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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Mr. Donovan's Trip to Cuba

At Mr. Bundy's request I passed to Bob Hurwitch the following Presidential reactions to the attached memorandum:

- 1. The President does not agree that we should make the breaking of Sino/Soviet ties a non-negotiable point. We don't want to present Castro with a condition that he obviously cannot fulfill. We should start thinking along more flexible lines.
- 2. Donovan should resist taking his week-iong walk along the beach with Castro until we have had a chance to give Donovan a very good briefing. We may want to give Donovan some flies to dangle in front of Castro.
- 3. The above must be kept close to the vest. The President, himself, is very interested in this one.

Gordon Chase

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