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Sam Gold /

Dr. Edward Gunn

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

September 25, 1961

Castro

Juan Orta

Dr. Raymond Treichler.

Comelius Roosevelt

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SOURCE: CIA Justice File R-153 Memorandum by Howard J. Osborn to Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, Subj: Robert A. Maheu dated June 24, 1966.

STAFF:

July 1, 1975 DATE:

Rhea

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Oct. 6, 1960

Special Group MONGOOSE Presidential Authorization

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OCCURRENCE: (cont.)

including some in this group and that we would talk informally to about it. He emphasized that he was asking for no Special Group approval at this time in this specific connection."



SOURCE:

Minutes of Special Group meeting October 6, 1960 Cage

FILE:

STAFF:

DATE: Bob Kelley
June 29, 1975

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PERSONS	/ENTI	TIES:

Peter Grace

DATES:

Dec. 5, 1960

CATEGORIES:

Mongoose Special Group

OCCURRENCE:

The Special Group discussed (1) the possibility of providing sixty

chousandadon wars from the Cuba budgets

(2) a proposal to survey the possibility of establishing a strike base in Nicaragua; (3) the necessity for the Defense Department to supply 38 military men to CIA. "Mr. Douglas questioned whether the present concept of 600 or 700 Cubans is any longer practicable. He said that it had been his understanding that the current thinking contemplated figures more on the order of 3,000." Mr. Barnes replied that the CIA believes what is required is enough individuals to serve as a rallying point for the anti-Castro elements in Cuba and thus 600 is as useful as 3,000. The CIA justified the request for 38 military men because it now believed it was necessary to train the Cubans in infantry tactics involved in a defense, in addition to the guerrilla warfare training previously contemplated.

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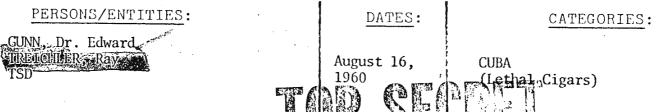
Special Group meeting minutes Dec. 5, 1960

STAFF: Bob Kelley

FILE:

DATE: June 29, 1975

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#### OCCURRENCE:

DR. EDWARD GUNN, Chief, Operations Division, Office of Medical Services, has a notation that on 16 August 1960, he received a box of Cuban cigars to be treated with a lethal material. (21). He understood them to be CASTRO's favorite brand. (21). GUNN's notes show that within the next month he contacted Ray treichler, of TSD, (Sept. 6, 1960) and gave him the box of cigars (21).

recalls "that he did contaminate a full box of 50 cigars with Botulinum Toxin, a virulent poison," (21) which would kill the intended victim upon merely putting it in the mouth. Therefore notes showed delivery of the box on February 13, 1961, although they do not indicate to whom. (22).

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

(See the 13 names listed below)

DATES: FEB. 1961

(APPROXIMATE)

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CATEGORIES: TOP SECRET

-CUBA - PHASE I

The I.G. REPORT identified the following persons who knew, in late 1960 or early 1961, of the PHASE I plan to assassinate CASTRO:

ALLEN DULLES, DCI

GEN. C. P. CABELL, DDCI

RICHARD BISSELL, DD/P

SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, D/Security

JAMES O'CONNELL, Office of Security, the case officer

6. J. D. ESTERLINE, Chief, WH/4

CORNELIUS ROOSEVELT, Chief, TSD

TRAY TRETCHUER Chemical Division, TSD 9. EDWARD GUNN, Chief, Operations Division, Medical Services

10. WILLIAM HARVEY, Chief, FI/D

11. SIDNEY GOTTLIEB, Special Assistant to the DD/P (GOTTLIEB's name was encountered repeatedly in this inquiry, but he denies knowing of the operation in 1960-61.)

