

From stories on speech at Commonwealth Club 25 Jul by
Sherman Kent, "onetime [CIA] director for the Office of
National Estimates":

"Among CIA's 'melancholy times,' Kent listed the U-2
incident .. the more recent Pueblo capture by North Koreans; and,
under the late President Kennedy, the abortive Bay of Pigs
invasion of Cuba."

"Referring briefly and cautiously to the U2 and Pueblo
incidents, Kent said that 'if we had not taken these and other
risks that you know about - and fortunately many you don't know
about - the cost to this country would have been a thousand times
greater in terms of financial cost."