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I am puzzled by all the sanctimonius hand-wringing going on about the revelation that the CIA in the early 1960s may have developed a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro. After all, we conducted a military invasion of Cuba in the Bay of Pigs episode and imposed a naval blockade on that country at the time of the missile crisis. If Cuba were considered a sufficient threat to the seconsidered a sufficient threat to the security of the U.S. to warrant these stern measures, the development of a plan to dispose of its military leader would seem to have been a logical and not at all surprising exercise. John C. Reid.

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