12. ROBERT BANNERMAN, DD/Security

13. J. C. KING, Chief, WH Division (He too denies knowing of the operation at the time.)

I.G. REPORT 1967, pp. 34-35

STAFF: Baron

DATE: 28.6.75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

Sam Gold

Dr. Edward Gunn

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

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September 25, 1961

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Rhea

DATE: July 1, 1975

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

SANCHEZ J Samuel HALPERN

AMLASH

Dr. Edward GUNN

DATES:

Nov. 20, 1963

**CATEGORIES:** 

Castro

#### OCCURRENCE:

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IG REPORT 1967

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STAFF:

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DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Helms Harvey, Wm. Gunn, Dr. Edward 5/25/67

CASTRO

Gunn, Dr. Edward

The memorandum of April 25, 1967 which introduces the IG's Report on assassination plotting in relation to FIDEL CASTRO indicates that the only written records which served as a basis for the IG (Office of Medical Services; and, brief records of TSD). Some operational files were also used.

For the most part, the Inspector General's office relied upon information given to us orally by people who's memories are fogged by time. (1)

"We interviewed everyone whom we could identify as likely to be knowledgeable, with the exceptions of MR. DULLES and GENERAL CABELL." (2)

A complete list of the interviewees is attached to the IG Report at Tab A. "If there are significant innaccuracies in the Report they are most likely to occur in faulty ordering of the sequence of events." (2).

SOURCE:

16 Report 1967

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Baron

FILE:

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Harvey Bissell

Kennedy, Robert
HALPERN

Dateber,

Castro

### OCCURRENCE:

Halpern testified that in the fall of 1961 he attended a meeting with Bissell and was the Branch Chief (8). The meeting occurred in the middle of Octo of 1961. Bissell stated at the meeting that he had recently "been chewed out in the cabinet room of the White House by both the President and the Attorney General form as he put it, sitting on his ass and not doing anything about getting rid of Castro and the Castro regime. His orders to both and to me for to plan an operation to accomplish that end." (8) Halpern testified that no limitations were put on the term "get rid of". Nothing was forbidden (8). The meeting involved only general discussions and not tactics.

SOURCE:

Halpern 6/18/73

STAFF:

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DATE: 7/1/75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:	DATES:	CATEGORIES:
Halpern Gen Lansdale Bissell	Oct 1961	Castro
OCCURRENCE:		

Shortly after with Bissell Hapern, and were introduced to Gen Lansdale who was the new Chief of Operations for an effort to remove in the Castro regime. The initial meeting was concerned with only organizational matters.

SOURCE:

Halpern 6/18/75

STAFF:

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SOURCE:	Halpern 6/18/75	STAFF:	Rhea
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PERSONS/ENTITIES:
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DATES:

CATEGORIES:

FITZGERALD, Desmond

Early 1963

**CASTRO** 

#### OCCURRENCE:

DESMOND FITZGERALD originated a scheme to assassinate CASTRO: "The idea was to taken an unusually spectacular sea shell that would be certain to catch CASTRO's eye, load it with an explosive trigger to blow when the shell was lifted, and submerge it in an area where CASTRO often went skin diving." (77). FITZGERALD explored this idea at several sessions with SAM HALPERN and BRUCE

GELEWER, but it was ultimately dismissed as impractical. (77). DISCOVERY LEADS: Note: There is no indication that FITZGERALD told any-

one above him in the CIA hierarchy of this plan.

SOURCE: IG REPORT, 1967



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FILE:

DATE: 6/29/75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

SANCHEZ

Samuel HALPERN

AMLASH

Dr. Edward GUNN

DATES:

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CATEGORIES:

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SOURCE:

FILE:

IG REPORT 1963

STAFF:

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#### PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HARVEY EDWARDS

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

May 23, 1967

**CASTRO** 

#### OCCURRENCE:

IG REPORT

BISSELL HALPERN V

KING, J. C.

