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On October 7, 4 p.m. Mr. [redacted] Bahama Islands, advised Consulate General two Americans, Frank WILLIAMS and Paul HUGHES, along with two Cubans, Horacio CANIZARES y Padron and Abelardo Amelio MORRERO y Ortega, detained Georgetown, Great Exuma, Bahamas as undesirable aliens, believed nefarious adventurers illegally in Bahamas, who implicated expeditionary force recently landed Baracoa, Oriente, Cuba. These men jailed pending transfer Nassau on October 8 for interrogation, possible deportation. Colonial Secretary stated Williams and Hughes left US, Miami, purpose rendezvous landing craft which deposited 27 men Cuba. Believed landing craft on way back from Cuba to US met by Williams and Hughes for refueling.

[redacted] advised Consulate General men to be transferred Georgetown to Nassau Saturday October 8, requested strict secrecy pending interrogation intruders, would call Consulate General immediately their arrival Nassau for participation in proceedings. Desired Consulate General not oppose deportation Americans and cooperate in returning Cubans to US if proven they embarked US and had been residents or parolees.

Saturday October 8

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Consulate General contacted US Immigration Service officer Nassau International Airport who had admitted Williams and Hughes to US by pre-flight inspection. US Immigration Officer in Charge Makela had full details incident. He would not admit Cubans, called INS Miami, related full details.

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