

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
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Cuban political exile, JOSE ANTONIO GONZALEZ  
~~LANUSA~~, age 24, Intelligence Officer for the DRE at Miami,  
and resident at 8530 S. W. 27th Lane, Miami, Florida,  
stated on November 23, 1963, that on the evening of  
November 22, 1963, he had been in telephonic conversation  
with PAUL BETHEL and DIANA GONZALEZ, an officer and  
secretary, respectively, for the Citizens Committee for  
a Free Cuba, located in Washington, D. C. LANUSA said he  
told BETHEL that during the first week of September, 1963,  
FIDEL CASTRO, at a reception in the Brazilian Embassy in  
Havana, Cuba, had allegedly remarked to unknown diplomats  
that the leaders of the United States would be killed if  
they planned or engaged in aggression against Cuba.

LANUSA denied that he had told the representatives  
of the Citizens Committee for a Free Cuba that "if the  
United States causes him (CASTRO) difficulty, he (CASTRO)  
has facilities to 'knock off' the United States leaders".  
LANUSA declined to name his source of information, claiming  
it was a friend who had contact with some diplomat.

On November 24, 1963, a representative of another  
Government agency which conducts intelligence investigations  
at Miami, advised that the sources of LANUSA's information  
regarding the alleged threat by CASTRO against leaders of  
the United States were the "Miami Herald", published at  
Miami, Florida, edition of September 9, 1963, and a weekly  
bulletin put out by Cuban exiles at Miami under the name  
"Voice of Cuba", in its edition of September 13, 1963.  
The representative stated that no diplomat was involved as  
source of the information, and the threat by CASTRO was  
covered by the press in the United States.

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The weekly bulletin report on Cuba in its issue of September 13, 1963, contained an item which translated from the Spanish, stated as follows:

"CASTRO took advantage of a reception in the Brazilian Embassy, Havana, to berate the leaders of American governments...Specifically the Red leader announced reprisals against Democratic leaders should any of his (CASTRO's) accomplices suffer personal aggressions."