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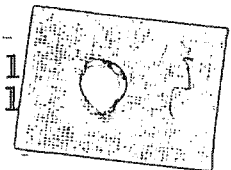
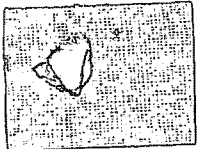
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Attention: Deputy Director, Plans *mwb*

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: CUBAN SITUATION
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A reporter for the "New York Journal-American,"
on May 8, 1961, furnished the following information:

The reporter stated he had recently been in
Miami, Florida, covering the Cuban invasion and had spoken to
many Cuban exiles and personal sources. As a result, he
came to the conclusion that the invasion had been badly
handled by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) from every
aspect. He stated that some of the exiles were of the opinion
that the invasion was doomed to failure by design on the
part of CIA and they are holding CIA responsible. *(u)*

The reporter stated he was able to ascertain from
his sources the names of the CIA personnel allegedly responsible
for the invasion. He furnished these names as Bernard Barker,
David Morales, one *Sone* *Sone* *Sone*
Avignon and a colonel, who had been assigned as AIR Attache
at the United States Embassy in the Dominican Republic. In
addition, he stated he had heard that one Frank Bender of
CIA was also among those responsible. *(u)*

The above-mentioned reporter identified two of his
sources of the foregoing information as former Colonel Mariano
Faget and Enrique Parajon, who were formerly connected with the
Bureau for the Repression of Communist Activities (BRAC) in
Cuba. BRAC was an active organization in Cuba during the
Batista regime. Reportedly, the reporter checked the above-
mentioned CIA employees with Faget who apparently maintained a
file on the subject. Faget allegedly verified the information
the reporter had received concerning the part played by these
individuals in the invasion. *(u)*

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