return to Fla. on 5/16/62. [redacted] did not possess specific details concerning this matter. ~~SECRET~~

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