

PANORAMA
KENNEDY

SOUND ROLL

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Int In 1963, were you a leader of Alpha 66, the Anti-Castro Cuban military group.

Yes I founded Alpha 66 ~~xxxxxx~~ at the beginning of '61.

Int What were the aims of that group.

Well it's, we had ~~xxx~~ ? sides, we tried to defeat Castro because Castro at the beginning was our leader but after he was a Communist he betrayed us and began to work with Russia.

Int Were you ever involved in any of the efforts to kill Castro.

Two times I tried to kill Castro, one was in 1961 in Cuba (PHONE)

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Int Were you ever involved in any of the attempts...

Were you ever involved in any of the attempts to kill Castro.

Yes, two times, first in 1961 I was in Cuba fighting ?? we tried to kill him in Palace in ? Palace and the second time was 10 years later in Chile when ~~w~~ he was visiting Chile for one month, we had a gropp trying to kill him there in Chile.

Int Today we know that the CIA was working with the Mafia, had an agreement with the Mafia in attempts to kill Castro, did you know about that at the time.

Well really the CIA tried to ? at different times, with Mafia and with other people~~x~~, he is very smart it is tough to kill him.

Int How many times do you think the CIA did try to kill him.

At least 12 really. The people thinks ? 25 but I think at least 20, 12 time they tried to kill Castro.

Int

At that time as lead, I'll go again...
At that time as a leader of Alpha '66, were you working in close co-operation with the Central Intelligence Agency.

Well you know the ? is very difficult because he receive the help from Russia and now Cuba are trying to get help from the United States and the ? the CIA in '61, '62 '63 was ?? against against Castro and they ? with weapons ? many things that I do ?

Int

In August/September 1963 just about 12 weeks before President Kennedy was killed, where were you.

Well I was leaving United States at that time, I remember at the beginning of August, the first day of September I visited Dallas because I received a message from ? Bishop, he worked for the intelligence services here in ?

Int

Maurice Bishop.

Maurice Bishop yes.

Int

He was what, he worked for the CIA.

Well here in the United States there are many, there are some different agencies, I don't know if he work for the CIA or if he worked for another ? intelligence service but he was working ?? as an intelligence service man.

Int

I'd like to ask you that question again because of the language difficulty just for a moment um where were you in August/Sept 1963, just 12 weeks before the President's assassination.

I was living here in the United States and I visited in that time Dallas for 2 or 3 days, trying to get contact with Maurice Bishop, Mr. Bishop was my contact with the intelligence service here in the United States.

Int You were asked to go to Dallas by your American Intelligence case officer.

Yes more or less, he called me and he, many times he called me we make appointments or meet in different cities here in the United States.

Int And his name was Maurice Bishop.

Maurice Bishop.

PAUSE

Int Before the assassination, at that time in Dallas, did you ever see or meet Lee Harvey Oswald.

Well really I didn't meet him, I meet I met Mr. Bishop but in that time Mr. Bishop was with me telling how Lee Oswald ?

Int I'll put the question a different way um when you went to Dallas to see your CIA case officer, did you see Lee Harvey Oswald.

Yes I saw him with Maurice Bishop, I ? have been over in Dallas er in a meeting of 10 or 15 minutes with Mr. Maurice Bishop in Dallas in that time..

Int Can you describe that meeting, what were the circumstances .

Well it really, the purpose was to discuss some different jobs with Maurice Bishop and Lee Harvey Oswald was present. I don't know but I think he was really, Lee Harvey Oswald was a friend or acknowledge, acknowledge, but sometimes I am sure he was more than a friend for Maurice Bishop.

Int Now what was the meeting about, what role was Oswald playing.

Well he was quiet and silent all the time, I was talking with Maurice Bishop about ? and something to, some we are going to ? and we discussed with ? some of the details about the underground and some commandos attack to Cuban coast.

Int But there was no doubt about it, Oswald was in the company of a CIA officer, an American intelligence officer.

An American intelligence officer. I dunno if he worked for the CIA or for another intelligence service you know because here there are many or some intelligence agents.

Int What makes you so sure that it really was Oswald you saw in Dallas.

