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#### SPECIAL REPORT

The Cuban Student Directorate (DRE), in the face of the assassination of the President of the United States of America, John F. Kennedy, wishes to call to the attention of those in charge of informing the public opinion of the Free World the following fundamental facts:

1- Direct attacks to President Kennedy from Communist Cuba's Prime Minister Fidel Castro:

a) Fidel Castro (September 28) "And of course, he will never be able to face that problem (referring to the racial problem in the United States), not even that demagogue Kennedy who is only trying to use that issue to win votes. Because to these men, the most important thing is themselves, and not their Country. And to this man (President Kennedy) the presidency means more than the United States."

b) Fidel Castro (July 26, 1963) "We did it once before, we did it once, and may it serve as an example, may it serve to show the world how Cuba acts, and how the Government of the United States acts, how the ruffian Kennedy acts. May the world know that. We faced the mercenaries; the ransom has not yet been paid in full, and they are already being called to action for new aggressions."

c) Fidel Castro (July 26, 1963) "It is deplorable, it is deplorable indeed that the people of the United States has to suffer the consequences of such stupid, disgraceful, and destructive policy. Because that gentleman (President Kennedy), as most of the latest presidents of the United States, is a horseman riding from error to error, from stupidity to stupidity."

2- Statements of Fidel Castro, Prime Minister of Communist Cuba, during the reception offered by the Brazilian Embassy in Havana, celebrating the anniversary of Brazil's Independence (Miami Herald, Sept. 9, 1963, page 1 column 3).

#### FIDEL SAYS CUBA WILL FIGHT BACK

Prime Minister Fidel Castro said Sunday "U.S. leaders" would be in danger if they helped in any attempt to do away with leaders of Cuba. Bitterly denouncing what he called recent U.S.-promised raids on Cuban territory, Castro said:

"We are prepared to fight them and answer in kind. U.S. leaders should think that if they are aiding terrorist plans to eliminate Cuban leaders, they themselves will not be safe."

The bitterest Castro attack yet on President Kennedy was made early Sunday morning in a rambling, informal post-midnight dissertation following a reception at the Brazilian Embassy.

"Kennedy is the Batista of his times... and the most opportunistic American President of all times," Castro said.

Fulgencio Batista was the Cuban dictator ousted by Castro's revolution. The United States, Castro said, "Is fighting a battle against us they cannot win."

"Kennedy is a cretin," Castro asserted, "and a member of an oligarchic family that controls several important posts in the government. For instance, one brother is a senator and another, attorney general..... and there are no more Kennedy officials because there are no more brothers."

Castro also disclosed that Cuba was not yet made up its mind about signing the limited nuclear test ban treaty drawn up last month in Moscow.

A recent dispatch from Moscow indicated the Russians themselves have been puzzled by Cuba's silence in connection with the treaty. Speculation there was that Castro was holding out for more Soviet economic aid and threatening to cast his lot with the Red Chinese.

The Prime Minister did not explain which points in the treaty were being given most consideration. But he said:

"We are taking into account the current world situation, which of course involves the Caribbean situation, which has been deterioration in the last few days due to piratical attacks by the United States against the Cuban people." (less important information continued on page 2A comun 1).

3- Declarations made by President Kennedy before the Assembly of the Inter-American Press Association on Monday, November 18, 1963.

"It is important to restate what now divides Cuba from my Country and from all the American countries: it is the fact that a small band of conspirators has stripped the Cuban people of their freedom and handed over the independence and sovereignty of the Cuban nation to forces beyond the hemisphere. They have made Cuba a victim of foreign imperialism, an instrument of the policy of others, a weapon in an effort dictated by external powers to subvert the other American Republics. This, and this alone divides us.

As long as this is true nothing is possible.

Without it everything is possible.

Once this barrier is removed we will be ready and anxious to work with the Cuban people in pursuit of those progressive goals which, a few short years ago, stirred their hopes and the sympathy of many people throughout the entire hemisphere.

No Cuban need feel trapped between dependence on the broken promises of foreign communism and the hostility of the rest of the hemisphere. For once Cuban sovereignty has been restored we will extend the hand of friendship and assistance to a Cuba whose political and economic institutions have been shaped by the will of the Cuban people."



