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FROM		TO		DUTY OFFICER
HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE	
0001	21 Oct 62	2400	21 Oct 62	Captain William D. Houser, USN

RECORD OF EVENTS

TIME	EVENT	ACTION TAKEN
0030	Adm Anderson came by to discuss a draft message which had been received from State. In accordance with the procedures which had been set up earlier at the White House, such messages were to clear State and, in Defense, either Mr. McNamara or Mr. Gilpatric and Gen Taylor or Adm Anderson. Adm Anderson stated that there were some changes which the Navy was proposing; however, since Mr. Gilpatric had turned in, I did not call Mr. Gilpatric but instead, awaited receipt of the message.	
0135	An officer messenger from Navy brought in a draft of the message with suggested changes.	After reading the message, I took it into Mr. Gilpatric who approved it. I then notified both the Navy staff and Mr. Lloyd of State. This message (Log Nr <u>608</u> ) was then dispatched by State.
0840	In response to calls to DIA, the DIA briefers came down and briefed both Mr. McNamara and Mr. Gilpatric on latest developments and findings.	
1345	While Mr. McNamara, Mr. Gilpatric and Mr. Nitze were having lunch, Mr. Nitze came out and asked that we get the Chiefs views on a proposal concerning the Jupiters in Turkey and Italy.	I delivered this message to the JCS who were in session but the answer was not returned until later in the afternoon. The request for views and the reply, JCSM 800-62, are in the file (Log Nr <u>609</u> ).

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1100	Captain Houser, LtColonel Berry and Colonel Roberts visited Captain Kidd who supervised a tour of Flag Plot and the Navy's special intelligence spaces. Purpose of visit was to orient Colonel Roberts and Colonel Berry and to discuss the administrative operations involving Sec Def, Dep Sec Def, and CNO offices.	
1400	Received from JCS, paper "Military Measures to Support US Objectives in Cuba". Three copies received. Log Nr. <u>400</u>	One copy - Sec Def; one - Dep Sec Def; one - Journal file.
1725	Dep Sec Def de-briefed Mr. McNaughton, Mr. Yarmolinsky and Colonel Roberts on the meeting held earlier at the White House. P hour is set for 7 p.m. Monday. Cabinet will meet beforehand. Sec Def will conduct background press briefing subsequent to Presidential address. Colonel Roberts obtain copies of the draft speech from ASD (PA) and distribute to McNaughton and Yarmolinsky. "Quarantine" is the expression to be used describing the naval operation and not "nuclear quarantine". Dep Sec Def indicated that, in addition to the CONAD Rules of Engagement, we needed similar instructions on: (1) the blockade, (2) Attack on merchant ships, (3) Guantanamo, (4) Interference with surveillance flights. Colonel Roberts was directed to see that these papers were	Done 8 p.m.

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1800	21 Oct 62	1815	21 Oct 62	

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1815	<p>prepared for delivery first thing the following morning.</p> <p>No fixed decision has been made on mobilization. Colonel Roberts was to check with ASD(M) on the planning for specific action regarding mobilization.</p> <p>Dep Sec Def discussed with Colonel Roberts, JCS paper "Military Measures to Support US Objectives in Cuba". Dep Sec Def directed that the Joint Staff be advised of those modifications to the document which are considered warranted for clarification of intent. Of particular concern to Mr. Gilpatric was the fact that between the time of an isolated event and an attack on Cuba, there would be a stage of escalation. If a patrol ship comes out and makes as though to attack, it will be sunk by aircraft. If a MIG comes out and makes as though to attack a merchant vessel, US ship, or aircraft, it will be destroyed. If a firing battery opens up on Guantanamo, that battery will be destroyed.</p>	<p>At 6 p.m. General Twitchell advised of this requirement and at 8 p.m., Captain Kidd also was advised of the requirement.</p> <p>6:30 p.m. - Mr. Paul contacted at home. He indicated the Saturday memo prepared for Dep Sec Def gave a concise picture of mobilization planning. He confirmed that Service plans, properly prepared, were on hand.</p> <p>Admiral Riley and General Reynolds advised of Dep Sec Def's comment. Both appeared very cognizant and appreciative of this requirement. Dep Sec Def advised of action taken at 7:20 a.m., 22 October.</p>

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HOOR 1820	DATE 21 Oct 62	HOOR 2400	DATE 21 Oct 62	

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1820	<p>However, there will be no hot pursuit to destroy the base or the source from whence the attack came.</p> <p>Received from Captain Kidd, memo of information dated 21 Oct, Subject: Command and Coordination of Matters Relating to a Blockade of Cuba and the Defense of Guantanamo Bay. Memorandum outlines details of administrative handling of papers and is a follow-up to oral discussion between Military Assistants and Captain Kidd earlier in the day. Log Nr. <u>401</u></p>	<p>Copy 5 received by Colonel Roberts placed in Journal file.</p>
2025	<p>Notes on October 21, 1962 meeting with the President. Received from Col Berry, copy of Mr. McNamara's Memorandum for Record. Log Nr. <u>42</u></p>	<p>Entered in Journal file.</p>
2030	<p>Received from Col Berry, Memorandum for the Record, Subject: Recording Actions Pertaining to Cuba. Paper outlines the administrative procedures for use within immediate office of the Secretary of Defense. Log Nr. <u>43</u></p>	<p>One copy to Capt Houser; one copy to Journal file by way of Colonel Roberts.</p>

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0001	21 Oct 62	2230	21 Oct 62	Lt. Col. Sidney B. Berry, Jr.

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1130	SecDef, DepSecDef, CJCS, Gen. Sweeney to White House for meeting.			
1430	SecDef, DepSecDef, CJCS to White House for meeting.			
1705	SecDef returned from White House meeting.			
2120	MajMcCord, ISA, asked to provide by 0700 Mon. cys of (1) OAS Resolution a. condemn Cuba b. Soviet surveillance (2) DelEsta OAS Resolution (3) NY OAS Resolution.			Delivered at 2230.
2125	Maj F. DIA (57353) asked for folding map by 0700.			<del>Delivered at 2230</del>
2130	SecDef to bed.			
2200	Notes on 211130 Oct mtg w/Pres sent to McGeorge Bundy.			To Maj Brock for delivery to W.H. copy to Deputy.
2205	Mr. Nitze requested permission to inform MajGen Gray of Cuba situation so that he can be enabled to consult with State personnel re Berlin-Cuba.			Permission granted.
2208	Adam Y. states S. Pittman will come in early Mon. morning to see JCS paper on DefCons.			
2230	Admirals Anderson and Ricketts bring msg. to CINCLANT for SecDef's approval. SecState has approved.			

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2245	Elite Eyes only msg from State.	Not worth showing SecDef
2325	Admirals Anderson & Ricketts leave.	

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1 SEP 54

REPLACES AGO FORM 01483, 1 SEP 51,  
WHICH WILL BE USED UNTIL EXHAUSTED.