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Mr. Walter Elder
 Review Staff
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 Langley, Virginia

Dear Mr. Elder:

This is to confirm our discussion of February 20 regarding the deposition of certain requests of the Select Committee:

- (1) With regard to the Committee's letter of February 6, and CIA's letter response 76-0200/1 of February 11, I asked that a further attempt be made to identify the initials "G.N.N." Those initials follow handwritten comments on a March 1965 document in the AMLASH file which proposed giving the Cuban government information which might compromise AMLASH.
- (2) With regard to the Committee's letter of January 12 and CIA's letter response 76-0062/1 of February 11, I asked that CIA review its files on Osvaldo Dorticos, President of Cuba, to determine if the message received by Dr. Portell-Villa was placed in those files.
- (3) Dan Dwyer and I reviewed the list of CIA personnel at the ~~Mexico City~~ station referenced in CIA's letter 76-0083/3 of February 11 and agreed the list should remain at the Agency.
- (4) I requested the Select Committee be provided the current address and telephone number of Mr. ~~John Whiten~~, the Desk Chief for Mexico in 1963.
- (5) With regard to the Committee's letter of January 29, requesting that two current Agency employees be made available for interviews, we agreed the Agency should provide the Committee a letter stating whether or not these employees were readily available for interviews.

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(6) Dan Dwyer and I reviewed Agency originated documents in CIA's 201 File on Gilberto Policarpo Lopez. It is our understanding you would reconsider CIA's decision to deny the Committee's request for a copy of these documents.

(7) With regard to the Committee's letter of January 30, we agreed:

(a) We would for the time being narrow the request in paragraph 1 to include only contacts of Director McCone;

(b) We would not alter the requests in paragraphs 2 and 3.

I trust this summary accords with your understanding of our discussion, but please let me know if there is any misunderstanding.

Sincerely,


James H. Johnston

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