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Re Minneapolis teletype dated 9/30/63 entitled "ABEL MESA, Neutrality Matters", and Bureau airtel to Miami dated 10/4/63.

Enclosed herewith are twelve copies of a Letterhead Memorandum dated and captioned as above.

Copies of this Letterhead Memorandum are being disseminated locally to CIA, ONI, G-2, INS, OSI, Border Patrol, US Customs, Miami, US Customs Region II, Miami, Coast Guard and State Department, Coordinator of Cuban Affairs.

MM T-1 is MM 639-S.

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On 10/14/63 Mr. JOSEPH VIDAL, CIA, Miami, advised that CIA does not have an operational interest in recruiting in Minneapolis or ABEL MESA. (u)

VIDAL said CIA has an operational interest in MANUEL ARTIME BUESA, head of the MRR, but only in ARTIME's activities outside the United States. VIDAL said that ARTIME does not operate any training camps in Central America. (u)

For the information of the Bureau it is public knowledge among the Cuban colony in Miami that ARTIME has the backing, approval and financing of the US Government. Numerous Cuban exile leaders point out that the MRR members themselves claim to have United States backing. ARTIME travels all over Central America, has no problem obtaining re-entry permits from the US Government, and neither ARTIME or the MRR have any financial problems.

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[MM 639-5] (u)

MM T-1, who has been active in Cuban revolutionary matters for the past six years, advised during July, August and September, 1963 that MANUEL ARTIME BUESA continues to be the head of the Movimiento Recuperacion Revolucionario (MRR), an anti-CASTRO organization which maintains an office at 224 N. E. 23rd Street, Miami, Florida. (u)

[MM T-1] advised that during July, August and September, 1963, ARTIME's followers were out trying to obtain names of Cuban exiles in Miami as future recruits for a military training camp in Central America to be established by ARTIME. A majority of young Cuban exiles were reluctant to volunteer and claimed that they would not go to any training camp until they receive assurance that the United States Government approves the camp. Many of the exiles recall the Playa Giron Invasion failure of Cuba and do not want to be involved in any future military action that might fail. (u)

[MM T-1] explained that ARTIME's recruiters have had great difficulty in obtaining names of would-be recruits. The Cuban exiles of military age quickly point out that ARTIME has no military training or background and lacks the political backing of the majority of the Cuban exile leaders. They also point out that although ARTIME was one of the leading figures in Brigade 2506, that participated in the Playa Giron Invasion, he does not have the backing of this organization. (u)

On September 4, 1963 the "Miami Herald", a daily newspaper published in Miami, Florida, contained an article which stated that ARTIME announced he had warned FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, Prime Minister of Cuba, that henceforth the MRR would kill three CASTRO men for every Cuban killed by the CASTRO Regime. ARTIME stated that the beginning of the MRR move to Central America from Miami was then underway, that military missions against Cuba had begun and would be accelerated. (u)

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