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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

ATTENTION: CWH

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SUBJECT: Use of Military Missions in connection with  
PBSUCCESS

1. At a conference with [ ] 1600 hours, 10 December 1953, I was given to understand that the matter concerning the chiefs of the two Military Missions in Guatemala City was still not settled. However, [ ] expected to see Gen. [ ] G-3, tomorrow, and he expected that the issue would then be resolved.

2. I explained to [ ] that it looked as if March 1954 would be a critical month in respect to the PBSUCCESS operation and that it would be preferable if the two Mission Chiefs could remain in their present posts until, say, July 1954. Currently, they are scheduled to be replaced in March 1954 as already reported elsewhere. Their successors, however, would be of very limited value as new men in their posts just at a time when PBSUCCESS could take advantage of the local know-how and contacts of the present Chiefs, Cols. Hanford and Hutchinson.

3. [ ] agreed with this viewpoint and said he would discuss it with Gen. [ ]

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