Well you know the same as an artist you can, I am sure because the his picture many times in the paper after the death, the assassination and it was only 2 months before and I am sure because in my profession there are things that we learn and we seek to recognise people sometimes I show people 10 years ago and they can recognise because I ? this matter to to my kind of work, the work that we need to, to learn to recognise people.

Int You mean in your training and your experience in intelligence in military affairs.

Yes we need, this is a principal thing, where sometimes you see ? people in one city and you can see 5 years later and you need to recognise him, you recognise him.

Int And you feel certain Oswald was working with, or associated with American intelligence.

Well at least he was associated with Maurice Bishop and Maurice Bishop was an intelligence, he was working for the intelligence service, I doubt doubt he was working with him.

Int Now after the assassination of the President, Maurice Bishop, your CIA contact, I'll start that again.

After the assassination of the President, Maurice Bishop your American intelligence contact, asked you to contact your cousin in Mexico City - why¹/₂

Well my cousin ? was working, and he was working with the ? Govt, he works for a ? intelligence service. Maurice Bishop knowsx very well er ? relation, that we are relatives and sometime we discuss the possibility that ? work for us as a ?, in that time...

Int You discussed the possibility that your cousin should work for you.

Yes.

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After the assassination of the President you were asked by your American intelligence contact to get in touch with Mexico City, who with and why.

Well ?, ? is my cousin and he's working with ? more than 15 years, he was working for the Cuban embassy for the UN Intelligence Service in Mexico City...

Int You mean for Castros...

For Castro intelligence service. Er Maurice Bishop knows k that we are cousins, sometimes he is trying to convince (YOUR COUSIN) the ?

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? he discussed with me sometimes about the possibilities that works for us, at that time he request me he made a request to me do you think if we can offer money, a great deal of money to ? he can accept that he works with Lee Harvey Oswald in Mexico, he helps me sometime, well we can try to talk to him and offer him money, said that he was with Lee Harvey Oswald.

Int Let me get this quite straight, your American Case Officer was asking you to get in touch with your cousin (YEAH) who was working in Castro's embassy and to persuade him by using money, to say that he had seen Oswald at the Cuban Embassy in Mexico.

He was talking with him about the Kennedy assassination.

Int To say that Oswald had been to the Embassy and had talked about his plans for the Kennedy assassination.

Yes sir.

In other words, the American Intelligence Officer was asking you to ask your cousin to lie.

Well I don't know if he lied, I have doubt it, I doubt it but I think he was trying to bribe him to make a bribe to ask because he want, he wants er he ? he works with Lee Harvey Oswald but I don't know ? if he believes that he was with him or or if he trying to get for him a lie, I am not sure but it is possibility that he was trying to make it that he lies about the situation because ? carefully that ? I doubt that he was ?? Lee Harvey Oswald was in Cuban embassy in that time. And many people think that he was not there.

Int So you think that the American case officer, the American Intelligence Officer was trying to make up a story.

Yes. I think so.

Int Now that story would involve oswald, falsely perhaps, with Cuban Communist connections. Why would the CIA be trying to do that.

Well they are trying, Cas, people believe that Castro was behind the Kennedy assassination, possibly.

Int Now you have worked with American intelligence and the CIA for a long time in the past erm is that the sort of way they do operate.

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In ? all the weapon that you can use are good weapons and many times when the people was killed not only the CIA, all the intelligence service through all the ? were trying to blame on other people.

Int The intelligence services tried to blame things that happened on other intelligence service...

On other intelligence service. Sure. When we planned to kill Castro in Chile for example we tried that Russia were blamed for his murder.

Int You tried to get the Russians blamed .
Right.

Int Now have you testified about all this to the senate intelligence committee.
Three times in Washing, in Washington DC testifxying about this case.

Int And are you now talking to the new congressional committee investigating the President's assassination.
Yes in the next weeks perhaps 2 or 3 weeks I am going, to receive a sapena to go to the house.

Int And do you swear that everything you told me and that you will be telling the committee on the same lines, is true.
Yes sure ? sapena when you ? it you need to swear. And this is the thing I talk to them before and I am going to repeat then.

Int Why did you never give this information to the Warren Commission way back in 1963 and 64.
He never called me, they never, I never received a sapena or I never received a call and in my profession you know this is a risk to tak, now it is 15 years but in that time it is better to be quiet and to be silent.

