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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1962

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On December 10. 1962.

the live show presented at the Puerto Rico Theater, 2117 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., December 8, 1962. The show, which was sponsored by the Second Front of the Escambray and Alpha 66, was not as well attended as had been expected, but grossed approximately \$500. The proceeds of the show, as originally planned, were turned over to ARMANDO FLEITES, representative of Alpha 66 from New York City, with the understanding that it would be for the furtherance of Alpha 66 activities.

WCAU TV, Philadelphia, Pa., and a brief commentary by FLKITES was also filmed by WCAU TV, both of which were shown on the 11:00 p.m. news program that night by Channel 10.

and orderly audience, and there was no untoward activity.

On December 10, 1962,

advised that he attended the live show presented at the Puerto Rico. Theater the afternoon of December 8, 1962. The show was attended by approximately 300 individuals, which was somewhat less than the number expected. He advised the audience was orderly, and there was no evidence of any unsympathetic activity interested in thwarting the presentation of the show. WCAU TV, on its 11:00 p.m. news broadcast, Saturday night, December 8, 1962, presented film clips of the show and a taped

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commentary by ARMANDO FLEITES, in which FLEITES stated that Alpha 66 took full responsibility for the December 4, 1962, attack on Cuba. He stated the United States Government had no knowledge of and took no part in this activity, despite Cuban claims to the contrary.

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ro ; Director, FBI (109-584)(105-112098)

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SAC, New York (105-35253)(105-57297)(P)

SUBJECT: ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES IS-CUBA

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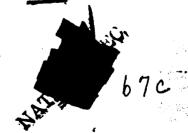
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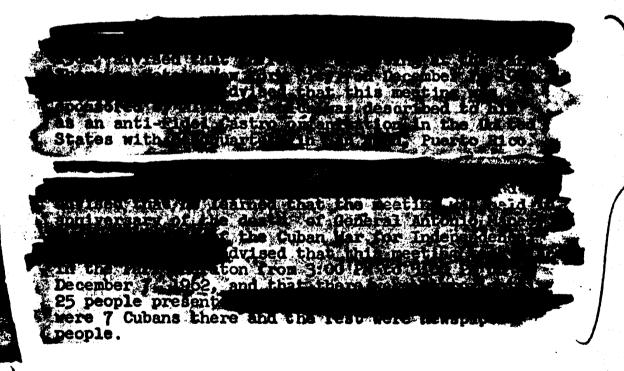


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New York, New York December 27,1962

Re: Anti-Fidel Castro Activities Internal Security - Cuba

> Operation Alpha 66 Internal Security - Cuba Neutrality Matters



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advised that he had spoken to the Cubans present and ascertained that the following were all associated with Alpha 66:



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also advised that in talking with the Cubans present at this meeting, he was informed that the Alpha 66 organization is now associated with the Second National Front Escambray (SNFE) which is headed by former Comandante Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo.

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New York, New York December 28,1962

Re: Anti-Fidel Castro Activities Internal Security - Cuba

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advised on
December 17, 1962, that a dance was held by anti-Castro
Cubans in New York at the Palm Garden, Eighth Avenue and
West 52nd Street, on the evening of December 16, 1962.

Stated that this dance was sponsored
by Alpha co and the Second National Front Escambray (SNFE).

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Veciana who heads the Alpha 66 group and Armando Fleites head of
Who heads the SNFE.

dvised that
former Major Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo of the SNFE was not
present at this dance.

than eight-hundred persons present at this affair, and tickets were \$2.50 per person, and the proceeds of the affair was to go to carrying out activities of Alpha 66 and the SNFE.

Stated that he had been told that three-thousand tickets had been sold for this dance, but many of the people did not attend but merely made their contribution.

