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9 March 61 - Mexico City Station

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Jack Stewart met w/ Cubela in Mexico City, arranged by Carlos Tepedeno (H.M. contact), a long-time friend. Cubela then Stewart from Havana where he was once assigned.

Cubela and leader of D.R. are elite group of leftist students, signed in 1956 to fight Batista; Nestor Sanchez - case officer.

28 March 61

Both Cubela & Cota wanted to defect; according to asset of Miami Station.

Ex-filtration called off on report that Cuban police aware of Cubela's desire to defect & his departure plan. [Committee]

First of 3 rumormongers within D.R.; but unknown if Cubela aware of report in Cuba. Other two links are even more nebulous

15 April 61

Message from aviation station (get from) Tepedeno that Cubela going to Paris & wanted to take ^{with a fund of \$10,000} ~~take~~ ~~with~~ ~~of~~ ~~Stewart's~~ ~~no~~ indication of any money.

SECRET

15 Jan 62

Lucia F. Chevarria Bianchi told an asset (H.M. contact - 1) that Cubela going to Helsinki & wanted to defect.

SECRET

Would stop in Paris to see Tapedo

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27 June 1962

Tapedo approached FBI in Miami on 11 June with idea that Cubela wanted to defect. FBI sent a detailed memo to CIA since they knew Tapedo to be a CIA asset.

8 July 62

Tapedo dissatisfied w/ CIA handling of Cubela's "defection" in Paris in 61 so he contacted FBI. Stated his source of info on rumors for defection were R Chivarrias.

30 July - 8 August 62

Wm Wainright met w/ Tapedo a jeweler in NYC & both went to Helsinki: Cuba. Tapedo was being "survived" in place & not defecting.

Cubela wanted to blow up oil refineries, kill Castro, Carlos Rodriguez, & Soviet Premier.

7-9 August 62

Meeting in Stockholm because Helsinki too risky. Cubela stated that he told 4 of his Cuban associates that he met Tapedo in Helsinki.

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10-11 August 62

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Wainwright, Tejeduro & Cubela in
Copenhagen's Wainwright used "unassisted"
& Cubela insisted "element"

14-23 August 62

Cubela, Tejeduro, Wainwright &
Earl Williams from Madrid; met in Paris.

Cubela given S/W training &
supplies; shown a timetable document.
Refused to be photographed.

Williams cable that no physical
elimination missions be given as a
requirement but he might do it on his
own initiative. Headquarters strongly concern that
no physical elimination missions be given Cubela.

5-8 Sept 63

Brazil - met by Wainwright,
Tejeduro & Nestor Sanchez who became
case officer.

Cubela allowed 2 S/W messages but
only 1 record. Official or postal censorship.

That subject of Ramon Guzmán Díaz
AMTRUNK-10 who was subject Miguel
DIAZ Izalqui (MICE-14) who had
been sent to recruit PULL

SECRET

14 Sept 63

From Brazil Cubela flew to Paris
& was going to tell Castro after the fact

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that he was taking a vacation,

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3 Oct 63

Sandy arrives in Paris to meet w/ Cuba who had written Tedesco or NY that he did not want to continue.

CIA had to tell French Govt that contacts were for purposes of defense, French unilaterally beginning Cuba under surveillance.

11 Oct 63 Sandy calls that Cuba insists on meeting w/ RFT; announced Cuba going to try an attempt on Castro even w/out U.S. support.

29 Oct 63

Fitzgibbon, Wray, SAs, go to Paris & get approval from Helms.

Fitz states he told Cuba that U.S. would have no part in attempt on Castro's life.

Wray went from Sandy in company

14 Nov 63

19 Nov 63

Sandy must state Fitz assumes that Cuba would get caches of rifles w/ scopes inside Cuba, on request

22 Nov 63

SECRET

Sandy arrives in Paris on Nov 22 after getting perm w/ ~~Bobo~~ from Sandy says Cuba accepted perm but stated he would not submit it to

Cuba with him. SECRET 11.11.135

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Cubela asked for a cache of arms to be placed at AMTRUNK is L2 high-power rifle w/ telescopic sights; 20 grenades; 20000 rounds. As they left morning, heard JFK shot.

Sandy stated he received an OP in cable from Fitzgerald that briefly is "off" but nothing in AMTRUNK file.

Cubela w/ a tape 5/10 with him to Prague

1 Dec 63

Cubela returns from Prague to Cuba

19 Feb 1964

JMWAVE to have 2 caches in place in March.