The following sources of information were used in preparing the IG REPORT of 1967: (1) Files: Furnished for review by the Director of Security, the Deputy Director for Support, the General Counsel, the Legislative Counsel, the Chief of WH\_Division, and by Col. J. C. KING, former Chief of WH Division. Also, the Director of Central Reference furnished biographic files and intelligence publications. (2) Interviews: Desmond Fitzgerald, Sam Halpern, Bruce Cheever, J. C. King, Alfonso Rodriguez, J. D. Esterline, Edward Gunn, Howard Osborn, James O'Connell, Sidney Gottlieb, Sheffield Edwards, Richard Bissell, Lawrence Houston, Ray Breichler, John Warner Neston Sanchez, William Harvey, Cornelius Roosevelt, Richard Ober. Robert Bannerman

SOURCE:

IG REPORT, 19

STAFF: Baron

DATE: 7/2/75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

SPECIAL GROUP AUGMENTED, MONGOOSE, LANSDALE, TAYLOR, JOHNSON, GIL-PATRICK, MCCONE, RFK, LEMNITZER

Harris

FILE:

DATES:

June 27, 1962

7/1/620

6/21-23/62

CATEGORIES:

Special Group Augmented

<del>196</del>2 MONGOOSE

OCCURRENCE: One infiltration team introduced into Oriente Province on June 4 and 5, 1962 reported that Cuban security measures made operations in that area difficult. Raul Castro on June 25 reported that the four had been captured and two had been executed, but to this date the report is not accepted as fact. June 21-22, 1962 a Marine operation to emplace a cache of arms and demolitions was accomplished without incident. The defector, Roles has begun to provide names of other Cuban G-2 personnel abroad. Effective July 1, 1962 Brig. Gen. B.T. Harris, U.S. Almy will replace Brig. Gen. Craig as DOD operations representative.

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Memorandum for the Special Group Augmented from Lansdale re: Operation MONGOOSE, June 27, 1962 (00399-00400)

STAFF:

di Genova

DATE:

July 1, 1975

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

SPECIAL GROUP AUGMENTED, MONGOOSE, LANSDALE, TAYLOR, JOHNSON, GIL-PATRICK, MCCONE, RFK, LEMNITZER

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STAFF:

CATEGORIES:

Special Group Augmented

di Genova

DATE:

July 1, 1975

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

MARVEY, William

QJW IN

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

EXECUTIVE ACTION

#### OCCURRENCE:

MARVEY testified that QJ.Win was an agent that he considered for possible use and used for a limited period through (ARNOID) SIEVER for the spotting of individuals with criminal and underworld connections in Europe for possible multipurpose use, none of whom were ever advised of the use. (50) Or were ever used.

\_When\_HARVEY was asked if the multipurpose use included assassination, he stated that if he had ever been directly ordered to perform an assassination, he would have considered the neople spotted by &.J.Win as possibilities. (50) He testified that before someone would have actually been approached to carry out that operation, there would have been a long period of assessment and cross checks. As far as he knew, the particular spotting mechanism never went that far. So far as HARVEY could recall K.J. Win was used only once in connection with an operation in the Congo, which was not an assassination operation. (51)

SOURCE:

HARVEY TESTIMON

STAFF: Rhea

FILE:

DATE: 30.6.75

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

Helms, Richard Harvey, Mr. DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Castro

OCCURRENCE: Helms testified that he does not recall whether he selected Harvey to head the Cuban operation, but that he did certainly approve Harvey's selection. Prior to receiving the commitment Harvey had been in charge of a staff in the foreign intelligence staff whose function was to mount operations against

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SOURCE:

Helms 6/13/75

STAFF:

6/28/75

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PERSONS/ENTITIES: HARVEY, William

DATES:

CATEGORIES

OCCURRENCE:

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HARVEY testified that during World War II he worked on counterespionage matters with the FBI, having entered the Bureau as a Special Agent in 1940. He continued in that job until 1947, when he joined the CIA as the head of the Soviet Intelligence Branch. Between 1947 and 1952, he worked on Soviet counterespionage and special operations in the Department of Plans. Between—1952—and 1959, he was in for the CIA. He was instrumental in the Berlin tunnel operation. In 1959, he became Chief of the Foreign Intelligence Staff Division, D. This is the Division which is responsible for communications in the Division of Staff Division of Staff Divisions.

