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The Director has inquired concerning the ownership of Anguilla Key in the Bahamas which was mentioned in our 3/27/63 memorandum as being the base for an unsuccessful Alpha 66 expedition against Cuba in November, 1962. Anguilla Key is a British possession.

Upon receipt of the data concerning use of Anguilla Key by Alpha 66, we sent a memorandum to British Intelligence pointing out its use by the anti-Castro group. At the time we also advised the Attorney General and all interested U. S. agencies. After learning that President Kennedy planned to visit the Bahamas on 12/19/62, we sent a memorandum to Mr. O'Donnell at the White House dated 12/12/62 concerning the matter.

In addition to the all-out investigation ordered concerning captioned group's raid on Cuba during the night of 3/26-27/63, we are pressing the investigations concerning the other three anti-Castro groups involved in raids or contemplated raids against Cuba, which investigations have been authorized by the Department. Instructions were issued on 3/20/63 and 3/27/63 to interview all leaders and key personalities of Alpha 66 who might have knowledge of contemplated raids against Cuba, and similar interviews were ordered concerning the Second National Front of Escambray leaders who aligned themselves with Alpha 66. On 3/26/63 Miami was instructed to furnish the results of its inquiries concerning possible raid plans of the Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil to the Bureau today, 3/28/63. On 3/27/63 we gave Miami a deadline of 4/5/63 to report results of interviews and inquiries concerning a recent raid on Cuba reportedly carried out by soldier of fortune Roy Hargraves and some of his associates.

Last night we reiterated to key field offices previous instructions issued in October and November, 1962, concerning the necessity to maintain the best possible sources within the various anti-Castro groups. In addition, these offices were put on notice they would be expected to cultivate members of anti-Castro groups who did not necessarily qualify as sources and were to direct the activities of their established sources toward the development of advance information regarding proposed raids against Cuba.

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