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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: ANWHIP '1 Meeting, 14 January 1965, New York City

1. Meeting Time/Place/Purpose: The meeting was held in the offices of ANWHIP '1 from 1100 to 1350 hours. The purpose of the meeting was to procure additional information on ANLASH '3 and to brief ANWHIP '1 regarding his role in the meetings between ANLASH '1 and ANBIDDY '1 to be held in Europe during January 1965.

2. Details of the Meeting: ANWHIP '1 was concerned about his role from the meetings between ANLASH '1 and ANBIDDY '1. He was first of all concerned about whether the second meeting should even take place. The undersigned assured ANWHIP '1 that not only was another meeting probably *not only* necessary, but highly desirable, in view of the many problems and details which undoubtedly were left to be ironed out. As agreed with E. Sanchez prior to this New York meeting, the undersigned took the position with ANWHIP '1 that he was not aware of the details of the original meeting and was interested in obtaining any information which was available to ANWHIP '1. ANWHIP '1 stated that he himself did not know much about the meeting's details as he had in fact left Europe before it took place. ANWHIP '1 is not convinced that KUBARK was unaware of the details of this meeting and intimated as much to the undersigned. We, however, maintained the fiction that

we did not know and proceeded with discussions along that line. AMWHIP/1 was also told that it would undoubtedly be of considerable interest to us and to ^{him} ~~him~~ to attend the afore-mentioned January meeting between ANLASH and AMBIDDY.

AMWHIP/1 had informed us in an earlier telephone conversation (Memo for the Record, dated 12 Jan 65) that ANLASH had specifically requested that he attend the meeting. AMWHIP/1 in discussing the reason for his attendance, suggested that perhaps ANLASH/1 wanted a trustworthy witness to the conversations and also possibly to witness the signing of a written memoranda which might be prepared by the two participating parties.

As sighted in Memo for the Record, dated 12 Jan 65, AMWHIP/1 elaborated on his telephone conversation with ANLASH/1 who had called from Geneva on 12 Jan. ANLASH/1 had called from AMWHIP/2's home to AMWHIP/1's office in N. Y. ANLASH/1 indicated that he desired another meeting with AMBIDDY prior to his return to Cuba. However, ^{after} getting our concurrence for this meeting, AMWHIP/1 informed us that he expected to contact AMBIDDY/1 in Miami on the 15th of January during a stopover on his (WHIP's) trip to Puerto Rico. AMWHIP/1 said he would either see AMBIDDY personally, telephone him, or in any case make contact with him through ~~a man known as~~ ^{one} Enrique Garcia, ^{Vazquez} former member of the Bay of Pigs Brigade and presently manager or owner of the Laundry Chantres, located on 8th Str., Miami (see attachment for traces and for further identification of Garcia).

AMWHIP/1 stated further that AMLASH had decided that he should like to have the meeting in Rome and that it should take place sometime before the end of January (since it is now known that ANBIDDY intends to go to Europe during the first part of the week of the 18th, its quite possible the meeting will take place during the week of the 18th). AMWHIP said that he would not have an unlimited amount of time this time to be in Europe. We said we understood this and told AMWHIP that "Nick" (N. Sanchez) likewise could only devote 3 or 4 days to European meetings. It was agreed, therefore, that for the best utilization of both men's time, they should coordinate their travels to Europe.

3. Silencer: AMWHIP opened this subject by saying that he wanted to get something off his mind even though he was aware that we were always reluctant to discuss this subject. He stated that he would be able to get a silencer for a "M-3 rifle" for \$125.00. We suggested that he discuss this subject with "Nick", ^{and also that} ~~However,~~ the silencer should, ^{perhaps best} be a subject for discussion between AMLASH and ANBIDDY. AMWHIP/1 stated that he understood our position on this point. We then proceeded on ~~the~~ other subjects.