SOURCE: HARVEY TESTIMONY, June 25, 1975, pp. 5-9

STAFF: Rhea

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

MARVEY, William O DONNELL; Justing RISSELL. Richard

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

LUMUMBA

OCCURRENCE:

HARVEY testified that he worked with a man called JUSTIN DONNELL in Start ... the that O DONNELL came to him and said that he had been approached by RICHARD BISSELL, who was then the Deputy Director of Plans (DD/P) to undertake an operation in the Congo, one of the objectives of which was the elimination of PATRICE LUMUMBA. HARVEY testified that O DONNELL told him that he had declined to undertake this assignment.

HARVEY testified that he subsequently had a conversation with BISSELL, in which BISSELL stated that he had requested O'DONNELL to undertake such an operation. (9-10)

HARVEY testified that he did not know about any steps undertaken on behalf of the Agency in connection with any proposals to eliminate LUMUMBA. (10)

SOURCE:

HARVEY TESTIMONY, June 25, 1975 (pp. 9-10)

STAFF: Rhea

FILE:

DATE:

30,6,75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HARVEY, WILLIAM KUBARK

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

EXECUTIVE ACTION

Jan. 26,1961

OCCURRENCE: Harvey was asked about notes written by him and server from their meeting in January of 1961, concerning Executive Action. One portion of the notes stated, "Be within KUBARK, one focal point for control, search, training, case officering, etc. -- GDP authority in this focal point mandatory. DCI officially advised?" (57) Harvey testified that he did not know whether the DCI was advised. that he had been asked to create a capability for Executive Action and had taken certain steps to have an assessment of assets in that connection. (57) Harvey clarified that the wording of the memo probably meant that consideration should be given to the question of how, whether and under what circumstances the DCI should be officially advised of his program, "I want to make it clear that this in no way means he should be advised. He should not be advised, he should never be advised, he should always be advised." (59). He testified that this matter would have been brought up again at any time the the land time Action Project led to specific targeting or specific operation or specific the men of the prost (59) SOURCE: HARVEY TESTIMONY, June 2, 100, STAFF: Rhea

FILE:

DATE: 6/30/75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HARVEY

DATES:

Jan 26, 1961

CATEGORIES:

EXECUTIVE ACTION

ZR Rifle

OCCURRENCE:

"Harvey's hadwritten notes entitled Project Zrriffle (exhibit 1) state "Objectives". The objectives of this project is the procurement of

Since these requirements are subject to frequent revision, no listing of targets would be valid for the duration of the project. Specific operations will be mounted on the basis of need and

opportunity. The Project will be conducted by division by with assistance from area

divisions and stations as needed." (exhibit 1)

Harvey testified that his notes didnot cite assassination or assassination capability as an objective of project Zrriffle. However, assassination was a contemplated purpose of the project. If an agent had been recruited for assassination he would have been recruited under the cover  $(49)^{\circ}$ 

SOURCE:

Harvey 6/25/75

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DATE:

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HARVEY

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Jan 26, 1961

EXECUTIVE ACTION

I POTT ZRRIFLE

#### OCCURRENCE:

The notes in Harvey's handwriting entitled Project Zrriffle state "3. Background: In response to the increasing requirements for the operational procurement of

developmental activity. During the same period requirements from NSA became more refined and in many respects more sentative because most agencies are not equipped to conduct this type of operation, and because of the desirability to completely centralize control over this entire effort, it was determined that division d which was the closest touch with NSA on procurement requirements, could best conduct the activity. The spotting activity has now advanced far enough to justify removing from the OOA category. (exhibit 1, page 1 - 2)

SOURCE:

STAFF:

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Harvey 6/25/75

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

MARVEY, William V SIEVER, Arnold BISSELL, Richard

26 Jan. 1961

EXECUTIVE ACTION

#### OCCURRENCE:

HARVEY testified that he had a conversation with ARNOLD SIEVER about the EXECUTIVE ACTION project on January 26, 1961, after HARVEY and BISSELL had already discussed the matter. (52) HARVEY testified that he learned early in the operation that BISSELL had discussed the question of assassination with ARNOLD SIEVER (52)

