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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Special Group CI Meeting -- 31 January 1963.

1. Defense presented a movie on the danger of Communism for use in Latin America. No action was taken by the Committee. Defense intends using the movie through their Caribbean Command. NOTE: The most interesting part was a development through which the motion picture projector and the voice recorder, which was a small photograph, were operated from an ordinary jeep battery. Therefore the demonstration could be set up at any remote place even though power was not available. I think this development should be noted by the Agency as it is quite possible that such a facility would be useful for us in certain remote areas.

2. DCI reported briefly on the Panama meeting, emphasizing the points made on the first page of my briefing notes of January 31st. There was no attempt made to go over the situation on a country-by-country basis. Secretary Johnson asked that Mr. Cottrell be briefed more fully and this was agreed by DCI.



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Mr. Bell raised the question of paying expenses for students, indicating that he felt if the countries involved paid the expenses of their assigned students, they would have greater interest in the Academy. The Attorney General confirmed my observation, stating he felt it would be wrong to move -- we should devote our attention to perfecting the Academy. General Taylor stated he felt that 320 trained officers each year should be adequate and advised against expansion. No decision was made, but the consensus was in favor of leaving the Academy where it is.



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5. The paper on the use of Third Countries personnel was noted. In this connection the questions were raised as to the so-called tribes in Latin America. DCI was asked if he had any report on tribal organizations. I agreed to look into the question and report back by memorandum.

ACTION: This should be undertaken by DD/I.

6. The status report on paramilitary training of youth groups, etc., in South Viet Nam was noted. No action was required; however, the subject came up later in the Special Group 5412, covered in a separate memorandum.

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