

RETURN TO CIA
Background Use Only
Do Not Reproduce

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

Ray

S-E-C-R-E-T		1	4
		2	5
		3	6
DIR		DEF 12 0134Z 60	
HAVANA 03		PRIORITY	
C/AM 9 (MR [redacted] WH DIV NOTIFIED 2315, 11 SEP)		IN 11109	
DCI, D/DCI, DD/P, COP, ADOP/A, S/C 2			

DESENSITIZED

DIR INFO WASH CITE HAVA 6113

RE: VIET JMCLEAR

RE DIR 48903 (OUT 65842)*

HAVA 6009 (IN 47422)*

MENDOZA CONTACTED OLLEN NIGHT 9 SEPT. REPORTED FOLLOW:

- A. GROUP IN ESCAMBRAY FOR WHOM WEAPONS INTENDED IS LED BY SINESIO GUAS AND COMPOSED APPROX 500 MEN MOST OF WHOM HAVE GARAND RIFLES. GROUP CONTROLS AREA AND WOULD BE MOST DIFFICULT DISLOCGE. FORCES IN ESCAMBRAY COULD BE BUILT UP RAPIDLY TO 2,000 MEN IF ARMS AND ANMO WERE AVAILABLE.
- B. GROUP WILL BE EXPECTING AIR DROP ON 15 SEPT AT 2100 HOURS LOCAL TIME. WILL BE REAL SLOW THEIR MORALE IF DELIVERY NOT MADE AND FURTHER DELAY OCCURS. (STATION RECOMMENDS EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO MEET THIS TARGET DATE.)
- C. GROUP MOST INTERESTED IN RECOILLESS RIFLES. ALSO ANXIOUS RECEIVE SHORT WAVE EQUIPMENT FOR VOICE TRANSMISSION TO CUBAN PEOPLE.
- D. RAY HOPES HAVE READY SIMILAR GROUPS IN NORTH LAS VILLAS (FOR EVENTUAL CUTTING ISLAND IN HALF AS WAS DONE LAST DAYS OF BATISTA REGIME) AND IN ORGANO MOUNTAINS OF FINAR DEL RIO. HE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT CHANCES DEVELOPING ISLAND WIDE ARMED REBELLION WITH MANPOWER AVAILABLE IN SUPPORTED BY ARMS AND SUPPLIES FROM ABROAD.

END OF MESSAGE

S-E-C-R-E-T

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED. Copy No.

1/90

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

SECRET

ROUTING

1	4
2	5
3	6

TO :
 FROM :
 SUBJECT :
 INFO :

PAGE 2

HAVA 6113
IN 11109

INFO

CITE

C/S comment: * Hqs. doing all possible to provide supply capability using Cuban pilots. Would advise firm date as soon as possible.

** Forwarded information on drop zone and weapons requested by Ray's group in Escambray.

SECRET

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED.

Copy No.