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May 20, 1965

BY LIAISON

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

There is enclosed a memorandum containing information of possible interest to the President concerning comments made on May 20, 1965, by Juan Bosch, deposed President of the Dominican Republic, and Jaime Benitez, Chancellor - President, University of Puerto Rico.

It is to be noted that Benitez said he was ready and willing to go to Santo Domingo to assist in negotiations, and that Benitez departed Isla Grande Airport, San Juan, Puerto Rico, in an Air Force aircraft on a classified mission ordered by higher authorities.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

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DOMINICAN SITUATION

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past learned on May 20, 1965, that Jaime Benitez, Chancellor-President of the University of Puerto Rico, contacted Juan Bosch, deposed President of the Dominican Republic, and said he (Benitez) was ready and willing to go to Santo Domingo to assist in negotiations. Subsequently the source advised that Benitez was waiting at the airport.

Later today, May 20, 1965, the Office of Naval Intelligence, Department of the Navy, San Juan, advised that Benitez departed Isla Grande Airport, San Juan, Puerto Rico, at 3:25 p.m., May 20, 1965, in an Air Force U-3 aircraft with no flight plans or destination listed.

Subsequently Major Thomas Burke, Office of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Ramey Air Force Base, Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, advised that there is only one operational U-3 aircraft in Puerto Rico. According to information received from Ramey Air Force Base Operations Office, the U-3 aircraft departed for San Juan and a secret destination on a classified mission ordered by higher authorities.

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