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SUBJECT: [UNKNOWN DEVICE FOUND ON CUBAN BEACH] *(S)(u)*

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On Sunday, October 21, 1962, Mr. [redacted] of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) delivered a lead capsule to the FBI Laboratory for the purpose of identifying a gray-appearing powder contained in a well inside the capsule. *(S)(u)*

This capsule was reportedly recovered from a Cuban beach by an individual who said it was one of many which were being unloaded from a Soviet submarine. The instant device reportedly fell from a wheelbarrow being used for transport. *(S)(u)*

It was reported to the Laboratory that the Atomic, Biological and Chemical Division of the Office of Special Investigations had checked the capsule for the presence of radioactive and biological warfare agents with negative results. *(S)(u)*

Approximately 8 1/2 grams of a mechanical mixture of ground glass (55%) and ground sintered iron particles (45%) constituted the powder inside the well in the lead capsule. Also, present in the powder were several opaque crystals of potassium ferrocyanide which appears to be an accidental ingredient as a result of sintering the iron metal. *(S)(u)*

The lead cylinder itself measured 3" high, was 1 9/16" in diameter and bore a 1/2" diameter hole having 1 1/2 threads per inch, which is a standard domestic pipe thread. *(S)(u)*

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