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Major General V. H. Krulak Chairman, Subcommittee on Cuban Subversion

- 1. (U) Reference is made to your second working draft of 17 April and AFXPD letter of 12 April concerning this subject.
- 2. (S) The addition of pertinent information has improved the second draft. I note that the actions recommended section is written in such a manner as to permit some misunderstanding to readers who are not knowledgeable on service training programs and procedures.
- 3. (S) The Air Force has had considerable success in conducting off-duty programs. At the Air University, for example, faculty members volunteer to sponsor a foreign student and serve a host throughout their training period. The students are taken on conducted tours to points of interest, invited on family picnics, and invited into the homes of their hosts. Language experts are available to help put the students at ease in the event their English is marginal. Air training command bases and technical schools encourage off base activities and current USAF directives encourage acclimation activities and cutline funding procedures to support the programs. Local businessmen, members of the Chambers of Commerce, and various churches cooperate and help support the USAF activities for foreign students.
- 4. (S) Your second draft would be improved by including information concerning the existing MAP Training Program (MATP) to provide background material for those who may not be familiar with the program. The following is suggested:
- a. MATP is designed to satisfy valid training requirements and is sufficiently flexible to satisfy known qualitative and quantitative requirements. Details of the current program can be found in the Western Hemisphere Section of USAF Military Assistance (PMAT-63-S) Fiscal year 1963 Training Program Summary, published 1 May 1962.
- b. Availability of training courses with appropriate details as to location duration etc., is widely publicated throughout Latin America by the Unified Command and Service Mission representation in countries.
- c. Mission personnel in-country work closely with host Air Force officials to develop a sound training program best suited to that countries' needs in terms of both technical and professional skills. This close relationship affords the opportunity to monitor the training of individuals

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and recommend progressive career type programs from basic through advanced schooling.

- d. MATP provides round trip transportation at approximately \$900.00, living expenses enroute, monthly living allowance, and the cost of course tution approximately \$700.00 for a 10-12 week course. An additional \$480.00 is funded for those individuals requiring English training prior to entering technical courses.
- e. Latin American participation in USAF MATP is not limited by availability of facilities or capability. The basic problem is the inability or unwillingness of the Latin American Services to participate in or support the existing programs.
- 5. (S) The following comments pertaining to specific recommendation are submitted for your consideration.
- a. Reference IV a (1) (a). This type training would be more justified if the individuals could be programmed to attend additional courses prior to or subsequent to the summer session.
- b. Reference IV a (1) (d). The Air Force does not have a program of this type in being. The comments of referenced AFXPD letter apply.
- c. Reference IV a (1) (g). This paragraph should also recognize the capability for intelligence type training existing in the other Services. As stated in my previous letter, the Air Force can satisfy all known Latin American Air Force requirements in this area.
- d. Reference IV a (1) (k). This action should be specifically identified with appropriate courses and approached with caution. Presentations of a political nature may have adverse affect on Latin American governments, if obviously emphasized in basic and technical courses. Some governments are highly sensitive at any indication that an external source is influencing their internal political affairs.
- e. Reference IV b (1). As suggested in the last paragraph of Tab 1 to my 12 April letter, it seems appropriate that some consideration be given to using the military capability to assist in training personnel, normally under the direction of AID and State, in the operation of vital facilities.
- 5. (U) This letter is classified SECRET because it concerns politico-military information, unauthorized disclosure of which could be detrimental to good international relations.

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