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TO :

D. J. BRENNAN

DATE: December 3, 1963

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S. J. PAPICH

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The captioned individuals are assigned to [redacted] Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) is interested in promoting a recruitment of the subjects through the use of [redacted] a former Cuban diplomat.

CIA's approach to this matter is described in the following contents of an internal CIA memorandum: (S) (u)

"During discussions with [redacted] former Cuban Consul General in New York and [redacted] developed that [redacted] believed that [redacted] and [redacted] attaches to [redacted] were not loyal communists. He felt that they were not battlers either, but that they had merely accepted continuing with the Cuban Foreign Service as a lesser evil to beginning a new life in a new country. This was particularly true since they have been allowed to remain in the Foreign Service after the purge in 1961, due to the fact that [redacted] was a namesake of Celia Sanchez, Secretary to Fidel Castro. [redacted] had, in turn, protected [redacted] from the purge. [redacted] felt that if they ever faced the assignment of a return to Cuba, there would be a crisis. Consequently, he felt that they should certainly be contacted, or, at least, an attempt made. He had made such an attempt in the early part of 1963 when he was in New York. He tried to call the numbers at their old home addresses. Though he tried several times, he was never able to reach either party.

"It is felt that [redacted] would be an excellent person to attempt to contact both. [redacted] worked closely under his direction when he was the Consul General in New York. [redacted] was also under his immediate direction and also worked closely with him. He should be able to establish an immediate rapport based upon past work and friendship."

- 1 - Mr. Wannall
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Memorandum to Mr. Brennan

RE: [REDACTED] (S)

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The foregoing was furnished to the Liaison Agent on November 29, 1963, by Austin Horn, CIA, who inquired if the Bureau had any objection to CIA initiating an approach of the subjects through the use of [REDACTED] (S)

OBSERVATIONS:

It is the opinion of the Liaison Agent that CIA does not have a strong foundation for initiating an approach as indicated. The Agency could be on a fishing expedition and we may find it desirable to object to CIA's proposed action in the absence of additional information. We also should bear in mind that the Bureau is free to consider the use of [REDACTED] if we felt this operation should be handled by the Bureau. (S) (S)

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Nationalities Intelligence Section. It is suggested that its reply to [CIA be] transmitted via Liaison. (S) (u) 302

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