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Dear J. C .:

General Diaz Tamayo, at my request, attended the meeting at which Matthew M. Slepin, Dade County Chairman of the Republican State Committee, is reported by Diaz Tamayo to have said that he had Vice President Nixon's support in an effort to organize a movement against the Castro government.

He indicated that the Cubans should raise \$100,000, which Diaz Tamayo understood to be his fee and organizational expenses. Diaz Tamayo understood him to say that the U. S. government would make available \$200,000,000. I believe Diaz could have misunderstood this and it could have been \$2,000,000.

I am sending you a list of six of the people that attended that meeting. Diaz Tamayo says that twelve attended and all signed a document presented by Slepin.

I am enclosing a copy of the document of the Junta Cubana Anticomunista addressed to General Diaz Tamayo, in which no names are used and each person is assigned a number. Diaz Tamayo's number is C3-2. The man who signed it only initialled it and he had a number which was not reproduced by the copying machine. It was marked "Secreto" across the top, which did not reproduce either. I am enclosing a quick translation.

I am also enclosing a copy of a message received from our contact in Cuba. I have not yet seen Tony but expect to if he arrives. I did not know that Trujillo had started broadcasting again regarding invasion by Pedraza. He had agreed to discontinue this, but both Trujillo and Pedraza feel so discouraged that no help will be received from anywhere and that they are on their own that they are likely to make errors of judgment that can be costly in the long run. This can be prevented if some contact with Pedraza is maintained that will convince both him and Trujillo that Pedraza's efforts will not be completely wasted.

I told you that Trujillo had agreed to send the mercenaries back to their respective countries. I still believe this can be accomplished unless Pedraza and the 100 or more Cubans are given minimum encouragement.

"Working hard to meet planned schedule" means that Rubio and Rivero are trying to organize the political opposition that was planned. I do not understand the last paragraph, but if either Fabio or I receive this communication through any other source, I will inform you immediately.

I gave Mr. Dulles a copy of the statement presented by the two Cuban priests to OAS referred to in today's Miami Herald. I am sending you a copy for your records.

I believe it very important that we bring up from Cuba at least two of those that would sign the bonds. One of them would be Emilio Ochoa Ochoa and another one is Dr. Gustavo Cuervo Rubio. The other two could be Carlos Marques Sterling and General Diaz Tamayo. If the contact that we established could be used to advise Emilio Ochoa Ochoa and Gustavo Cuervo to arrange to come up to stay, it would be helpful. If you care to discuss this before we do it, you might call me on Monday.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,