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6 January 1953<sup>4</sup>

2003  
MEMORANDUM FOR: CWH

SUBJECT: FBSUCCESS

1. On the afternoon of 27 November 1953 Mr. [ ] and Mr. [ ] of WHD stated to me that they expected to travel to [ ] on the following Monday to confer with [ ] in connection with Project FBSUCCESS, but were seriously confused and concerned regarding their orders for the interview. Mr. [ ] stated that, although definite commitments had been made to [ ] regarding financial support due on 1 December for operations already initiated in Guatemala, [ ] had told him that no funds were to be provided until he had decided at an undetermined future date, possibly 1 January. Mr. [ ] on the other hand, stated that he had been instructed that funds would be forthcoming in increments as required for specific operational use. [ ] had rechecked with [ ] and was told that his orders held.
2. In order to avoid confusion as well as a possible breach of faith with [ ] the matter was referred to Col. J. C. King, who decided to discuss the question with [ ] and the undersigned. The meeting was held in Mr. [ ] office. Although [ ] appeared reluctant to discuss the problem he eventually agreed to honor the commitments made to [ ]
3. Following the meeting, after Col. King, [ ] had departed, [ ] stated to me that he wished to make several points very plain: first, that he strongly resented Col. King's having attended the meeting or having been brought into the discussion; second, that he had no intention of being "pushed into a corner" or confronted with a "power play" involving operational matters which were exclusively subject to his [ ] jurisdiction.

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