Int Are you not at all afraid now.
I do not understand what you say.

Int Are you not at all afraid to speak now.
Well really I have now more years, near 49 years old I am not afraid but when you are young sometimes you are afraid.

Int Have you recently received any warnings that somebody might be trying to kill you.
Well I received 4 weeks ago a warning from FBI they call me, they have a meeting with one of the , his officers.

Int From the FBI
Of the FBI, and they warn me, they warned me that they have enough information that Castro has making, he is doing a plot I ? me to kill me.

Int That Castro is trying to kill you. Do you...

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Int Since you started speaking about this matter some months ago um have you received any indication from any American intelligence agency that you should stop talking, that you should shut your mouth.

Yes, the FBI called me 4 weeks ago and I got a meeting with one of the case officers in his office; they warned me that they know enough information about a plot to kill me and he mentioned the plot is from the Cuban Govt. the Castro Govt.

Int But do you believe that is so.

I think it is possible but if I am fighting against Castro 15 years I ~~am~~ am trying to kill him 2 times, I am now, I never forgot my people that ? and he knows that I am fighting all the time, I guess he ? possible he is trying to kill me, why not.

Int But you don't believe that because of what you have now been saying that there is any danger from the American side, from American intelligence.

Well it all things are considered (?) but I have also information from all my ancestors that really there are ? ~~aliens~~ agents, communist agents here trying to kill not only me also other people.

Int Do you believe that Anti-Castro cubans were involved in the assassination.

I don't think so. I believe that really er Kennedy was killed by a by a through a conspiracy, by conspiracy.

Int By conspiracy.

But I don't believe the cuban er no Castro, no Cuban ? in the Cuban ? in the Kennedy assassination.

Int Who do you believe was involved.

I think he had er many.

Int I'll ask you the question againx...

Who do you believe was involved.

Well really I don't know who who was involved but in the hist of this country it is not the first time that a President was killed, there are 3 or 4 or 5 times, 3 or 4 President were killed, they are here, people fighting for the power, for the power and Kennedy was a young, he had some foe, some enemies in in this country. ?? people.

Int Why do you believe there was a conspiracy.

Well I ? investigators* first I have enough erk er er judgeme to believe he was killed by ? and besides I don't, because ma ? investigators that he knows very well the case and they are sure a ? was ? at that time.

Int May I ask you about the case of Sylvia ? do you know about that case.

I know her, I know her.

Int What do you believe about the Sylvia ? incident.

Well Sylvia ? I don't ? dine with her, she was leaving Dallas she was writing this ? the Cuban side against Castro and she told me that she received a visit to ? Lee Harvey Oswald and other American people, he ? make his name...

COMMENT

Int I thought so...

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Int Would you describe the Sylvia ? episode to me.

Well Sylvia ? at that time was also*, she was fighting against Castro, the ? was in ?

Int In Cuba.

m she mentioned me and she also mentioned to the Warren Commission that in her home she received a visit, 4 people, one America she/~~only~~ remember his name er ? Cuban exiles and Lee Harvey Oswald was ? talking about the ~~xxxxx~~ Far East and ? Castro.
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Int This is Lee Harvey Oswald in the company of anti-Castro exiles...=

Anti Castro exiles yeah. Talking about the the fight agains Castro, that time he was really co-operating with the ?.

Int

Now how can we explain this because Lee Harvey Oswald in New Orleans was supposed to have been pro-communist, pro-Castro.

You know in this ? of things this ?? intelligence service many things can happen, do you know who is who and sometimes you know some people ? he was in Russia sure but really he was a communist, it is a tough question because if they are from CIA ? in Russia, surely he has ? assign the people believe that they are communists because if you are working for an intelligence service you can appear opposite that ? for whom you are working.

Int

Do you believe that at that time somebody was trying to frame Lee Harvey Oswald, to set him up.

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Well if you read carefully (?) when he was arrested by Dallas police he mentioned this ?, I am ? remember the war exactly but...

Int

Can we take it again when the plane's gone...

PLANE

Do you believe that at that time someone was trying to set Lee Harvey Oswald up, to frame him.

I think so, I think so, I believe he was in the conspiracy, I can't forget his words when he was arrested by the Dallas police I mentioned I am a ?k I believe really he was a bastard.