

BASE, 8-I-6I.

TO : Bornie.

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

On Sunday the fifth at 12:00 hrs. the following men planned the escapade: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has been brought here for interrogation, the other two are still at the 'Pequena Finca'.

[REDACTED] says that this was only an escapade, for they only wanted to have a few drinks and some fun; then return to the Finca. They had four or five Quetzales that Diaz had changed for the same amount of dollars, and they left at 14:00 hrs. by taking a path behind a hill to the right of the main entrance.-There is a post on that hill-.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had green pants and a pull-over on; [REDACTED] had a complete green uniform on. [REDACTED] says he was not armed, and neither were the others to his knowledge.

On the road they took a bus to Cocales, but they did not find women or alcohol there, so they asked where they could find those luxuries, being informed that the closest was Patulul and so they took a bus that was headed there. -They did not speak to anyone on the way-.

They arrived at Patulul at 16:00 hrs.(same day), and headed for the nearest bar; there they drank with some women and were picked up by the police and put in jail, because they had no identification-papers on them.

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The Chief of the Police (he doesn't recall the name), sent an urgent telegram to Guatemala City, receiving no answer he decided to take them to Mazatenango. -During all this time they kept insisting that they were employees of an American Co. at the Air Base at Reu, out for a good time without a pass.-

At Mazatenango they kept to the same story, even when they were taken before the Governor. The Governor ordered that they be taken before Col. Castillo and Col. Aguiar at the Headquarters of the Fourth Military Zone. [REDACTED] feels that the Cols. realized they were cubans, but they stood by their previous story-. Col. Castillo sent a cable to Reu., and on Tuesday at around ten a.m. a Guatemalan officer arrived to take them back to the 'Pequena Finca ' [REDACTED] does not remember the name, but he beleives it was the Second in Command of the Guatemalan troops stationed at San Jose).

None of these three men knew each other previously to their joining this organiza tion.

They had no contact with [REDACTED]

Yours respectfully,

JOSE RAUL VARONA.

G-2- OF THE BRIGADE.

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