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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Special Affairs Staff

SUBJECT : AMWORLD--Project JMHART

1. Chief, WH/7 has tentatively offered the services of CIA contract personnel assigned to this project--principally those of the Director of the Panamerican Foundation, Mr. Curtis Wilgus, to serve as a channel to ex-President Figueres and Foreign Minister Oduber in promoting the acceptability of AMWORLD and AMBIDDY-1 by the moderate left. Under the terms of the JMHART Project, CIA, through Curtis Wilgus, will be able to influence the composition of the student body of the School for Inter-American Development. It is proposed that Wilgus would tell Figueres and Oduber that it is intended to also enroll Cubans in the school and that in the opinion of Wilgus they should be drawn from exile organizations known to be dedicated to democratic principles, such as Artima's MRR, Manolo Ray's JURE, the MRP and MDC. It is unlikely that Figueres and Oduber would demur. In any case, their demurrals could be overruled. The prominent mention of the MRR as a cradle of democratic ideas and the actual inclusion of students selected by Artima would postulate acceptance of the MRR and of Artima as exponents of a political philosophy acceptable to the moderate left. Any excoriation of Artima for having allied himself with the Semosas would be blunted if the MRR forms a part of the student body (and conceivably the faculty) of the School for Inter-American Development.

2. I intend to suggest to Artima that he pay his respects to Figueres in Cambridge, of course without alluding to the school project. The purpose of the call would, quite frankly, be to butter up Figueres.

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