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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT

: JMARC Meeting with DDP

PARTICIPANTS: Messrs. Bissell, Barnes, Flannery, Esterline, Reynolds, Eisemann, Drain.

- 1. The meeting was held to bring JMARC personnel up-to-date on Saturday's special meeting of the Special Group and on the DDP's thinking resulting from that meeting.
- 2. Mr. Bissell felt that meeting had sufficiently reviewed the outstanding problems to permit the following conclusions:
  - a. We have to be ready to evacuate TRAV of ground trainees, at least temporarily in the case of an as yet unfixed OAS inspection.
  - b. We can plan to use Fort Randolph for up to 200 trainees either for temporary holding or for longer term training.
  - c. We can anticipate the use of a U.S. installation for holding evacuees and possibly also for longer term training.
  - d. There is no objection to continuing air training at MADD nor to the use of Guatemala or Nicaragua for basing air strikes.
  - e. Even if TRAV is evacuated, it could well be continued in use for the training of Guatemalans.
- 3. There was some discussion as to the cover arrangements which might be arranged for any Z. I. installation chosen for a training area. After reviewing the probable expense of activating a secure area and the likely difficulty of creating a "refugee" cover, the balance of the discussion was concerned with Saipan, about which it was agreed:
- a. JMARC would promptly ascertain from DDS and OTR what facilities were available and what problems existed in regard to its possible use to train up to 600 men.
  - b. DDP would explore the various facets of air evacuation from TRAV to Saipan, including cost, time, and security. In regard to the latter, it was suggested that JMCLEAR aircraft and crews might evacuate to Del Rio with AF 130's transchipping therefrom.

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- 4. Concurrently, JMARC would continue to explore the most promising Z.I. sites previously ascertained, and an additional unused Army post on Florida's west coast.
  - 5. The DDP suggested an evacuation date of about 1 December.

Richard D. Drain C/WH/4/P&P

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here. 6. Too many but this was inevitable. President has been very adroit in issuing so many statements that everyone is confused. 7. No particular problem. Guatemalan units were trained at the several sites so that Cubans could be removed and any congressional, OAS, or international investigators would find only Guatemalans.

Considering mature of an difficulty imposing required discipline on Cubans, in think we have been most fortunate in the way the program has worked out thus far.

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	YOUNG AIRFORCE OFFICERS AT USE OF CUBANS AND SHOOTING OF	
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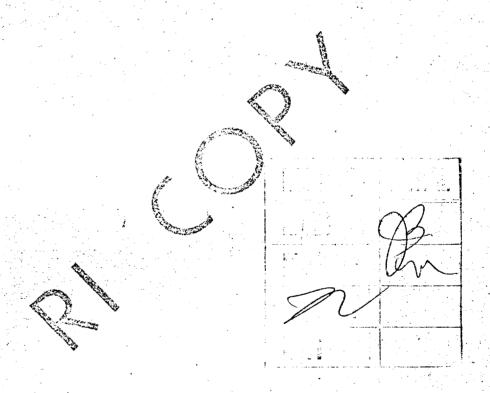
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