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SOURCE: HARVEY TESTIMONY, June 25, 1975, p. 52

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

Silver, Armold Harvey, William Bissell, Richard DATES:

1/26/61

<u>CATEGORIES</u>:

EXECUTIVE ACTION

OCCURRENCE: Harvey testified that he had a conversation with Amold Silver about the Executive Action Project on January 26, 1961, after Harvey and Bissell had already discussed the matter (52). Harvey testified that he learned early in the operation that Bissell had discussed the question of assassination with Amold Silver (52)

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SOURCE:

HARVEY TESTIMONY, June 25, 1975, p. 52

STAFF:

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HARVEY K. G. WIN

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

EXECUTIVE ACTION

Jan.26, 1961

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### OCCURRENCE:

Harvey's handwritten notes eneitled Project Zrriffle state "4. Operational Assets:

(1) personnel: K.G. Win is under written contact as a principal agent, with the primary task of spotting agent candidates. K.G. Win was first contacted in 1958 to the Chief of the Luxembourg's by the chief of station, Luxembourg, in connection with illegal narcotics operation into the United States.—For aperiod of a year and a half he\_was\_contacted sparcatically by COS, Luxembourg, in behalf of the Bureau of Narcotics. Files of this Bureau reflect an excellent performance by K. G. Win. In October 1960:

K. G. Win annual salary \$7,200

Hire of safe houses and other agents and agent candidates \$2,000

Total \$14,700

Fees for services by and standby of agents and agent candidates \$2,000

Travelogic employees engaged in Zrriffle \$2,000

(Harvey Exhibit 1, pages 1 - 3)

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Harvey 6/27/75

STAFF:

DATE: Rhea

6/30/75

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

BISSELL, Richard O'DONNELL, Justing BRECKENRIDGE, S.

HELMS, Richard QJWIN
LUMUMBA, Patrice
OCCURRENCE:

FEB May 1961 EXECUTIVE ACTION/ZRRIFLE

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The EXECUTIVE ACTION program authorized by BISSELL and run by WILLIAM HARVEY "came to be known as ZRRIFLE. Its principal asset was an agent, QJWIN, who had been recruited earlier by ARNOLDS STEWER for use in a special operation in the Congo (the assassination of PATRICE LUMUMBA) to be run by JUSTIN O'DONNELL made a survey of the scene, decided he wanted no part in that assassination attempt, and asked to be released — which BISSELL granted.)" (38)

NOTE: In the copy of the I.G. REPORT provided to the Committee, which was, according to EARMAN's cover memorandum the ribbon copy, which was the only text of the report in existence, the phrase in the above paragraph "(the assassination of PATRICE LUMUMBA)" was crossed out. S. BRECKENRIDGE indicated to the Committee that this phrase was crossed out by RICHARD HEIMS when he read the report. Why?

SOURCE: I.G. REPORT 1967, p. 38

STAFF: Baron

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:	DATES:	CATEGORIES:
BRECKINRIDGE, SCOTT	2/61	CASTRO
HARVEY, WILLIAM		EXECUTIVE ACTION/ZRRIFLE
OCCURRENCE: Breckinridge testified ZRRIFLE, the "controlling character" than to develop the capability for as Breckeinridge testified that or ZRRIFLE, the Project was only directed to developing the capability to assaurance. (81)	(80) of the Projessassination.(80) of the face of the	rather  ect was to rather  e documents relating to Project  The fact that it related
narvey. (61)		Marie Marie Carrier Commission Co

SOURCE: BRECKINRIDGE testimony, 6/2/75

STAFF: WALLACH

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DATE:

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

BISSELL, Richard HARVEY

GOTILIEB, Sidney

February 1961 (HARVEY's rough estimate)

CATEGORIES:

TÜP -SİMİRİT

EXECUTIVE ACTION, CASTRO

LUNGO CONGO

STLVER, Arnold

WHITE HOUSE

OCCURRENCE:

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BISSELL assigns to HARVEY / developing of "an EXECUTIVE ACTION capability; a general stand-by capability to carry out assassinations when required."

i.e.,

"HARVEY's notes quote BISSELL as saying, 'The WHITE HOUSE has twice urged me to create such a capability.' BISSELL recalls discussing the question of developing a general capability with HARVEY." (37)

DATES:

"HARVEY says that BISSELL had already discussed certain aspects of the problem with ARNOLD SIEVER and with SIDNEY GOTTLIEB." (37-38).

