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WHYVA CUBA CUBAN DEFECTOR
REF SAWV 5294 (IN 5294)

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CIA OFFICER CUBAN TARGET

1. MEETING [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AT HOTEL SAFESITE LASTED 1015
TO 1440 HOURS 27 SEPTEMBER.

24 [REDACTED] 24 [REDACTED] AWARE OF THIS BY REF MEETINGS.

[REDACTED] 24 CUBAN TARGET CIA
KNOW [REDACTED] IS [REDACTED] TARGET AND, AS HQS

[REDACTED] ARE, HAVE COOPERATED IN PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT HIM AND OTHERS
INVOLVED IN EXPLOITING CUBAN DEFECTOR LEADS. IN ADDITION CUBAN TARGET
24 [REDACTED] 24 [REDACTED] HAS BEEN
CONTINUING TARGET FOR [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] FOR LONG PERIOD AND LIKELY TO
REMAIN SO. HENCE THERE IS HIGH RISK [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] COULD DISCOVER

CIA CONTACT IN FUTURE HANDLING. IN VIEW OF FREE HAND GIVEN
CIA IN THESE OPS BY [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED], SOON DISCOVERY COULD DAMAGE

CIA AND ALL US GOVT RELATIONS. FOR FOREGOING REASONS, ALTHOUGH
CIA OFFICER CIA OFFICER CUBAN TARGET
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] MUCH DESIRE TO MAINTAIN THIS OP UNILATERALLY,

THEY DEEM IT PRUDENT TO INFORM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] REQUESTING THEY
TAKE NO RECORD OF RECRUITMENT AND SIMPLY ACCEPT FUTURE REPORTS AS
COMING FROM TRUSTWORTHY SENSITIVE SOURCE, LEAVING MANAGEMENT TO
CIA

2. IN LONG INTERVIEW CUBAN TARGET GAVE CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF INFO ON
[REDACTED] ACTIVITIES AND HIS RELATIONS WITH OTHER COMMIE PARTIES AND

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HIS INFO SEEMS SUBSTANTIALLY TRUE ALTHOUGH HE HAS WITHHELD OTHER INFO. UNDERSTANDABLY HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT ENTRAPMENT, ^{CIA} COMPLIANCE WITH AGREEMENT TO REMUNERATE HIM, SECURITY LEAK LOCALLY WHICH HE FEARS COULD RESULT HIS DEATH. HE INDICATES WILLINGNESS CONTINUE IN PARTY ACTIVITIES , ATTEND CONFERENCES, STRENGTHEN CONTACTS WITH OTHER COMMIE PARTIES, STRIVE GAIN HIGH PARTY POS'TS, BE ALERT FOR INTEL ON GUERRILLA WARFARE AND ^{CUBAN} ACTIVITIES.

3. INFO FROM ^{CUBAN target} INCLUDES FOLL:

A. HE ARRANGED MOSCOW TRAVEL RECENTLY (SEE SALV 5248) FOR FOUR SALVS, LETTING THEIR PARENT GROUPS MAKE SELECTIONS.

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B. HE BELIEVES PCES CENTRAL COMMITTEE INCLUDES SHAFICK HANDAL, JORGE ARIAS GOMEZ, RAUL CASTELLANOS FIGUEROA ¹⁾ BUT SAYS HANDAL IS ONLY ONE WHOM HE KNOWS ON PCES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. PARTY PSEUDOS FOR SELF, HANDAL AND CASTELLANOS RESPECTIVELY ARE ^{EL} . HOWEVER HANDAL PSEUDO NOW CHANGED TO ANOTHER WHICH COULD NOT RECALL.

D. HE TRAINED BY ^{CUBAN} INTEL; HE HAD GW TRAINING ALSO.

E. PCES HAS ESTIMATED 600 MEMBERS, ALTHOUGH THIS HIS GUESS RATHER THAN HARD INFO. WELL ORGANIZED IN SAN SALV BUT WEAK IN COUNTRY ORGANIZATION DESPITE MANY CAMPESINO MEMBERS.

F. FUAR PRACTICALLY INACTIVE.

G. PCES HAS SUPPORTERS FOR CHICOM LINE AS WELL AS SOV LINE BUT DIFFERENCES HAVE NOT CAUSED SPLIT. LEADERS FAVOR SOV LINE.

H. ROQUE DALTON NOT MEMBER OF POES NOW BUT POES AND STUDENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HIS DISAPPEARANCE. THEY ARE TRYING EXERT PRESSURE ON GOVT THRU ^{GH DEPTIES} ~~SECRETCS~~, WOULD BE WILLING ACCEPT HIS EXPULSION FROM COUNTRY RATHER THAN HAVE HIM LANGUISH IN SOME LOCAL JAIL. GOVT HAS NOT SAID ANYTHING ABOUT DALTON'S ARREST OR LOCATION.

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4. IN LINE PARA 1 REASONING BELIEVE BEST TO INFORM ~~REDACTED~~ MEETING WITH HIM SCHEDULED 0900 HOURS LOCAL TIME 23 SEPTEMBER. REQUEST HAS VIEWS BY 2330 HOURS.

5. NEXT ^{CUBAN TARGET} ~~REDACTED~~ MEETING 1000 HOURS 29 SEPTEMBER. NEXT ^{DALTON} ~~REDACTED~~ MEETING MORNING 28 SEPTEMBER AFTER ~~REDACTED~~ MEETING.

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 ASSET ~~REDACTED~~ ARRIVED EVENING 26 SEPT ~~REDACTED~~ MEET WITH CUBAN TARGET. CIA officer

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