Done on 17-21 March 64 on

AMTRUNK VIII

24 April 1964

Tegedino had been brief to meet Carlos Jorge ROBERTO many who has message from Cubela.

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3 May 64 - Roberts says Cubela wanted a sender

30 August 64

Artime received info from Madrid that a group of dissident members of Castro regime wanted to ~~the~~ establish direct contact. 7 Oct 64, Artime sends

Alberto BLANCO Romarín.

13 Nov. 64. SECRET

Artime agrees to talk to AMTRUNK-1 if it turns out he is contact man for internal dissident group. Artime

Think if AMRBS#1 is chief of disident group we can forget about operators
4 Dec 64

Sanchez prepares a memo for 6570 for Arteme to maintain contacts w/ disident groups repts in Bayam. Arteme does
6-5 Dec 64

Sanchez meets Cubela in Paris & was told going to continue his plans. Told US. could not be involved.
10 Dec 64.

Arteme did know not Cubela that CIA in direct contact with SAs. Rather SAs continued to put both men together.

CIA did want to put silver weapons in ~~Arteme~~ Cubela's hands directly. But could do it. Thus Arteme.

27 Dec; 30 Dec (initials)

Cubela & Arteme meet in Madrid. Arteme reports to Sanchez that Cubela had requested a silver for FAT rifle - but Americans w/n gave him one.

Arteme to come up w/ silver or different rifle in Cuba.

11 Feb 65

Cubela to receive pistol w/ silver & Belgian FAT rifle w/ silver from Arteme's secretary. Both weapons come from ~~the~~ U.S. & are now in Madrid.

SECRET

Complex

12 Feb 65

SECRET

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Artemio has report dated to Cuba in Madrid.

4 March 65 - Circular Havana; source is friend of Tapedena's also telephone

15 March 65

Rafael Garcia-Bango Director arrives in Madrid from Cuba & informed to a station officer.

Probably close friend of Cuba; & claims to be in favor of group of military leaders planning to overthrow Castro.

Added in July 62 for rep. Tapp as source for Pepi Krell. Tapp - ex manager. (Armed name - live)

June 1965

Victor ESPINOSA Hernandez, a former PM turned now was recruited as a informant on 20 March 1961, contacted FIA's new boss FBY on 3 June 65.

Esquivel stated he had received letter from a friend in Paris urging him to meet w/ Alberto Blaine who had a message from Cuba who wanted it delivered to CIA

Message - Cuba in a position to help Castro & would CIA & US Govt be willing to support them. If "yes", how details on what he needed.

SECRET

Cuba had wanted money in Paris on 1 Feb 65. Turned down & urgent.

16 Feb 65 Sandy gave him 100.

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Taped 7:00 in NY C.

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SECRET

23 June 1965 Headquarters sent cable Kennedy contact. 'Cunning proof that evidence from [unclear] group insure', [unclear] ASAP

1 March 66 - Cubela & bin arrested for activities w CIA

Jose Luis Gonzalez Ballarreto, Alberto Pineda Romany, Juan Alena Navarro. Confirmed Also appearing - Guillermo Cenbill Alvarez, [unclear] [unclear]

Gonzalez Ballarreto - attempts in Spain conducted by Juan Noel ^{was "never"} ~~official~~ official in U.S. Embassy in Madrid.

Cubela met w/ Artem in Spain in Feb. 1965.

Artem sent Ballego to US to get Zelencic's sig. & selector. Delivered to Pineda Romany who delivered it to Gonzalez Ballarreto prior to Cuba the day before he left Madrid.

Tasco

Said in Cuba's records were Zelencic's sig. & FHK ref. +.

9 March 66

Castro sent personal letter that death sentence not be asked. 10 March 66

Cubela testimony:

Selector did ^{SECRET} not work; I threw it away because it was burning my hands

0002295 I spoke to Fidel in January. He opened
the door to me ^{SECRET} but I did not have
the courage to tell him

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(Comment)

Trial schedule completed for trip to
Europe in late 64 & early 65 to meet
w/ Atterley. No mention of Medin at this
Nov 65 contact w/ Atterley.

No hint of prison pen Nov 63.

Speculate

If full details would have come out,
Castro would have little if any support
& probably imprisoned & executed some in own back.

