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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL HAIG
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL, DA

Subject: Psychological Programs Subcommittee - Cuba

l. An informal meeting of the Interdepartmental Subcommittee (Psychological Programs) on Cuban Affairs was convened in Room 7519, New State at 1430 hours, 30 December 1963. The agenda for the meeting was not pre-announced. Present from State were Chairman Bowdler, Sylvester, and Montenegro; from CIA, Tilton and Holloway, from USIA, Murphy; and the undersigned.

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- 2. The following topics were discussed:
- a. CUTAL (Unified Labor Federation for Latin America)
  meeting scheduled for Rio de Janeiro. 24 28 January 1964.
  Mr. Montenegro, State labor advisor for Latin America,
  described the anticipated meeting as a "founding" assemblage
  of left-wing labor leaders, socialists, and communists who
  will attempt to resolve their differences. State believes
  that there will be a concerted effort by the communists
  to wrest the leadership of the fledgling federation from
  Mexican socialist elements. Following actions were
  discussed:
  - (1) State to cable US Ambassador to Brazil to ascertain the degree to which local (not national) governmental elements will support disruptive and harassing actions before and during the meeting.
  - (2) State to circularize Latin American posts with the suggestion that local influences be brought to bear in order to discourage country delegates from attending the meeting.
  - (3) USIA to consider VOA broadcasts to Latin America in order to exploit exposes of Cuban, East German, and Chinese Communist labor conditions.

(4) CIA to continue black propaganda operations in Brazil which suggest postponement of the meeting.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOHN H. CRIMMINS

Coordinator of Cuban Affairs

Department of State

SUBJECT:

Interdepartmental Coordinating Committee of Cuban

Affairs: Possible Retaliatory Actions by the Castro

Government (U)

Reference:

Memorandum from the Coordinator of Cuban Affairs

Dept of State, subject as above, 13 Sep 63

In response to reference memorandum, outlined below is the status of existing contingency plans for those priority situations agreed upon at our meeting of September 12, 1963. The numbering of the paragraphs below corresponds to the format utilized in the attachment to reference memorandum and includes those actions for which Department of Defense specific or related military contingency plans exist.

"A. Actions Against U. S. Targets in Cuba

"4. Harassment of Guantanamo

"(a) Cutting off of the water supply"

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In addition, evacuation of non-essential personnel in 24 hours or less can be accomplished if directed.

"(b) Closing access to the base by Cuban workers who commute"

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