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Information in this report is that available to NSA as of 1900Z, 23 November 1963, unless otherwise stated.

SIGINT DAILY SUMMARY - PART ONE

WORLD HIGHLIGHTS

1. CUBAN MILITARY UNITS PUT ON ALERT BECAUSE OF THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

At 2043Z 22 Nov 63 the message "a state of alert is ordered for all personnel. Be ready to repel aggression." (2/LR1/CUN/R11-63). U/I military units were alerted at 2320Z on VHF voice communications which normally link First Army Hq, Santiago with Guantanamo City with the following message "Inform the Chief that by orders of 117 (unit commander) here, all of them, all of the points, were put on alert. (2LR1/CUM/R187-63).

At 2031Z, 22 November, Eastern Naval Headquarters Banes instructed Headquarters, Southern Sector, Santiago to recall all units. A later message from Banes to Naval Headquarters, Havana reported all units have been recalled due to the death of President KENNEDY. (2/QS/CUN/R665-63).

Operator chatter indicated that the death of President KENNEDY had been announced in Cuba. One Cuban operator remarked "There will be some happy people here."

Other special instructions from the Cuban Government included:

1) A circular message dated 23 November apparently sent to all the Cuban Diplomatic Missions, in which the Cuban Foreign Ministry instructed the missions to make no statements. (3/0/CUD/T1380-63). 2) The Cuban Government ordered the Havana-UN link to stay open all night an unprecedented move, and 3) The Cuban UN ambassador was asked by Foreign Minister ROA to forward immediately all possible data concerning President JOHNSON. He was told to look in Who's Who and was also informed that Prensa Latina had biographical data of this type. (3/0/CUD/T1381-63, 3/0/CUD/T1382-63). (TOP SECRET DINAR)

2. KIDNAPPING OPERATION BY VENEZUELAN SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS REPORTED

A message on 22 November 1963 from Director General of
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