2 high-level
unofficial meeting
where Castro
arrangement
discussed

Special Group (Assignment)
12 August 62 (probably one described by Pearson)
State: Dean Rusk, Aloysius Johnson, Edwin
Martin, Richard Goodwin, Robt Hurwicz
Walter Bue

Maxwell Taylor, McHenry Bundy (RFK absent)
Deputy:

McNamara, Belmont, Tenenbayer, Lansdale
CIA - McCone, Hurry

USIA - Edward Murren, Donald Wilson
Secy - Thomas Parrott

Parrott's notes & a number of
but Medin & King under McNamara
sawing it & Murren's copy.

No one saw it except McNamara
'handy agent' ^{SECRET}

Lansdale note memo on 13 August
to Hurry, Hurwicz, Harris, & Wilson which

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has no Objection to Release as sanitized.
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9 March 61 [Muscovy Station] ⁰³ met w/ Cubela
in Muscovy City, arranged for [Carlos Jopeloni] ⁰³ ~~AMLABA~~ P 1, a long-term
friend. Cubela was [03] ⁰³ in Havana where he was once arrested.

Cubela and leader of DR are like group of leftist students joined in 1956 to fight Batista; [N. for Sanchez] case officer.
28 March 61

Both Cubela & Chik wanted to defect; according to asset of Miami Station.

Ex-filtration called off as report that Cuban police aware of Cubela's desire to defect & his departure plans.
[Comment:]

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~~SECRET~~

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Central Intelligence Agency
has no objection to Release as saw it zed.
Date: 2003

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~~0002785~~

27 June 1962

[Jepedena] approached FBI in Miami on 11 June with idea that Cubela wanted to defect. FBI sent a detailed memo to CIA since they knew [Jepedena] to be a CIA asset.

8 July 62

[Jepedena] dissatisfied w/ CIA handling of Cubela's "defection" in Paris in 61, so he contacted FBI. Stated his source of info on memos to deflection were w/ Chivarria.

30 July - 2 August 62

[]⁰³ met w/ [Jepedena] in NYC & both went to Helsinki, Cuba. Talked into being recruited in place & not defecting.

Cubela wanted to blow up oil refineries, kill Castro, Carlos Rodriguez, & Soviet presence.

7-9 August 62

Meeting in Stockholm because Helsinki for safety. Cubela stated that he told 4 of his Cuban associates that he met [Jepedena] in Helsinki.

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10-11 Sept 62 SECRET

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[03] [Depedira] Cuba in
Cagayran [03] used "massacre"
& Cuba insertion "blame"

14-23 Sept 62

Cuba, [Depedira], [03]
[03] from Miami, met in Paris
Cuba given s/w training &
supplies; also a "mission" document.
Reported to be photographed.

[03] Cuba that no physical
elimination mission be given in a
report but he might do it on his
own initiative. Headquarters strongly oppose. Have
no physical elimination mission be given Cuba.
5-8 Sept 63

Brasil - met by [03],
[Depedira] & Nestor Sanchez who discuss
case files.

Cuba about 2 s/w messages but
only 1 rec'd. afraid of postal censorship.
That report of Ramon Guin Day
[MTRANK-10] who was badly injured
DIA2 [MTRANK-14] who had
been sent to recruit CIA

14 Sept 63

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From Brazil Cuba plan to Paris
& was going to tell Castro after the fact

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that he was taking a vacation.

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Fitz states he told Cuba that US would have no part in attempt on Castro's life.

Written memo from [Sandy] in country

14 Nov 63

19 Nov 63

[Sandy] memo states Fitz assumes that Cuba would get cache of rifles w/ scopes inside Cuba, on request

22 Nov 63

~~SECRET~~

[Sandy] arrives in Paris on Nov 22 after getting gen w/ ~~Robert~~ ~~Ray~~ ~~is~~ ~~from~~

[Sandy] says Cuba accepted gen but stated he would not take it to

Cuba with him. ~~SECRET~~ 11.13.135

0002287* Cubela asked for a cache of
arms to be placed at [AMTRUNK 12]
[2 high-power rifles w/ telescopic sights; 20 grenades; 2000
amm.]. As they left meeting, heard
JFK shot.

[Sandy] stated he rec'd an
O.P. in cable from Fitzgerald that message
is "off" but nothing in AMTRUNK file.

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1 Dec 63

Cubela returns from Prague to Cuba
19 Feb 1964

JMWAVE to have 2 caches in
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Done on 17-21 March 64 on
[AMTRUNK VIII]

24 April 1964

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who has message from Cubela.

097 3 May 64 - Roberto says Cubela wanted a seminar
30 August 64

Artome record info thru Madrid
that a group of doubtful members of Castro
regime wanted to ~~to~~ establish direct
contact. 7 Oct 64, Artome sees

Alberto BLANCO Romarín.

