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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

General Taylor asked me to pass the following information to the Director, Joint Staff:

Mr. McNamara is turning over in his mind the desirability of some such gambit as this: The U.S. should declare that it is watching the arms build-up in Cuba in the interests of the Free World and will overfly Cuba as required to observe such build-up. We would then overfly Cuba with photographic aircraft and/or drones in order to check on the build-up. Presumably, we would use the force necessary to carry out the mission.

General Taylor would like an informal reaction from the Joint Staff by 8:00 am, Tuesday, 9 October. He specifically does not want papers generated within the staff.

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Executive to the Chairman

cc: Joint Staff (2)
Col. Steakley

Proctor (1) for suspense

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