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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Directorate of Intelligence
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Central Intelligence
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT : Joint CIA-DIA Team Report on The
Military Posture in Cuba As It
Pertains to Strategic Weapons

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REF: [REDACTED] 2 July 1966

1. The subject of offensive weapons systems and nuclear warheads in Cuba has been under careful scrutiny for the last four months by a special CIA-DIA team. This team was established expressly for this purpose in early April through an exchange of letters between the Director of Central Intelligence and the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency. The team has studied all reports since late March alleging the presence of strategic missiles or nuclear warheads in Cuba and has concluded that there are no such weapons on the island. Prior to the establishment of this team, all reports since September 1962 were similarly analyzed by one or more CIA components.

2. [REDACTED] the referenced [REDACTED] report
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of nuclear medicine physicians, [REDACTED] in late May [REDACTED] were sent to an underground installation near Guanajay, Pinar del Rio Province, to conduct tests for possible radioactivity at the site. Military personnel assigned to the area reportedly were suffering from unspecified physical disorders.

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3. A review of cloud-free photography of the former Guanajay IRBM site from reconnaissance missions flown on 20 May and 14 June revealed no new construction and no evidence of [REDACTED] such as are reportedly associated with active nuclear storage sites in the Soviet Union. At the height of the missile crisis in October 1962 facilities for storage of nuclear warheads were under construction at several sites in Cuba -- including the one at Guanajay -- but there is no evidence that any of these facilities ever became operational.

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4. We know that the Cubans have built a number of underground bunkers, particularly in the western part of the island. One or more of these conceivably could be used for the clandestine storage of nuclear warheads. This possibility seems remote, however, since there are no nuclear weapons delivery systems in Cuba capable of hitting key US targets. Moreover, if such weapons were in Cuba they almost certainly would be under the most strict Soviet control. There is no evidence to suggest a concentration of Soviet technicians at any location at which nuclear storage would be expected.

5. The referenced [REDACTED] report is similar to other reports we have seen over the past four years. Our best intelligence [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] negates the continued allegation of the presence of nuclear weapons in Cuba.

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