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SUBJECT: Cartoon on Ambassador Bonsal's Appointment to Cuba

Enclosed herewith are clippings from the January 19 El Tiempo of a laudatory cartoon by Peter ALDOR concerning Ambassador Philip W. Bonsal's appointment to Cuba. The cartoon, entitled "The Credentials of Bonsal" shows Ambassador Bonsal presenting to President URRUTIA (with Fidel and Raul CASTRO standing behind him) a document entitled "Performance in Colombia - Philip Bonsal". Urrutia says, "This should be sufficient for us to have faith . . .", and Ambassador Bonsal replies, "But, Dr. Urrutia, it would be well to proceed as (they did) over there . . .".

Peter Aldor, of Hungarian birth but now stateless, is a regular cartoonist for the prestigious Liberal El Tiempo and is also syndicated by UPI. He has long been fiercely anti-Batista in his cartoons, but is now having second thoughts about Fidel Castro and company as a result of the current wave of executions in Cuba. He is staunchly anti-Communist.

For the Ambassador:

*Richard A. Poole*  
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Second Secretary

Enclosures:

Five copies of clipping from El Tiempo

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Las Credenciales de Bonsal

Por Aldor



—Esto debiera bastarnos para tener fe....  
 —Pero, doctor Urrutia, sería bueno proceder como allí.....