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I.G. REPORT 1967, pp. 37-38 SOURCE:

STAFF: Baron

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HELMS, Richard

CARD 2 of 2 DATES:

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CATEGORIES: TOP SECRET

OCCURRENCE: (continued from card 1)

HARVEY used STEVER in developing the EXECUTIVE ACTION capability (38).

Sometime shortly after this initial meeting, and while HARVEY was still discussing the development of EXECUTIVE ACTION with BISSELL, "he briefed Mr. HELMS fully on the general concept but without mention of the then on-going plan to assassinate CASTRO." (38)

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SOURCE: I.G. REPORT 1967, pp. 37-38

STAFF: Baron

DATE: 28.6.75

PERSONS/ENTITIES:

(See the 13 names listed below)

DATES: FEB. 1961

CATEGORIES: TOP SECRET

(APPROXIMATE)

The I.G. REPORT identified the following persons who knew, in late 1960 or early 1961, of the PHASE I plan to assassinate CASTRO:

- ALLEN DULLES, DCI
- GEN. C. P. CABELL, DDCI
- RICHARD BISSELL, DD/P
- SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, D/Security
- JAMES O'CONNELL, Office of Security, the case officer
- 6. J. D. ESTERLINE, Chief, WH/4
- CORNELIUS ROOSEVELT, Chief, TSD
- TRAY TREICHLER, Chemical Division, TSD
- "EDWARD GUNN, Chief, Operations Division, Medical Services

10. WILLIAM HARVEY, Chief, FI/D

- 11. SIDNEY GOTTLIEB, Special Assistant to the DD/P (GOITLIEB's name was encountered repeatedly in this inquiry, but he denies knowing of the operation in 1960-61.)
- 12. ROBERT BANNERMAN, DD/Security
- 13. J. C. KING, Chief, WH Division (He too denies knowing of the operation at the time.)

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

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OPERATION differs from those who knew of PHASE I. Those with knowledge of PHASE II are:

1. RICHARD HELMS, DD/P

WILLIAM HARVEY, Chief, Task Force W

3. JAMES O'CONNELL, Office of Security
(He knows that Harvey took over the operation and delivered pills, arms, and equipment in April 1962. He does not know of developments after May 1962.)

4. SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, D/Security (He knows of the fact of the turnover to HARVEY, but states he knows nothing of developments thereafter.)

5. J. C. KING, Chief, WH Division (He stated in our interview with him that he knew that HARVEY was having meetings with members of the gambling syndicate in 1962.)

6. BRUCE CHEVER HARVEY's deputy in 1962
(CHELVER Knows that HARVEY was meeting with gansters in Reno (sic) in the winter of 1962.)
7. TED SHACKLEY, Chief, JMWAVE (He assisted HARVEY in the delivery of arms and equipment to VARONA in April 1962, but presumably did not know the identities of the recipients nor (con't.)

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SHACKLEY, cont: the purpose for which the material was to be used.)

8. RAY TREISCHIER, TSD (TREISCHIER's participation was limited to furnishing the pills to 0'CONNELL on 18 April 1962.)

9. ANTONIO VARONA, the Cuban exile leader (He presumably was not aware of government sponsorship.)

10. VARONA'S SON-IN-LAW (He too was presumably not aware of government's role.)

11. MACEO, ROSELLI's "Man" (MACEO probably knew there was a government connection, but may not have identified CIA as the agency.)



