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TO : MID - Mr. Wellman *mm*  
 ARA - Mr. Mann  
 Mr. Miller

DATE: March 11, 1952

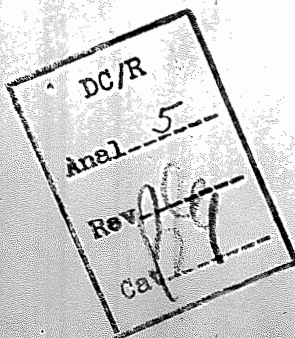
FROM : AR - Mr. Mackay *mm*SUBJECT: EFFECT OF CUBAN REVOLT ON PENDING CUBAN AND DOMINICAN  
 REQUESTS FOR F-47 AIRCRAFT.

At Mr. Wellman's suggestion, I called Colonel McGarrigle (131-77049) at 9:15 a.m. this morning to request that, in view of the change of Government in Cuba, the Cuban request for F-47 aircraft, which was approved by the Department on February 29, be held in suspense until further notice. Colonel McGarrigle stated that no approach would be made to the Cuban Embassy on this request until he received word from us. Final pricing and availability data, he explained, is being developed on this request, and I agreed that there would, of course, be no need to hold up on this provided it did not involve direct contact with the Cuban Embassy at this time. He stated that he had an appointment later in the day with Colonel Barquin, the Cuban Military and Air Attache, which he would cancel.

I informed Colonel McGarrigle, in reply to his query, that it was my understanding there was no connection between the Batista coup and political events in the Dominican Republic. I informed Colonel McGarrigle that the Dominican request should proceed without interruption, and that the letter offer to the Dominican Embassy on the 14 F-47's which are currently available should be delivered as soon as the contract had been prepared.

cc: Amembassy - Habana  
 Ciudad Trujillo

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