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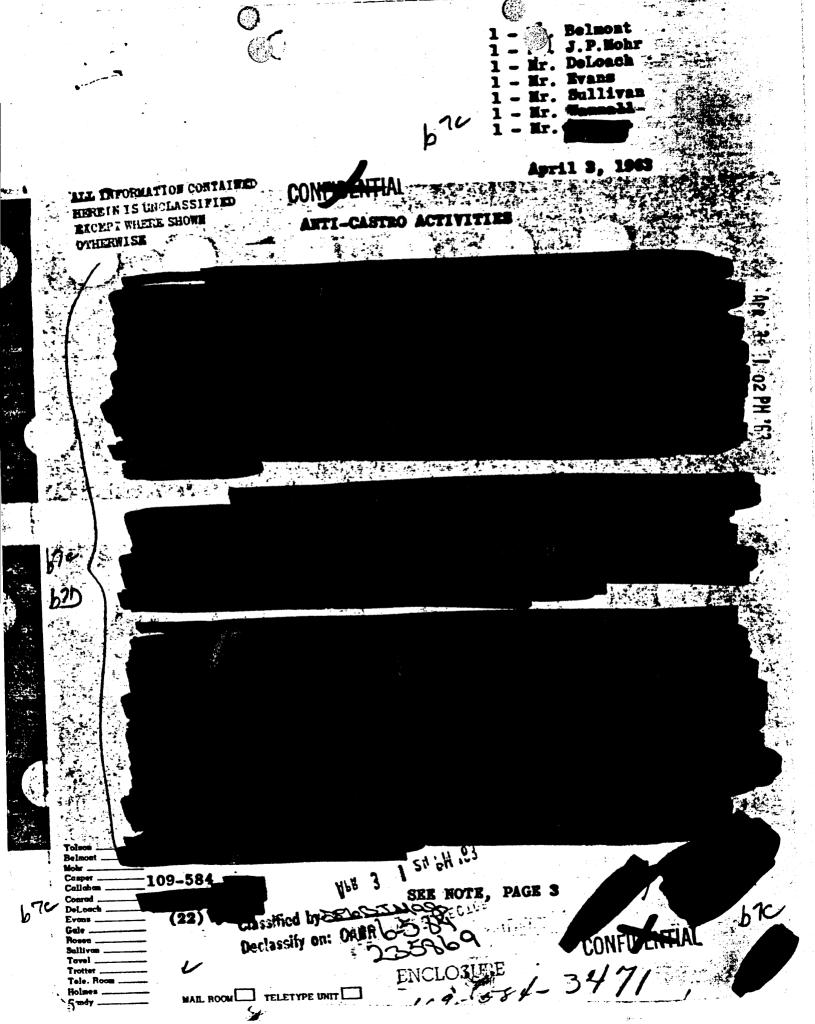
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also advised that at the dance liquor was sold by the bottle, and there were many cases disposed of during the evening from which the Alpha 66 and SNFE received a certain percentage.

advised that in his opinion the arrair sponsored by the Alpha 66 and SNFE was an outstanding fin ancial success for them, and those who sponsored it were so pleased with the results that they have tentatively scheduled another dance as a fund raising affair for the night of January 12, 1963, which will also be held at the Palm Garden.

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The Attorney General - Mr. Belmont April 3, 1 - Mr. J.P.Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans 1 - Mr. Bullivan 1 - Er Hannel Attached is a memorandum dated April 3 contains information concerning activities of anti-Castre individuals engaged in attacks against Cube. This memorands supplements our April 2, 1963, memorandum concerning such activities. Our investigations are continuing and you advised of pertinent developments. Enclosure - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure) - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley (Enclosure) Assistant Attorney General Separate letter being sent Mr. O'Donnell-at House Turnishing attached information. Copy also being furnished State Department, and interested agencies separately MAILED 2 APR 3 - 1963 COMM-FBI REC- 23 1 24 PH "63 Sellivon Tavel 11 APR 5 1963 Trotter FBI REC'D MA. I. UN





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presently assigned to Company D, First Battalion, First Training Regiment, United States Army Training Center, Fort Jackson, South Carolina, whose

received a telephone call at Fort Jackson on the night of March 27, 1963, from an unknown source in Miami, advising Fire Plane Unknown) Alvarez, led a raid on an island

of Cuba in a 28-root boat, possibly a Chris Craft, on the night of March 26, 1963, towing a rowboat full of a plastic explosive called C-3, which was armed with a contact fuse possibly of a chemical type. The lead boat crossed either the bow or the stern of a Russian freighter anchored in the harbor, the freighter and the harbor not being further identified by the source, and turned sharply causing the rowboat to be slammed into the side of the freighter with a resulting explosion. The freighter sank sometime during the night hours of March 27, 1963.

was further advised by the unknown caller that "the group has returned safely and the cancer has been removed".

