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Lansdale states, "On October 30-31 for an 'Eyes Only' background memorandum requested by Rosewell Gilpatric, information was requested from CIA on the current status of all operations. CIA reported all militant operations have been ordered held at a stop, although the volatile Cubans were frustrated and not under complete control. The Matahambre operation was not mentioned by the CIA in reporting in operational teams inside Cuba, although I asked for specifics on militant teams inside. Two action teams CIA reported as being inside Cuba were described as in place only collecting intelligence, not actions, (sabotage,etc.)*

*INB: A hand-written note next to the above statement by Lansdale reads,"Harvy/ Chever say he did not ask."

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PERSONS/ENTITIES: MCCONE, HARVEY, RUZA German Minger	<u>DATES</u> : July 10, 1962 Juno, 11, 1962 July 1, 1962 May 1962	MONGOOSE	CATEGORIES:

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Occontribute: Efforts were made to establish contact with Suana Castro Rug, half sister: of Fidel and Raud Castro Rugs because she opposed the strong Communist nature of the Cuban regime. According to Mrs. Wanginia Beneadude Cunha, she contacted Rugs and obtained Rug agreement to provide intelligence on the Cuban political leadership and to work against the Cuban Communist regime, "short of engaging in activity which might result in direct personal harm to her brothers Raul and Fidel." Arrangements were being made for direct recruitment of Rug in Mexico.

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OCCURRENCE: Lansdale briefed the group on numbers of agents in Cuba. Air resupply proposal submitted by CIA "should be deferred pending broader review of the entire situation." Taylor noted if urgent need for air supply proposal could be made to the Special Group Augmented at any time. "Mr. McCone emphasized that no high-level penetrations of the Cuban government have yet been attained." "The Attorney General inquired about the status of popular support for Castro, and also the possibility of a revolt against him." Lansdale replied, "There is no rallying point for active opposition." The AG and Johnson emphasize need to obtain hard intelligence on subversive activities by Castro in the hemisphere. A complete review of MONGOOSE was set toward the end of July. Taylor emphasized need for summaries of results "and a statement of future alternatives open to the U.S. should be developed." Looking into proposal to subsidize "Japanese purchases of Dominican sugars so that the Japanese could divert these purchases from Cuba. McCone said that his experts had informed him that from a legal point of view CIA could use unvouchered funds to support an operation of this."

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FOREIGN	INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD	July 25,1962	MONGOOSE

OCCURRENCE: Helms notes that McCone briefed the panel of the President's foreign intelligence advisory board on political action projects. He pointed out that"each project must have his approval to the circulation to the members of the Special Group". For example, reconnasiance overflights are now approved. He noted covert financial support Helms "read to the panel

a paper on the operation Mongoose which the Director had used earlier in the day for giving a briefing to the President."

SOURCE: Memorandum for the record, re meeting on CA matters with the panel of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board of Helms, dated July 25, 1962 (00870) FILE:

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OCCURRENCE: Harvey states, "On 3 November, 1962, a fragmentary COMMAN report was received, reflecting the arrests by the Cuban authorities in Panar del Rio, of the infiltrees. It was impossible to determine, definitely, whether this report referred to the two members of the Matahambre sabotage team."



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SGA discussed various possibilities of accomplishing reconaissance of Cuba, ranging from very low level coverage by tactical aircraft to high performance aircraft and drones. Over-flights and peripheral flights were discussed.

It was agreed that the first priority is one high performance mission in the western part of \checkmark the island, to be accompanied by all out Elint support. Depending on the results of this, a number of similar searches may be mounted. First mission was later approved by higher authority, but the decision on the second proposition left open.

The entire package was to be discussed at the USIB, and by Chiefs on Wednesday, October 10th.

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Memorandum dated 16 September 1963 for members of the Special Group from Mr. Parrott

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On August 12, 1960 the Special Group heard a summary of the budget for Cuban operations from MR. BISSELL. Approximately 13% million dollars were required to finance Cuban operations for the fiscal year and a balance of 10-5/4) was necessary for the remainder of the fiscal year. Major subheadings in the budget were (1) political action, (2) propaganda, (3) paramilitary, (4) intelligence collection, (5) counterintelligence, (6) communications support, (7) support.

It was agreed "This matter should be laid before the appropriate higher authorities and a presentation would be arranged hopefully within the next 10 days. This was believed to be wise, not because any (continued)

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OCCURRENCE: President Kennedy's visit to Mexico greatly enhanced U.S. goodwill in Mexico. It fulfilled U.S. plans to impress upon Castro that Mexico is solidly with the United States and the West. State believes this should ease the way for future discussions about Cuba with the Mexicans. Re: Operation MONGOOSE, the joint communique issued by President Kennedy and President Lopez Mateos included a phrase which was 'They proposed to respect and maintain the principles of non intervention--whether this intervention may come from a continental or extracontinental state--and of self-determination of peoples." In response to a Lansdale query, the Department of State noted that "There were no developments resulting from the President's trip to Mexico including the text of the joint United States-Mexico communique which alter the basic guidelines which govern the Cuba Project." Lansdale noted that the CIA now had Assaans in Havana operating. In addition there are agents and teams in the provinces. "Voice of Cuba" broadcasts from the U.S. Navy submarine were successful. "It is noted that UPI carried this news item but spiced it up with added stories of Castro's use of militia against guerillas in Mantanzas. SOURCE: The 2 stories put together by OFF have no relations in registry STAFF: and the Voice of Cube' broadcast are being closely directed to fif in with other operations STAFF: STAFF: Stories within Mongoose Guidelines of the Special Group Augmented re: Store within Mongoose Guidelines of Cube's the second store of the Special Group Augmented re: Store of the Special Guidelines of Store of the Special Guidelines of the Special Guidelin gurdelines. MONGOOSE progress from Lansdale, July 5, 1962 (00406-00408) di Genova July 1, 1975 FILE: DATE:

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OCCURRENCE: McCone explained the situation which has resulted in a group led by Senor Bosch acquiring B-26's which are now in Costa Rica prepared to conduct a bombing raid on Cuba. The group discussed a draft State Department cable to various Latin American embassies related to this incident. It was agreed that the point should be made in the cable that any such contemplated raid would be premature at this time. Disassociation of the United States from any such endeavor was to be accomplished by leaking stories of the impending raid to the press.

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