The 1977 Staff study and comments on Book V of the JCS Final Report contains the following comments with respect to two Jack Anderson columns dated 1/19/77 and 5/10/77:

1. Antonio Veciana contacted the Agency on three occasions for assistance in an assassination plot against Castro: 1/60, 7/62 and 4/66. On each occasion he was turned down.

2. Veciana was never an agent for the Agency. The Agency never had any contractual relationship with him, & he was never paid any CIA funds.

3. Veciana was registered in the ISR by the U.S. Army on 11/62, and terminated w/o prejudice in 7/66.

4. Alpha 66: The Agency had no responsibility for or sponsorship of Alpha 66.

5. The Agency files contain no indication that any CIA
officers ever used the name
Morris Bishop as an alias,
or that anyone named
Morris Bishop was ever
employed by the Agency.

6. The three attempts by
Veciana to secure Agency assistance
for his anti-Castro activities
are as follows:

(a) 10/60: Contacted CoS
    in Havana, James A. Noel.

(b) 7/62: Interviewed at his
    request by HarryNeal from
    DCD in New York. Veciana
    asked for interview of
    a senior CIA officer.
    There is no record that
    the Agency ever acted upon
    this request.

(c) 4/66: LA Division
    officer John R. Lucy,
    using alias John Livingston,
    met with Veciana in
    New York City. The
    meeting was arranged
    through James Cogswell,
    a retired naval officer.

Veciana was never encouraged on
Any of the three occasions
was to follow through with his
assassination plans.