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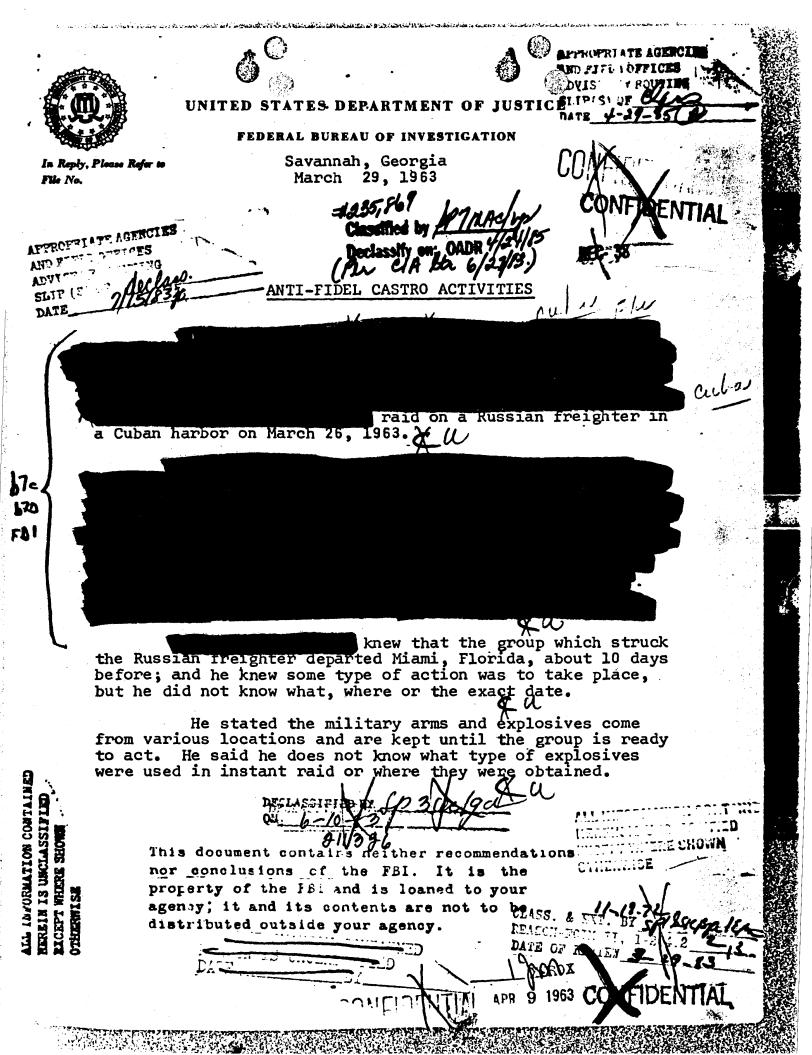
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He stated this group is composed of former members of Alfa 66 which broke off when the leader of that group, Antonio Veciana, absconded with all action funds of Alfa 66 and joined forces with Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo.

He stated there is no specific leader in Commando L-66, but each group has a leader when on a raid. He says usually the leader is the person who drew up the raid plans * ...

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He said, further, he knows nothing of Puerto Rican activities except that Alfa 66 is operating from an unknown location in Puerto Rico.

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He claimed that he knew nothing about the raid of March 26, 1963, except what he heard on the radio, and denied that he knows anything about the ammunition or explosives used in this raid or any other information concerning anti-Castro activities.

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He claimed he was personally concerned over telephone calls being made by directly to Havana, Cuba,

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advised on March 29, 1963,

that he entered the United States at

He denied any knowledge of Commando L-66 activities or anti-Castro activities operating from Puerto Rico.

He advised that he had discussed his "theory" as to how ammunition and explosives were removed to Puerto Rico but denied that he has any personal knowledge.

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The purpose of this investigation was to determine if information to the effect that anti-CASTRO groups in Puerto Rice are removing arms and explosives from Puerto Rice for raids was true. These anti-CASTRO groups are composed of both Cubans and Puerto Ricans. The arms and explosives are being removed from Puerte Rico by placing them in water tightbags or containers and towing them behind or under boats in such a way that a grapple type search around the vessel would fail to reveal their existence.

Naval Intelligence, 10th Naval District, San Juan, Puerto Rico, on March 29, 1963, advised that he believed that the above mentioned method of transporting weapons would be difficult as a line or other means of towing the contents would be needed. It was his opinion that when the vessel Navy was under way, the contents would plane to the surface and therefore be detected.

stated that Office of Naval Intelligence had no information that anti-CASTRO Cubans were collecting or sending arms out of Puerto Rice.