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Harvey Kennedy, Robert Bissell HALPERN	1961 October,	Castro	
OCCURRENCE:			
Halpern testified that in the fall of 1961 he attended a meeting with Bissell and was the Branch Chief (8). The meeting occured in the middle of Octo of 1961. Bissell stated at the meeting that he had recently "been chewed out in the cabinet room of the White House by both the President and the Attorney General form as he put it, sitting on his ass and not doing anything about cetting rid of Castro and the Castro regime. His orders to both and to me for to plan an operation to accomplish that end." (3)			
Halpern testified that no limitations were put on the term "get rid of".  Nothing was forbidden (8). The meeting involved only general discussions			
and not tactics.			
SOURCE: Halpern 6/1		STAFF: Rhea	

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no longer part of the VIII Division	(14).	would be a separate activity and

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:
MARVEY, LANSDALE
Polig, Polio

<u>DATES:</u>
June 19, 1962

<u>CATEGORIES</u> MONGOOSE

OCCURRENCE: It was agreed that Harvey was to work towards reaching a stage in the interrogation of Pedro Roig, the Cuban economic official who defected to Mexico, where he can be surfaced to make public charges of Cuban Communist operations against Latin American nations. Harvey was to generate a story from Cuban refugee sources that the original Cardenas incident consisted of a demonstration concerning the shortage of food. This was to cause ridicule of the Communist regime's use of MIGs, tanks and troops against the unarmed people of Cardenas. "The-Cuban-source to story-need not-await-your-determination of the true cause of the Cardenas demonstration."

SOURCE:

Memorandum for William Harvey, CIA, from Lans-

dale, re: Impact Actions, 19 June 1962 (00395)

FILE:

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DATE: di Genova July 1, 1975

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PERSONS/ENTITIES: MCCONE, HARVEY,

DATES:

July 10, 1962 June, 11, 1962 May 1962

CATEGORIES:

MONGOOSE

SOURCE:

Memorandum for McCone from William Harvey re:

Juana Castero Ruz, 10 July 1962 (02561)

FILE:

STAFF:

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CATEGORIES: DATES: PERSONS/ENTITIES: KIRKPATRICK 11 114/62 DDP William Harvey Special Group Augmented Nov. 21, 1962 Mr. Halpern Gen. Lansdale Operation Mongoose Walter Elder MEEVER Cuba DCI

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:
William Harvey DDP
Gen. Lansdale Mr. Halpern Nov. 21, 1962
Walter Elder CHEEVER
DCI

DATES:
CATEGORIES:
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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

HARVEY, William ✓ Chief, FI Staff, CIA QJWIN

DATES:

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27 June 1963

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OCCURRENCE:

HARVEY writes a memorandum to the Chief, FI Staff, "stating that the original justification for employing QJWIN no longer existed." (41)

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I.G. REPORT 1967, p. 41

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KING, J. C. HARVEY V FG REPORT EDWARDS BISSELL HALPERN

May 23, 1967

**CASTRO** 

## OCCURRENCE:

The following sources of information were used in preparing the IG REPORT of 1967: (1) Files: Furnished for review by the Director of Security, the Deputy Director for Support, the General Counsel, the Legislative Counsel, the Chief of WH Division, and by Col. J. C. KING, former Chief of WH Division. Also, the Director of Central Reference furnished biographic files and intelligence publications. (2) Interviews: Desmond Fitzgerald, Sam Halpern, Bruce Chever, J. C. King, Alfonso Rodriguez, J. D. Esterline, Edward Gunn, Howard Osborn, James O'Connell, Sidney Gottlieb, Sheffield Edwards, Richard Bissell, Lawrence Houston, Ray Breichler, John Warner, Neston Sanchez, William Harvey, Cornelius Roosevelt, Robert Bannerman, Henry Bortner, Richard Ober.

SOURCE:

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DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Helms Harvey, Wm Gunn, Dr. Edward

5/25/67

CASTRO

The memorandum of April 25, 1967 which introduces the IG's Report on assassination plotting in relation to FIDEL CASTRO indicates OCCURRENCE: that the only written records which served as a basis for the IG Report were: Notes of William Harvey; Records of Dr. Edward Gunn (Office of Medical Services; and, brief records of Ray Treichler (of TSD). Some operational files were also used.

