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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: AMWHIP/1 Meeting, New York City, 23 October 1962

1. Meeting Time/Place. Subject was contacted by letter (see file) requesting a meeting. He answered in the affirmative by letter to the assigned accommodation address. The undersigned subsequently went to New York on 23 October, contacted Subject by telephone at his office, and arranged for a meeting at 1330 at The Forum restaurant, on 48th between 5th and 6th Avenues. The contact took place without difficulty. After lunch, Subject and the undersigned went to the former's office in order to verify some information related by Subject at lunch. The undersigned left Subject's office (see file) at 1610 and returned by air directly to Washington.
2. Purpose of Meeting. To maintain contact with Subject, pay him the sum of \$400.00 to cover the remainder of expenses incurred by Subject in the AMLASH recruitment last summer in Europe, and to determine additional information as described below in this report.
3. Travel and Financial Arrangements.
 - A. Travel. Subject stated that he was willing to meet with the undersigned or another representative in New York, Washington or any other city...whichever would prove most convenient for us. He stated that business was a little slow just now, and as a result, did not mind any reasonable travel to effect meetings. We thanked him for this consideration, and stated that perhaps in the future, this might prove most helpful to us.
 - B. Finances. Subject was paid the sum of \$400.00, which he accepted in lieu of some \$409.00 as stated above. A receipt was obtained. This amount represents \$299.20 for hotel bills and incidental expenses in Paris for Subject and AMWHIP/1, and the balance for a plane ticket for AMLASH Prague-Paris and return.
4. Contact Arrangements. Subject was instructed to continue using the accommodation address he has been provided (see Subj's file) in the event he wishes to communicate with the undersigned or his office. He has been informed that it may not be possible for the undersigned to be in contact with him for several months, but that he would be contacted by another member of my office. This person would continue to write to Subject signing the letters "Bill Thompson", and will identify himself in the event of any telephone calls as a "friend of Bill Thompson's". Arrangements for meetings can be made by letter, telephone, or a combination thereof.

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Personal Meetings. Subject is willing to meet anyplace or time (within reason) with the undersigned or a representative from this office. The case officer should introduce himself as a "friend of Bill Thompson's" and be prepared to produce his half of the physical bona fide (attached herewith) upon request from Subject. The bona fide is one-half of a yellow typewriter delivery ticket, upon which have been drawn two approximately parallel lines made in Subject's presence. It is noted that Subject probably will not ask for this, judging from past experience with him. Please, also note that Subject does know the undersigned by his true name, so that after initial use of the name "Bill Thompson" as the recognition phrase, use the true name of the undersigned in discussions.

In order to aid the case officer in spotting him (although pictures of Subject are available in his file) Subject has been instructed to make the meeting carrying a copy of TIME magazine folded in half with the cover outward.

5. Items of Interest.

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A. AMLASH/1's PAA Girl Friend. AMWHIP was not able to give us the full name of the French-born, Miami-based Pan-American stewardess who is, according to Subject, a very good friend of AMLASH, and the one whom AMLASH was trying to get to come over to Paris last August. Subject did know, however, that her first name was Loretta, and promised to call Miami to determine her family name. This, he will mail to us at the accommodation address. The party in Miami that Subject will contact for this purpose is Sylvia Vilarello, of 3502 SW 15th St. Miami. The relationship of Subject with this girl (Sylvia) is not clear to us, but he made it obvious that discretion would be appreciated in the matter.

B. Alternate AMLASH/1 Commo Channel. We advised Subject, in answer to his question, that we had heard from AMLASH, but that his reply had not been very satisfactory and more important, he had not provided an address at which he was to receive mail from "Jaime" (Earl Williams). Upon hearing this, Subject volunteered that he had learned from several sources that AMLASH had visited them on four occasions asking if they had any word from Subject for him. These were Subject's cousin, [Ivan (also spelled Yuan) GONZALEZ ("Fomento 608 Palatino Cerro - Havana")] and [Marcelino (Marzo) Artine Vega (603- or 605 Subj forgets which) Estrada Palma entre Mayia Rodriguez y Sola Stos Suarez]. He asked the former three times, the latter, once. Subject says he trusts both men explicitly, and has used them before to get letters handcarried to AMLASH. The "courier" from the States in this case is [Ricardo Bordo] an old friend of Subject's and [long-time employee of the Italian Embassy in Havana]. Bordo gets the letters in Miami either from Subject himself or from another trusted friend of Subject, [Miguel Gallo (telephones TU 3-3324 and TU 7-5307) the first being his office, the second, his home]

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F. Roberto ECHEVARRIA, Commercial Secretary, Ottawa. Subject said he had met E. only once and that was in Canada during his trip there last summer just before he went to Helsinki and Paris for the AMLASH operation. He said he didn't know where E. was just now, but thought he was in Canada. We asked him to discreetly ask his business partner, who was making a trip to northern New York State and/or Canada this weekend, to make a phone call to the Commercial Mission in Ottawa, and to inquire for E., and/or when he would be back, etc., if in fact he was not there. He can use Subject's name or an alleged business matter as the pretext for calling. He will advise us on the outcome.

G. Pending Trip to Colombia. Subject stated that he planned to make a trip in the near future to Colombia to buy some emeralds. He will arrange the trip in order to avoid being away from home on 7 November, the anniversary of his brother's death, and which day he understandably wishes to be with his mother and father. The undersigned is not absolutely sure of this date, but if it is not correct, it is not far off. A check of our files might clarify this point.

H. Passports for Sale. Subject said he had recently bought two Cuban passports in Miami for two friends in Switzerland, whose passports had run out of pages. Subject is concerned over this market in passports and stressed the point to us. He said he paid \$50.00 apiece for them. The wholesale price is \$25.00, Subject informed us. He said he would be glad to get some for us if we desired. We said we would advise him. He did not know whether he could get any diplomatic passports or not, but he would discreetly check on this. Passports are available used or blank. He thinks the blanks are the real McCoy and not poor imitations.

6. SECURITY Considerations. There were no incidents of a security nature to report. The undersigned had coffee in Subject's offices while the latter made a call to Miami re BORDO's expected visit to Miami. We chatted briefly with Subject's father and one of the partners. No questions were asked of the undersigned whatsoever, and the conversation was polite only. 06