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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

FROM: David D. Gries
Director of Congressional Affairs

SUBJECT: Your Breakfast Meeting on 15 October with
Senator Graham of Florida

You are scheduled to meet with Senator Bob Graham (D., FL) on 15 October at 0800 hours for breakfast in the Director's Dining Room. We extended the invitation because the Senator is influential among contra supporters. More recently, we have learned that he is particularly interested in Cuban affairs. Also in attendance will be Bob Gates, Dick Kerr, [redacted] and myself.

Senator Graham, in his first term in Congress, is serving on Committees for Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, for Environment and Public Works and for Veterans Affairs. Based on somewhat limited Agency contact over the past nine months, the Senator appears to be well disposed toward CIA and has sought us out on several occasions for intelligence briefings, particularly on Cuba and Latin America. He has discussed publicly his concerns over leftist trends in Latin America and is associated with legislation affecting this area, particularly the Caribbean Basin.

In July, Senator Graham was invited by the Senate Intelligence Committee to attend a session with Cuban defector General del Pino. The Senator queried the General at length about the possibility of another Mariel boatlift. Given Senator Graham's known interests, we anticipate that a discussion of Cuba will be a focus of the breakfast.

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Principal Talking Points:

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