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21 JUN 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Brigadier General E. G. Lansdale

SUBJECT: U. S. Army Enlistment Program for Cubans

1. You will recall that on 7 June 1962 your office gave us the names of eight Cuban-born U. S. Army privates who were creating difficulties at Ft. Jackson, claiming that commitments concerning their enlistments were not being honored. A letter was sent to each of these men at our request by Manuel Antonio de VARONA y Laredo, head of the Movimiento de Rescate Constitucional Democratico, urging them not to jeopardize, by their indiscreet actions, a program believed to be in the best interests of the Cuban Revolutionary Council. These were individually written letters and were mailed on 14 and 15 June.

2. In this connection, there is attached a UPI release from Ft. Jackson which was published in the Washington Post on 17 June 1962. Our office in Miami has advised that the same story also appeared in the Miami Herald on the same date.

3. Although we assume that the eight men referred to in the UPI release are identical with the individuals to whom letters were sent by VARONA and that the immediate problem called to our attention on 7 June has been resolved, our representatives in Miami believe that this incident is indicative of problems that will probably arise under the new U. S. Army program as they now understand it.

SIGNED

WILLIAM K. HARVEY

Attachment: a/s

cc: Brig. Gen. W. H. Craig

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## Army Ends Plan To Train Indians: Few Interested

The Army announced today that it will discontinue its plan to train Indian youth in the use of modern weapons and tactics. The plan, which was announced in 1947, was to train 10,000 Indian youth in the use of modern weapons and tactics over a period of five years. The plan was to be carried out in the form of a series of camps and training schools. The Army said that the plan had been abandoned because few Indians were interested in the program.

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A public information officer said that some of the reasons for the abandonment of the plan were the lack of interest of the Indians in the program and the fact that the program was too expensive. The officer said that the program had cost the Army about \$10 million over the five-year period. The officer said that the program had been abandoned because the Army could not afford to continue it.