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Dear Ed,

The magazine from which you clipped the CIA Plots Vs Castro story is not indicated. The story itself makes me wonder. Some of the accounts set forth are remarkably like others of which I know where I know and trust my sources. This leads me to believe the piece is a potboiler written by a married freelancer or for some purpose not immediately clear. For example, the machinegun attack on the wrong jeep I've known about from a former (for real) CIA guy who was there, had trouble with ten afterward, only it was not a machinegun but a bazooka from ambush, and the reason it failed is because Castro shifted jeeps. I think if Ronke had been involved, my source would have known and told me. Ronke, according to all the mercenaries I've interviewed, was all mouth and no performance. According to them he crashed in Honduras. Hemming told me of this, as did others, and Hemming is among those who searched. Davis, formerly (reputedly) Raul G's pilot, flew that plane. 10/63.

The attempt at assassination prior to the Bay of Pigs makes sense, but none of the other accounts of dependance upon a popular uprising does, for there never was any popular anti-Castro majority.

The "Rex" was well known. It was ~~xxxx~~ repeatedly on TV in full color. So, if it was used, those birds are really rodents-lemmings. If that part is true, were they not insane, including the Agency?

The Gubela story is an almost exact duplicate save for name and date of the incident leading to the organization of Alpha 66. The story dates this incident in 1966, which again makes me wonder.

And, I've ~~never~~ never heard of Horton Peterson.

So, I wonder is this but another potboiler or is it that somebody wants a bit of attention to parts of it, like getting people used to the idea that the CIA wanted Castro (assassinated (without doubt) and that Oswald was a red who sought vengeance.

What is the magazine?

The kitchen chart is cute. It sure as hell was "disorderly"!

Thanks,
HW