

SECRET

1957-58

ADDP, C/DOF 4, C/FL 1, C/INT, C/LA, C/FL 6, C/SR 9, C/A 1, C/SAS 5,

Subject: A:

NUMBER OF SOVS HAD BEEN REDUCED TWO

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CHANDY. ORIGINAL

ARRIVING WITH

WAS SEEN IN UNIFORM, ALL WEAR

WEAR, APPARENTLY CUBAN MADE. NO

SYMBOLIC OF PLAYBOYS. IN A

CHINESE, ONE IN PALE BLUE TUNIC AND

IN SUITS. [92] SAW AND HEARD RE

WHITE TYPES.

[92] SAW ON 13 DEC TEN

FROM MATANCAS TO VERACRUZ. EACH FIDE

AND ONE SMALLER WHEEL RAISED OFF

LAKE CANNON. ON 15 DEC TEN

HE SAW 5 LARGE TRUCKS DRIVEN BY SOVS AND CARRYING FIVE

WOMEN. LATER SAME DAY SAW TEN MORE. ALL GOING FROM RANCHO

BOCA AREA TOWARDS THE INTERIOR. IN ALL SAW APPROX 250 DURING

VISIT. ALL SOVS IN 22-28 AGE GROUP.

4. SEE TWO, ABOVE.

5. FLOW OF SOVS IS CONSISTENT WITH NEEDS CASTRO GOVT. MANY

MANY MORE WILL COME AS NEED ARISES. TYPICAL ATTITUDE OF MAN

IN STREET IS "SOVS HERE TO STAY".

6. NO INFO SOVS IN CUBAN MILITIA UNIFORMS.

REMARKS AND SPECIFIC COMMENTS: NO GUARANTEE FROM

ALL OF MY AGREEMENT, ALSO, CASTRO SENSITIVE TO CHARGE NO SOVIET

WAS RECEIVED FROM THE INTERIOR, CAN NOTE

AGAINST THESE NEEDS OF CUBA.

LIFE: NO GOC OFFICIAL OPPOSES FOR FEAR OF OWN LIFE. IN ANY EVENT, OPPOSITION WOULD HAVE NO VALUE OR MEANING. COMMON QUOTE: "FIDEL HACE Y FIDEL DESHACE".

3. SEE ONE, ABOVE.

4. NOT KNOWN, BUT CUBAN POSITION IN DISPUTE VERY INDEPENDANT, UNAFFECTED.

PART C

1. MOST OF THE MILITIA PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN CONVERTED TO ARMY REGULARS PAST SIX MONTHS.

2. UNKNOWN

3. ⁰² [D] IMPRESSION IS THAT CUBAN ARMY NOW WELL TRAINED AND ORGANIZED.

4. ON TEN DEC. NEAR SOROA, ALL CARS HALTED ON ROAD WHILE CONTINGENT CUBAN TROOPS SURROUNDED A CAME FIELD AND SPRAYED IT WITH GUNFIRE, SEARCHED IT, BUT FOUND NO ONE. TROOPS WELL FED AND SUPPLIED. (SOURCE: ⁰⁵ [REMIYA ROCA] 9 DEC). SOROA APPROX 80 KMS FROM PARANA TOWARDS PINKAR DEL RIO.

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C/S COMMENT: GCS HIGHLY INTERESTED [D] CUBA RETURN CUBA AS OBSERVER SINGLETON.