Operations, United States Lieutenant Coast Guard, San Juan, Puerto Rice, on March 29, 1963, stated that he believed this method of transportation could be effected if the containers containing the weapons and explosives could be weighted. He pointed out, however, that lines would be needed to attach the containers to the vessel in some way and could be detected,

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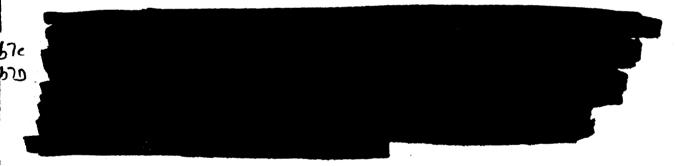
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Lieutenant stated that to his knowledge the Coast Guard had no information that Cuban exiles were attempting to transport weapons from Puerto Rico to any base or island in the Caribbean.

United States Customs, San Juan, Puerto Rico, on March 29, 1963, advised that ships departing San Juan Harbor are not automatically searched and it was his belief that the above method for transporting weapons was not needed to carry weapons out of Puerto Rico. It was his opinion that Customs inspectors on the docks would note lines which would be necessary for towing and securing the weapons or explosives to the vessel.

were obtaining arms in Puerto Rico.



ANDREW HAVRE, Major, 471st Intelligence Corps, United States Army, San Juan, Puerto Rico; on March 29, 1963, advised that that group had received no information that Cuban exiles were obtaining arms and explosives. He further advised he had no information that Cuban exiles were transporting arms and explosives out of Puerto Rico.

GEORGE H. DAY, Major, G-2, United States Army, San Juan, Puerto Rico, on March 29, 1963, advised that G-2 had no information that Cuban exiles were attempting to transport arms or explosives out of Puerto Rico.

Investigator, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), on March 29, 1963, advised that INS, San Juan, had no information that Cuban exiles were purchasing or attempting to transport arms or explosives out of Puerto Rico.

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stated that he had no prior knowledge that Alpha 66. Inc. planned any particular raid on Cuba.

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Alpha 66 is incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico se a nonprofit organization with objectives and purposes to help and orient Cuban refugees, promote fraternization, and social relations between the Cuban citizens who are in refuge in Puerto Rico; to organize social functions and carry out all the operations of an organization of nonprofit character permitted by law.

considered himself as a member of Alpha 66, Inc., only a sympathizer. He advised that Alpha 66's only activity in Puerto Rico was to obtain finances.

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interviewed on March 28, 1963, advised they were associated with the Cuban exile group Comandos L. 66, Inc. Each denied that Comandos L. 66 was attempting to obtain arms or explosives to be used on raids in Cuba. Each stated that their activities in Puerto Rico were restricted to the collection of money which was to be sent to the action group operating from a base somewhere in the Caribbean. Each denied that he had information that arms, equipment, or personnel for these raids had come from Puerto Rico.

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1emorandum DATE: May 21, 1963 DIRECTOR, FBI (109-584) BAC, CHICAGO (105-6033) (P) ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES 18 - CUBA Re Chicago letter to Bureau 5/17/63. . There are enclosed herewith for the Bureau twell copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) suitable for dissemination and captioned as above. One copy of this LHM is being furnished by registered mail to the Los Angeles, Miami, New York and Washington Field Offices because of their continuing interest in the anti-CASTRO activities. sources mentioned in the LHM are The Chicago Division will continue to follow and report anti-CASTRO activities in the Chicago area. Copy to; CIA/State/Rate) ONI/OSI/ACSI /custans/Com by routing alip for inf Bureau (RM) (Encl. 12) Date 5-16 by Los Angeles (Encl. 1) (105-6516) (RM) Minmi (105-1742) (Encl. 1) (RM) Wew York City (Encl. 1) (RM)

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who have furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 20, 1963, that an anti-Castro rally was held in the Engineer's Building, 205 West Wacker, Chicago, at 8:30 p.m., May 18, 1963. Approximately 600 persons attended.

Sponsors of the rally were the People's Revolutionary Movement (MRP) and the Second Front of Escambray-Alpha-66.
Local speakers included the emceey Orlando Miranda, and Sergio Prado, Luis Baralt and Dr. Arturo Olivera.

Alpha-66 military leader Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo addressed the rally. He reportedly admired President Kennedy and did not want the United States to become involved because of Cuban raids on a Russian ship unloading arms in a Cuban port. He requested the moral support of the United States to properly conducted raids that would give hope to both Cuban refugees and the underground within Cuba. He said the raids would continue despite the crackdown by the United States.

