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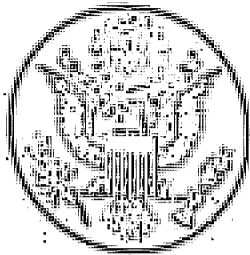
This paper from Stevenson is, I think, the most reliable report ^{yet} on Castro's intentions. I have checked again on the alleged shooting at Guantanamo and I am informing Governor Stevenson that there is just no truth in it as far as we can tell after the most intensive inquiry, and that he can pass to Lisa Howard the most categorical assertion that we have been unable to find evidence of any such episode and that there is most emphatically no plan of provocation.

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To: The President

From: Adlai E. Stevenson *ASL*

Lisa Howard reports that on Sunday, June 21 in Havana Castro told her to tell me that there will be no crisis until after the November elections; that nothing will happen to our planes, and that we do not need to send him any warnings. He will use utmost restraint and we can relax.

Castro said that all of our crises could be avoided if there was some way to communicate; that for want of anything better, he assumed that he could call her and she call me and I would advise you.

On Thursday night, June 25, he telephoned her in the United States while she was on an airplane returning from Arizona. On Friday morning, June 26, he called her in New York very much agitated and reported that a Cuban had been shot by a United States Marine at Guantanamo Base, and asked her to give me the following message:

"Please call Governor Stevenson and tell him about the shooting, that the Cuban is in the hospital and Castro thinks he is going to die, that this is the second time there has been shooting at the base. He wonders if it is part of a deliberate plan of provocation or an isolated act."

I told her that I had no knowledge of the incident and that speaking for myself I felt that I could assure her that there was no plan whatsoever of deliberate provocation at the Guantanamo Base.

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