4. AMLASH/3: In response to a request from WH/SA/CI (Tansing) we brought up the subject of AMLASH/3. In summary, AMWHIP did not have anything to add to his picture of AMLASH/3 that he has not already discussed previously with N. Sanchez. However, for the record we will include a summary of our conversations concerning AMLASH/3. AMWHIP/1 stated he had known

AMLASH '3 for many years, (since school days) but did not consider him to be a close friend. He knew AMLASH '3's family as he had sold jewelry to them from time to time during the Batista era in Havana. AMWHIP '1 believed AMLASH '3 had been associated with the University but had not actually been a bonafied student. He knew nothing else about AMLASH '3's educational background. AMLASH '3 ^{HAS} had known ~~AMWHIP~~ ^{AMLASH} '1 for 10 or 12 years. It was the opinion of AMWHIP '1 that AMLASH '3 was "100% loyal to ~~AMWHIP~~ ^{AMLASH} '1". It further stated that aside from his rather strong interest in liquor and attendant belligerency when drunk, AMLASH '3 was not open to corruption through financial inducement or other material rewards. He stated that AMLASH '3 was already rather involved with ~~AMWHIP~~ ^{AMLASH} '1 and his plotting, ^{having} and acted as driver, ^{during} the recent caching of arms by AMLASH '3 in [redacted] warehouse outside Havana. [redacted] according to AMWHIP '1, ~~from AMLASH~~ ^{former AMLASH} '1, has become extremely nervous as result of his participation in the AMLASH planning and has, in fact, recently resigned his position as [redacted] He wants to return to the study of medicine and to complete his work for an M.D. degree. We pointed out to AMWHIP '1, and he agreed with us, that such action would not particularly serve to add any protection to [redacted] position, but possibly would merely call more attention to ~~him~~ ^{him}.)

We attempted to explore the details of AMLASH '3's recruitment for subsequent dispatch to Spain by the DSI. AMWHIP

stated that he had given this information to, he believed, both "Nick" and to Growery in Europe. He knew the man who had recruited Blanco in Cuba as being a notorious DSI ^{name} operator. He could not recall the ~~man~~ but stated he had provided it before on a previous occasion. He did not know any of the details of AMLASH 3's activation in Madrid or of his contact with Luis Manuel CANTILLO Tofoic. ANWHIP said he was aware ~~only~~ ^{me} only of the fact that AMLASH 3 had been in the company of "Luis Manuel". ANWHIP 1, however, offered to elicit as much information as possible about the AMLASH 3 CANTILLO relationship. He asked for a briefing or a list of questions prior to his next meeting with AMLASH 3 in Europe.

In discussing the loyalties of AMLASH 3 and the resultant security implications for the AMLASH operation, ANWHIP stated (see above) that he was absolutely certain that AMLASH 3 would never intentionally reveal any thing to anyone which would jeopardize AMLASH 1. (Case Officer Comment: In discussing Security ramifications of AMLASH 3's knowledge of the AMLASH 1 AMBIDY relationship, ~~been~~ in the light of his DSI associations, it could be concluded that since AMBIDY is now tied closely to AMLASH 1, AMLASH 3 will also protect AMBIDY.)

During the discussion of AMLASH 3, ANWHIP 1 expressed mild amazement over the fact that we continued to doubt A 3's bonafides when AMLASH 1, who had his head on the block, had enough confidence in the man to include him ~~from~~ some of his most compromising activities. To summarize our position in

the matter as we discussed it at length with AMWHIP, we pointed out that his assessment of ANLASH '3 was probably correct, but that we must, in the interest of giving ANLASH 1 maximum protection possible, ~~we must~~ take the pessimistic view point with regard to all of ANLASH's associates, *which manifested itself in one form by the necessary fact and plagues of the operation. (in)* ~~in the constant~~ checking and rechecking ~~also~~ *absolutely necessary.* AMWHIP 1 sounded not only satisfied but even somewhat pleased with this approach and reiterated his willingness to obtain whatever information was necessary about ANLASH 3 or other associates of ANLASH 1.

5. AMWHIP 1 was leaving on the ~~IXYX~~ 15th for San Juan, Puerto Rico and will return to N. Y. the evening of the 18th or the morning of the 19th of January. He will get in touch with "Nick" or the undersigned at that time for further instructions.

6. The undersigned checked with N. Sanchez at Hqs to ascertain whether ~~IXYX~~ there ^{were} ~~was~~ any further requirements for AMWHIP or additional developments in the operation which could be serviced in N. Y.. There were none. The undersigned returned to Washington, D. C. the evening of the 14th of Jan.

7. Security: There ^{were} ~~was~~ no incidents of a security nature to report during this meeting.