13 Nov. 64. ~~SECRET~~

Artome agrees to talk to PMA 7-1
if it turns out he is contact man
for internal dissent group. Artome

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~~SECRET~~

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Think if AMRASH-1 is chief of immediate group we can forget about operation 4 Dec 64

[Sandy] requests a memo for 6370 for Arteme to maintain contacts w/ disident groups in Regys. Arteme does 6-5 Dec 64

[Sandy] meets Cubela in Paris & was told group to continue his plans. Told US. could not be involved. 10 Dec 64.

Arteme did not know nor Cubela that CIA in direct contact with them. Rather SAS continued to put both men together.

CIA did not want to put select weapons in ~~the~~ Cubela's hands directly but could do it thru Arteme.

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11 Feb 65

Cubela to receive pistol w/ salute & Belgian FAT rifle w/ salute from Arteme's ~~secy~~ ~~SECRET~~ weapons come from ~~the~~ US & are now in Madrid.

Complex

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12 Feb 65

SECRET

~~0002289~~

Artemio has request related to Cuba in Madrid.

4 March 65 - Cuba in Havana; says ~~is~~ is friend of [Jepedone] also relations in

15 March 65

Rafael Garcia-Bango Director arrives in Madrid from Cuba & informed to a [station - officer.]

Publicly close friends of Cuba; & claims to be in favor of group of military leaders planning to overthrow Castro.

Jack in July 62 for exp. Traff. as lawyer for Cypri Kroll. Traff. - ex manager (Another name - link)

June 1965

Vicente ESPINOSA Hernandez, a former PM turned who was recruited as a militant on 20 March 1961, contacted FIA's who signed FBT on 3 June 65.

ESPINOSA stated he had received letter from a friend in Paris urging him to meet w/ Albert Blouin who had a message from Cuba who wanted it delivered to CIA.

Munge - Cuba in a position to help Castro & would CIA & US Govt be willing to support them? If "yes", then details on what he needed.

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Cuba had wanted money in Paris on 1 Feb 65. Travel down & report - #10,400

16 Feb 65 [Sandy] gave hint to.
0002790 [Depedine] 7,00 in NY C.

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~~SECRET~~

23 June 1965. Headquarters sent case
summary contact. & covering proof that evidence
from [redacted] (group measure) furnished ASAS

1 March 66 - Cubela & Artime arrested for
activities w/ CIA

Jose Luis Gongala Ballarota, Alberto Alonso Romany,
Juan Alena Navarro. Confused
Also appearing - Guillermo Curbell
Abrany, Hoyal Herminio Udy

Gongala Ballarota - attempts in Spain
contact of [03] [~~32~~]
at U.S. Embassy in Madrid.

Cubela met w/ Artime in Spain
in Feb. 1965.

Artime sent Ballago to US to get
Telucy's signt & sender. Delivered to
Alonso Romany who delivered it to
Gongala Ballarota then to Cubela. He
left before he left Madrid.

Tasco Signt in Cubela's residence were
Telucy's signt, FHK reflect.
9 March 66

Castro sent personal letter that
death sentence not be asked.
10 March 66

Cubela testimony:

Telucy did not break; I know of
any because it was burning my hands

~~SECRET~~

I spoke to Fidel in January. He opened
the door to me ^{SECRET} but I did not have

the courage to tell him
(Communist)

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Trial evidence confined to trips to
Europe in mid 64 & mid 65 to meet
w/ Hoffman. No mention of Madell then
Nov 65 contact w/ Agony.

No hint of poison pen Nov 63.

Speculate

If full details would have come out,
Custer would have little to except Agony,
& probably put it to rest in our files.

Special Group (Agony)

2 high-level
meeting
was with
mainly
islands

18 August 62 (probably one described by Pearson)
State: Dean Rusk, Helge Johnson, Edwin
Martin, Richard Goodwin, Robt. Hurwicz
White House

Maxwell Taylor, McHenry Bundy (RFK absent)
Deputy:

- McNamara, Belpatist, Tenmeyer, Lunsdale
- CIA - McCone Henry
- USIA - Edward Murren, Donald Wilson
- Secy - Thomas Parrott

Parrotts note & in main account
but Madell's story would McNamara
carry it & Murren's account.

No one raised question of McNamara
'heart of quiet' ^{SECRET}

Lunsdale note memo on 13 August
to Henry, Hurwicz, Harris, & Wilson which