For the most part, the Inspector General's office relied upon information given to us orally by people who's memories are fogged by time.

"We interviewed everyone whom we could identify as likely to be knowledgeable, with the exceptions of MR. DULLES and GENERAL CABELL." (2)

A complete list of the interviewees is attached to the IG Report at Tab A. "If there are significant innaccuracies in the Report they are most likely to occur in faulty ordering of the sequence of events." (2).

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

<u>DATES</u>:

CATEGORIES:

Edwards King

Bannerman

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Castro

OCCURRENCE:

O'Connell testified that when EDWARDS was on leave, once, KING spoke to Robert BANNERMAN (Who was not witting of Castro project) and O'Connell had to tell BANNERMAN that B. was not "privy" to project. O'Connell was embarassed. (Tr. 36, 99-100). No one but KING, not Gomez or Holeonbe, Kniew (100)

SOURCE:

Testimony of James P. O'Connell, 5/30/75

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STAFF:

John Bayly

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Houston testified that he cannot remember that his legal advice as to not continuing a project was ever rejected by CIA, (47) although Houston recalls vetoing two propositions:

SOURCE:

Testimony of Lawrence Houston, 6/2/75

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John Bayly

DATE:

6/30/75

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

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CATEGORIES:

RUNDA KILPATRICK MCCONE HUGHES 🗸

COL. KING

June 20,1963

DUVALIER

Special group

## OCCURRENCE:

On June 20, 1963the Special Group approved a CIA paper dated June 1970 regarding political action in [Halta] (The substance of the paper is not expressed). "Mr. MCCONE said he has some reservations about the quality of any possible replacements for DUMANTER but agreed that it is necessary to take some action in order to prevent Mantifeventually going very far to the left. Colonel KING... said that in his opinion, we have no feasible alternatives to cooperate with BOSCH in attempting to unseatCDUMALTER

SOURCE:

Minutesof Special Group meeting June 20, 1963

FILE:

STAFF:

DATE:

Kelley

6/28/75

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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

MCCONE FITZGERALD BUNDY OPAPICH

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**JMWAVE** 

STEAKLEY

**RFK JMWAVE** VANCE

HUGHES BOSCH, JOSE

8/19/64 7/30/64 6/10/64

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

SGA MONGOOSE **CASTRO** 

OCCURRENCE: According to the minutes of the 303 Committee on 7/30/64,"It was agreed that MR. FITZGERALD would contact SAM PAPICHof the FBI in regard to the earlier report of an alleged plot with Mafia overtones to assassinate Castro and which the AG agreed to handle as a matter of law enforcement." (116)" The reference is clearly to a 6/10/64 memorandum information report from the DDP to the Director, (116) which was disseminated to the Spec. Asst. to the Pres. for Natl. Security Affrs.; ASst. Sect. for Inter-American Affairs, Dept. of State; Dir. of Intell. and Research, State Dept.; Director, DIA; The AG; the Director, FBI; DDCI and the DCI. The 6/10/74 report'related a proposal for the assassination of Castro that was made to prominent Cuban exiles. The Mafia appeared to be involved in the scheme." The asking frice was \$150,000.- JOSE MARIO PEPIN BOSCH, Prese of Bacanda Rum would contribute \$50,000. BOSCH approached the Chief of Station, JMWAVE, and suggested the U.S. government also contribute. This was rejected. The record indicates CIA's only involvement was to report information of its existence." SOURCE Last record of incident found by IG Rept. is memo from McCone to Bundy, 8/19/64, reporting the results of FBI intrws with the alleged participants. "Obviously nothing came of the plot."(117)

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**FITZGERALD** 

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STEAKLEY

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PERSONS/ENTITIES: KIRKPATRICK

DDP

Mr. Halpern CHEEVER

Nov. 21, 1962

CATEGORIES:

Special Group Augmented Operation Mongoose Cuba

OCCURRENCE:

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