

Notes from Talbot

### Chapter 3

Takes position that Kennedys did not conspire to eliminate Castro via assassination. Remove him at first but not that route. This had been one of the areas of contention in the whole assassination debate.

His point; In the final days of the Kennedy administration the K's found themselves more at war with the CIA than with the Castro regime.

Mongoose: was to disrupt and unsettle the Castro regime but had no assassination component.

Landsdale's leadership in Mongoose was more for show than to effect a change. . .

Landsdale; vampire of the Philippines; elimination by illumination signaling the Second Coming of Christ. Mongoose was to give the illusion that the White House was dedicated to the over throw of Castro.

CIA and JCS was unimpressed with Landsdale and the program. Talbot insists that Mongoose was a fraud in the campaign to get rid of Castro.

p. 103 Helms and his hatred of the Kennedys. . . Wm. Harvey was Helms' man to deal with getting rid of Castro. This was independent and removed from the Kennedys.

Pp 105-6 Sherman Kent on the long term prospects of any successful invasion of Cuba. Scenario he painted was Vietnam on a smaller scale but still a disaster.

Pp 107-8 Lemnitzer and Northwoods and JFK's finally removing from the JCS and "promoting" tor head of NATO to get him out of the country.

p. 109 Helms goes ahead independent and of JFK and sets in motion within the CIA a campaign to get rid of Castro via assassination. The point here is that Harvey ties in with Rosselli. This was after RFK's May 1962 meeting with Sheffield

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Edwards and his promise that all contact with Mafia would end. . .

Pp110-112 Helms before the Church Committee. . . . sliding and blaming Harvey for the assassination efforts against Castro. How he lied to McCone. . . .which was easy because McCone was a fish out of water as DCIA . . .

CIA acts against Castro that were vicious but did not have JFK's approval or awareness . . . .pp. 114-115.