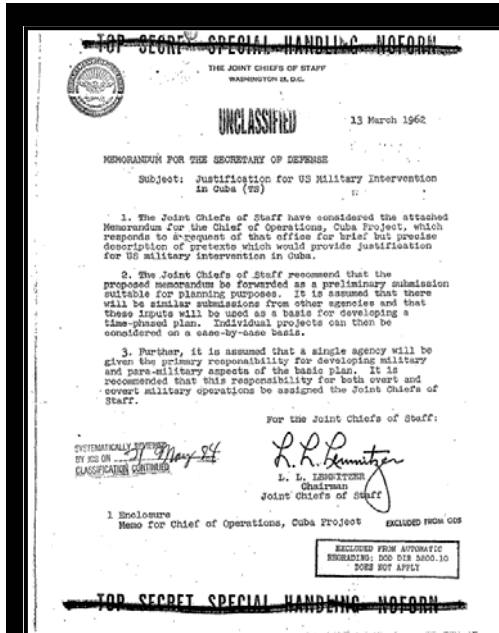


Operation Northwoods

A US PLAN TO FAKE TERROR ATTACKS ON CITIZENS TO CREATE SUPPORT FOR A CUBAN WAR



In 1962, revealed in secret and long-hidden documents which only became public due to a late 1990's freedom of information request, the US Joint Chiefs of Staff drew up and approved plans in the name of anti-communism — Code named **Operation Northwoods** — in which they proposed launching a secret terrorism campaign against their own country in order to trick the American public into supporting a war against Cuba.

Having had the written approval of the Chairman and every member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, this plan called for innocent people to be shot on American streets; for hijacking of aircraft; for boats carrying refugees fleeing Cuba to be sunk on the high seas; for a wave of violent terrorism to be launched in Washington, D.C., Miami, and elsewhere. People would subsequently be framed for bombings they did not commit and using false evidence and the attacks would be blamed on Castro, thus giving the excuse, as well as the public and international backing, they needed to launch their war.

" It is possible to create an incident which will demonstrate convincingly that a Cuban aircraft has attacked and shot down a chartered civil airliner enroute from the United States. The destination would be chosen only to cause the flight plan to cross Cuba. The passengers could be a group of college students off on a holiday.

An aircraft at Eglin AFB would be painted and numbered as an exact duplicate for a civil registered aircraft belonging to a CIA proprietary organization in the Miami area. At the designated time the duplicate would be substituted for the actual civil aircraft and would be loaded with selected passengers, all boarded under carefully prepared aliases. The actual aircraft would be converted to a drone.

The drone aircraft and the actual aircraft will be scheduled to allow a rendezvous south of Florida. From the rendezvous point the passenger-carrying aircraft will descend to minimum altitude and go directly into an auxiliary field at Eglin AFB where arrangements will have been made to evacuate the passengers and return the aircraft to its original status. The drone aircraft meanwhile will continue to fly the filed flight plan. When over Cuba the drone will be transmitting on the international distress frequency a "MAY DAY" message stating he is under attack by Cuban MIG aircraft. The transmission will be interrupted by destruction of the aircraft which will be triggered by radio signal. "

Taken from page 10 of the Joint Chief of Staffs' Memorandum to Secretary of Defense McNamara outlining a possible false flag scenario for Operation Northwoods (emphasis added).