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Dear Hal,

Received your brief note about the "Friends" committee. I've checked but so far have no info on them. They look like a CIA front. The giveaway on this is the inclusion of the word "Democratic" in the naming of the group. This is a typical tact the CIA would employ in setting up such a group. My hunch is that it is a respectable group in which a lot of "name" people belong but who do little if any work.

I do have one suggestion as to how to locate or find more info on them. I suggest you contact the Cuban Freedom Committee in Washington. I'm enclosing a copy of some of their materials. Notice that they have a broadcasting station in New Orleans. This might be interesting to look into by itself.

I'm having some of my people look up any info they can get on this and they'll report it to you. I'll do the same for you.

Best,
Hal