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1. FYI LOCAL ODENVY contacted WAVE 23 Nov to advise they received teletype their HQS requesting local office determine veracity, to include sources, of statement made by DRE LEADER JOSE LLANUSA GOBEL to effect FIDEL CASTRO HAD THREATENED LIVES US LEADERS IN EVENT US AGGRESSION AGAINST CUBA. LLANUSA CLAIMED POSSESSION THIS INFO IN RECENT TELECON WITH PAUL BETHLE, ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CITIZEN COMMITTEE FOR FREE CUBA IN WASHINGTON, AND ATTRIBUTED ABOVE THREATS TO FIDEL CASTRO DURING RECEPTION EARLY SEPT AT BRAZILIAN EMBASSY HAVANA.

2. LOCAL ODENVY stated their attempts satisfy above by thwarted by JOSE LLANUSA who used series prefixes when contacted to avoid naming sources and ultimately stated he had to check matter out with WAVE before divulging info. LOCAL ODENVY then called WAVE for assistance.

WAVE checked with LLANUSA and LUIS FERNANDEZ and determined foll:

A. DRE SOURCES FOR ABOVE INFO WERE ARTICLES WHICH APPEARED MIAMI HERALD AND VOICE OF CUBA (INFORMES SOBRE CUBA) 9 AND 13 SEPT
RESPECTIVELY. IT LATER DETERMINED VOICE OF CUBA HAD TAKEN ITS INFO FROM MIAMI HERALD ARTICLE.

B. DRE SOMEWHAT AMATEURISHLY ATTEMPTED DODGE LOCAL QUERY ORDER PROTECT FACT THEIR INFO STEMMED FROM NEWSPAPER ARTICLE.

3. WAVE PASSED INFO PARA 2A ABOVE TO LOCAL O'ENNY AND IT APPEARED SATISFY THEIR QUERY.

4. DRE HAS BEEN MOST ACTIVE ANSWERING PRESS QUERIES RE OSWALD ETC DUE FACT MOST NEWS MEDIA HAVE QUESTIONED DRE ON THEIR NEW ORLEANS DEBATE WITH OSWALD. HAVING OBTAINED MEDIA ATTENTION DRE TRYING TO CAPITALIZE ON THIS BY MAKING DRAMATIC STATEMENTS WHICH IMPLY TIE-IN BETWEEN OSWALD AND G6C. WAVE HAS INSTRUCTED DRE NOT DRAMATIZE FACTS OR ATTEMPT SLANT NEWS BUT DRE CONTINUES PERSUE COURSE OF ACTION WHICH IN THEIR JUDGEMENT BEST SUITED PROPAGANDIZE U.S. RE CUBAN ISSUE.

HOPE O'ENNY QUERY MAY INHIBIT FUTURE DRE SPOKESMEN FROM MAKING SLANTED OR DRAMATIC STATEMENTS.

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