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**TO** Chief, WHD  
**FROM** Chief of Station, Ciudad Trujillo

**DATE** 27 January 1957

**SUBJECT** { **GENERAL** Operational  
                  **SPECIFIC** Cuban-Dominican Relations: William B. PAWLEY

1. COS Ciudad Trujillo has received a report to the effect that the recent Cuban-Dominican troubles were settled personally for the PRIME Chief of State by Mr. William B. PAWLEY, former Ambassador to Peru and Brazil, who is now engaged in petroleum activities in the Dominican Republic.
2. According to the story received by COS, PAWLEY contacted both President BATISTA of Cuba and Generalissimo TRUJILLO of the Dominican Republic. The matter was handled privately without fanfare with the result that the Cubans sent their Minister of Agriculture to represent them at the great Cattle Fair. The Dominicans made a great show of courtesy toward the Cuban Minister.
3. It is understood that PAWLEY believes BATISTA and TRUJILLO will exchange ambassadors in the very near future.
4. COS would appreciate confirmation from Headquarters of the truth of the above report which came from a source which does not wish to be mentioned.
5. The above is for Headquarters' private information and not for dissemination.

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*Robert B. Marshall*  
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24 January 1957

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Signed: *Elisabeth Salbraith*

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