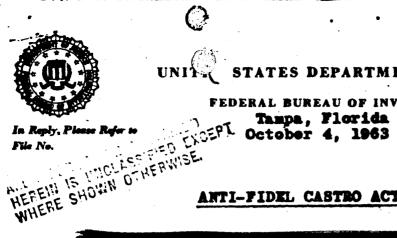
Gutierrez did not enlarge on his statement because of "security" reasons, but said the United States Army is training Cuban exiles and then releasing them. He declined to comment upon future tactical operations for the same reason.

Gutierrez has left Chicago for New York City.

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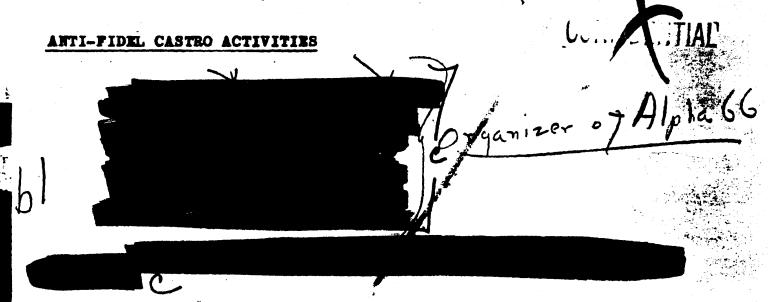
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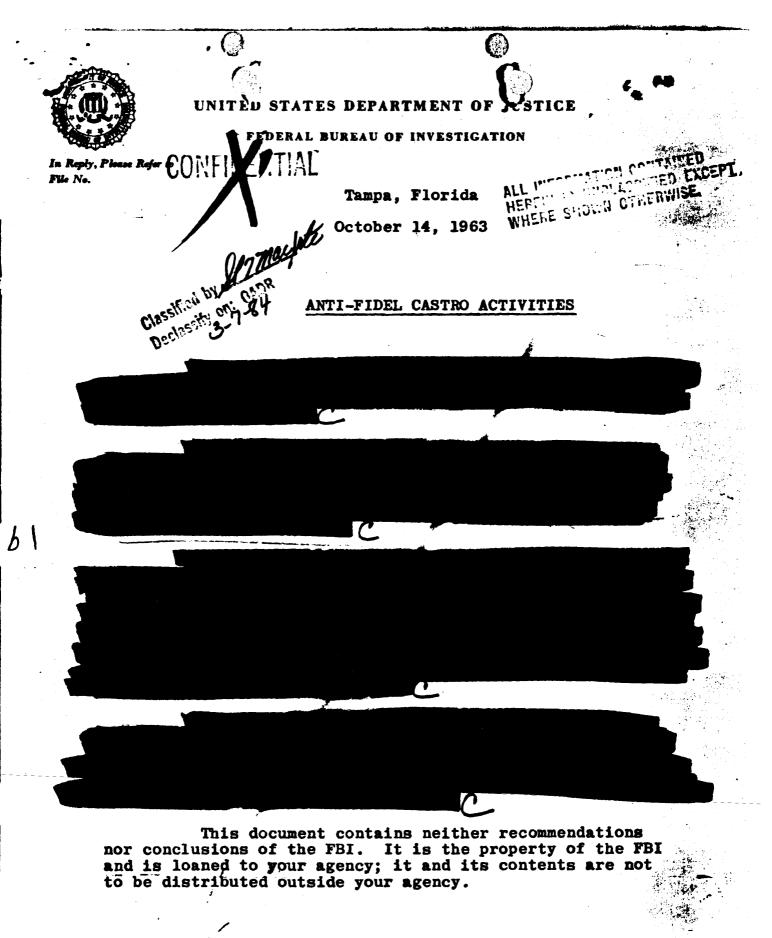
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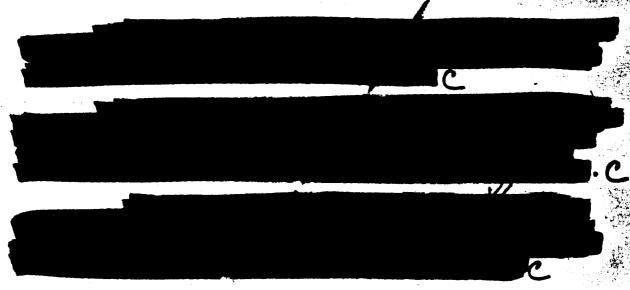
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