4- During the visit of the President of the United States to Dallas, Texas on November 22, 1963, rifle shots put an end to his life.

5- According to the evidence found, Mr. Lee H. Oswald was accused of the murder. The Cuban Student Directorate (DRE) submits the following data on the background and activities of the prime suspect of the assassination of the President of the United States, John F. Kennedy.

Lee Harvey Oswald, 24, born in New Orleans, studied at Warren Eastern High School. In 1956 he joined the Marine Corps. In 1959, Oswald requested to be released from service adducing he had to support his mother. In 1960, he was dishonorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps Reserve.

In 1959, Oswald traveled to the Soviet Union where he got married. He gave up the United States citizenship and applied for the Soviet, but was only able to obtain a resident status in that country. Oswald stayed in Russia until 1962, when he requested and obtained permission from the United States Embassy to return to the United States. Back in the United States, he lived in Fort Worth, Texas, and from there went to New Orleans to organize a delegation of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

On August 21, 1963, Oswald and the Cuban Student Directorate delegate in New Orleans, Carlos Bringuier, held a debate through the WDSU radio station of that city on account of a public disturbance occurred in Canal Street a few days before.

On August 9, the delegate of the Cuban Student Directorate was walking through the streets when he saw an American spreading Castro's propaganda and holding a sign that read "Hands off Cuba" and "Send food and medicines to Cuba, not commandos." Three days before, the same man had visited the store where the offices of the Cuban Student Directorate are located. He asked for propaganda and offered his cooperation as a trainer in military tactics as he had once been in the Marine Corps.

Because our delegate, Carlos Bringuier, found him suspicious, he did not give Oswald a definite answer. Days after, he again visited our offices where this time he left a book entitled "Guide Book for Marines" with his name and army serial number written inside.

When our delegate found Oswald spreading on the streets Marxist propaganda published by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, they started an argument that ended up with the arrest of Oswald, Carlos Bringuier, and his two companions Miguel Crus and Celso Hernández. They were taken to the police headquarters and released on a bail bond of \$25 cash. The trial was held on August 12.

When evidence on Oswald's attempt to infiltrate in our organization was presented, the judge charged him with a \$10 fine for public disturbance and for attempting against the dignity of the city of New Orleans. Carlos Bringuier was declared innocent.

On account of this event, a debate on WDSU Radio Station was scheduled. The debators were Lee H. Oswald, Carlos Bringuier, and Ed Butler, from the Information Council of the Americas. Bill Sturkey, acting as moderator, introduced Oswald as the Chairman of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee in New Orleans and explained that the main offices of said organization were in New York. We have tape recordings of the debate and other information that we will furnish to those who request it. Sturkey affirmed that the Fair Play for Cuba Committee was "widely known as the main voice of the Castro Government in this country."

During the debate, Mr. Ed Butler from the Information Council of the Americas, said that recently attempts were made to organize a local chapter in New Orleans and that the only member of the group to have revealed himself publicly was Lee H. Oswald, secretary of the local chapter of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, as Oswald himself had declared in the trial.

Oswald denied his link to the Communist Party, but he declared himself a MARXIST, adding that he was only a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

He gave affirmative answers when asked if he had visited the Soviet Union and stayed there for three years, if he had married a Soviet citizen and had a Soviet-born son.

When questioned about the number of members belonging to his organization, he answered that he could not give the exact number, adducing that this was a standard operating procedure in a political organization consisting of a political minority to safe-guard the names and number of its members. Oswald was then asked why would he not reveal this information if the Republican Party, at present a minority political organization, had not hesitated to give the names and number of its members. He answered saying that the Republicans are a established political party representing a great many people, that they represent no radical point of view, they do not have a very violent and sometimes emotional opposition as the Fair Play for Cuba Committee does.

In the debate it was clearly established that the Honorary Chairman of the Committee is Waldo Frank. Butler mentioned an article from the "New Masses" of September 1932, where Mr. Frank gives his reasons for becoming a Communist.

Oswald explained that V. T. Lee, was the National Director of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. He had recently returned from Cuba and was being interviewed by the Sub-Committee Senate of Internal Security. According to the Washington Evening Star of October 31, 1959, Oswald had handed in his passport to the American Consul and had refused his American Citizenship. From the Washington Star of November 16, 1959, we learned that the USSR denied him the Soviet Citizenship, but granted him a resident status.

