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# Memorandum

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

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FROM : Mr. S. J. Papich *[Signature]*

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SUBJECT: VALERIANO BARJA  
IS - CUBA

*Wannall*

Reference is made to memorandum dated 12/9/63, from Mr. Wannall to Mr. Sullivan. Pursuant to instructions, the Liaison Agent furnished Austin Horn, CIA, two copies of a memorandum on 12/10/63. At the same time, the CIA representative was asked to inform us (1) whether CIA has facilities for establishing contact with the subject at Gander, Newfoundland and (2) whether CIA desires information concerning possible contact with subject be passed to him prior to contact. Horn furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on 12/11/63. *(S)(u)*

*(S)* CIA would not be able to establish contact with subject at Gander without briefing the *(S)* concerning the background of this matter. It would then be necessary to handle the contact with *(S)* CIA is interested in the potential offered in this matter but would prefer to explore the possibilities of contact with subject in another country. Since the memorandum disseminated by the Bureau indicated that subject has occasion to fly to Mexico and Europe, CIA would like to have additional details concerning subject's flying schedules to those particular areas. CIA would also like to know if the subject speaks English. *(S)*

A search of CIA files by Horn disclosed the following information. In February, 1962, a "fairly reliable source" described the subject as a communist. The source did not furnish any other details. *(S)(u)*

In March, 1963, a CIA source of unknown reliability characterized the subject as a "fanatical supporter of Castro." This same source suggested that subject might try to penetrate Castro *(S)(u)*

- 1 - Mr. Wannall
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- 1 - Liaison
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