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1 tried and most of them, they were all dead. It was a very
 2 risky business. It's not the kind of thing they would want to
 3 try with a .38.

4 And I think also, I mean nobody, I think -- as I say, we
 5 had no particular anticipation that this or any other group
 6 would be successful in something that nobody had been able to
 7 do for thirty years, but at any rate, those were the backstops.

8 Mr. Schwarz. Did you know how the arms were passed into
 9 the Dominican Republic, as opposed to passed to the dissidents?

10 Mr. Goodwin. No, I only know what Dearborn later told me
 11 in conversation. I only have this fifteen year old memory
 12 on my part that he gave them to them in the consulate. I may
 13 have known at one time how he got them. There were a lot of
 14 guns in the Dominican Republic.

15 Mr. Schwarz. Did you know ²⁴ that arms were passed through
 16 the diplomatic pouch?

17 Mr. Goodwin. I did not know that, but I wouldn't be
 18 surprised, weapons of that size.

19 Mr. Schwarz. Now again, when were the arms passed, as
 20 far as you know?

21 Mr. Goodwin. Well I don't know. I don't have the exact --
 22 the message is in here. I think it was after President
 23 Kennedy took office.

24 My knowledge of it was on the basis of the message --

25 The Chairman. Is there someone that can help Mr. Goodwin

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1 Mr. Schwarz. What was your understanding of the
2 location of the machine guns that the dissidents wanted?

3 Mr. Goodwin. I don't remember, but it's in here somewhere
4 in the paper.

5 (Pause)

6 Mr. Schwarz. Well, let me cut through the question.
7 Did you know that the machine guns were sent to the
8 Dominican Republic ²⁴ through the diplomatic pouch?

9 Mr. Goodwin. I know now.

10 Mr. Schwarz. Did you know about it?

11 Mr. Goodwin. Now I knew, when the issue arose in May
12 that we had -- we had brought in machine guns, but the precise
13 method by which they were brought in I never asked about.

14 The Chairman. I am having a little difficulty following.

15 We began with your being told that it was the policy of
16 the previous Administration to encourage dissident groups and
17 do whatever possible to isolate or to undermine and bring down
18 the Trujillo regime. Then, following the Inauguration of
19 President Kennedy, certain weapons are passed to these
20 dissidents in the Dominican Republic for the purpose of
21 assassinating -- of their use in the assassinating President
22 Trujillo.

23 Now when did you learn that weapons had been in fact
24 passed to dissident groups, that obviously had occurred after
25 President Kennedy had been inaugurated. When did you first

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