6- Statements by Fidel Castro, Prime Minister of Cuba's Communist Regime, on November 23, 1963, narrating the facts that took away the life of the President of the United States, John F. Kennedy:

The following are excerpts from the fundamental parts of a speech that expresses despair and lacks solid argumentation.

a) "The Administration of the United States during Eisenhower's presidential term, as well as Kennedy's, did not practice a friendly policy towards us. The policy of both Administrations was characterized by its aggressive, hostile, and implacable spirit towards our Country. Our Country was the victim of economic aggressions intended to provoke the ruin of our economy and the hunger of our people. It was the victim of all sorts of attacks, attacks that shed the blood of our countrymen who have lost their lives defending themselves from the attacks of the Yankee Imperialism, and not only that, its hostility and aggression towards us carried our Country to the brink of war...we have been victims of a constant hostility from the United States."



b) "Occasionally, in the middle of a Civil War, in the middle of a fierce repression, the REVOLUTIONARIES ARE FORCED TO DEFEND THEMSELVES, ARE FORCED TO KILL TO DEFEND THEMSELVES."

c) "No, the International Policy of the United States cannot be defended; its policy of aggression, its imperialistic policy of violation, of violation of the rights of other nations, of intervention in the internal affairs of other countries, of repression, of blood, of alliance with the most reactionary sectors of the world, of participation in bloody wars against the peoples that fight for their freedom, as is the case of South Viet-Nam. Its attitude towards the Latin American Countries and its attitude towards us, its international policy, is in no way defensible."

d) In his speech, Fidel Castro tries to present the assassin of the President of the United States as a:

1. A madman, a mentally sick person. This is not true since all his life story and activities prove that this individual was in complete use of his mental faculties. Dallas Police's cross examinations also contributed to prove this.

2. A "Cabeza de Turco". By this he meant that the accusations linking Oswald to the Fair Play for Cuba Committee were part of a plot to blame his regime of the assassination of President Kennedy. But this charge is absurd. The assassin is an individual of a well known Communist and pro-Castro filiation as is proved by the information previously in this report.

3. An "instrument of the right wing" and the "reactionaries" of the United States. Another absurd charge that tries to deviate the attention from the presented facts. In the data submitted in this report in connection with Lee H. Oswald, the link between this individual and the Communist and pro-Castro elements, members of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, organization supported and directed from Cuba by the governing Communist Regime, is totally demonstrated. If this individual is an instrument as Castro denounced, he could only be the instrument of the Communist Regime of which Castro himself is the Prime Minister.

e) Trying to redeem himself from the evidence that makes him the brain of a crime against the United States President, Fidel Castro, on his public address on November 23, tries to prove that Lee H. Oswald, the assassin, is not a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. He declares that not even in Dallas, nor in New Orleans, nor in the entire State of Texas, there is a chapter of this organization. But these arguments are worthless against the proofs presented by the Cuban Student Directorate showing that the murderer was a member of the referred organization, that is financed and directed by the Cuban Communist Regime. These proofs are revealed in the facts concerning Lee H. Oswald given in this report.

f) He alledges: Why would Lee H. Oswald, a sympathizer of our Communist Regime and a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, try to join the anti-Castro organization, the Cuban Student Directorate, as a military trainer? And we quote him, "...why the devil a supposed sympathizer of the Cuban Revolution would want to join a piratical anti-Castro

organization. This argument lacks of solid base because this individual did not try to join our organization to train our men or help us oust the Castro regime, but in order to seek information and serve as a spy for the Castro regime. And this is demonstrated by the fact that in that moment Oswald was a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee; a few days afterwards, he was found distributing pro-Castro propaganda in the city of New Orleans and furthermore, he attended a debate at a radio station in that city and tried to defend the Cuban Communist regime.

g) We want to make a final statement. No Official Authority of the United States has accused Fidel Castro of being the author or of participating in the death of the President of the United States. However, he dedicates a whole public address to deny his vinculation with the assassination. We recall a principle of the Roman Penal Right that states: " HE WHO EXCUSES HIMSELF, ACCUSES HIMSELF."

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