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Ernesto Aragon y Godoy, Secretary to Jose Miro Cardona, head of the Cuban Revolutionary Council (CRC), an anti-Castro organization, recently furnished the following information:

Aragon stated that he met with Manuel Antonio de Varona, an associate of Cardona's, on June 5 and 6, 1962, in Washington, D. C. Varona indicated he had seen several Republican Senators and was furnishing them with information concerning activities within the CRC and the Cuban exile community. Varona stated he had supplied one of the Senate Committees with information and questions to ask Chester Bowles, Special Advisor to the President, who will allegedly appear before it. Varona did not identify the Senate Committee and did not state when Bowles was to appear. (u)

Aragon asked Varona why he was doing this as this would place the CRC in a very bad position with the Kennedy Administration. Varona in reply stated he felt that if such information were furnished the Republicans, the Kennedy Administration would be forced to take direct action immediately. Aragon told Varona that he did not agree with him and that he thought Varona's actions would place Cardona and the CRC in an embarrassing position with officials of the Kennedy Administration. Varona stated he had the reputation of being "the bad boy" of the CRC and might as well act accordingly. Varona also stated that if his actions forced the Kennedy Administration to do something drastic, he believed his actions would be justified. (u)

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- 1 - 134-10900 (Aragon)
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