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discussed at one time or another in the National Security Council, or they at least knew about them at that time, because the major activity that was just getting underway at that time was very much aware of the development of the capability to move against Cuba.

Mr. Baron. And what was the nature of your awareness of that development?

Mr. Dillon. We discussed it quite frequently. And it was the setting up of camps in Central America that trained Cuban exiles, and the development of plans for their use. They were rather general in nature, but of which I was aware of in some detail. But at that time we all knew that those plans would not be ready and the capability wouldn't be ready until sometime next year. So if a decision was to be made to use them, it would have come in the following Administration.

Mr. Baron. Were you aware of the development of any CIA plans or efforts to assassinate Fidel Castro?

Mr. Dillon. No, not at all.

Mr. Baron. Did you hear any discussion of that subject?

Mr. Dillon. None whatsoever.

Mr. Baron. So although you were aware of CIA covert activities against the Cuban regime, you were completely unaware of any assassination effort against Castro?

Mr. Dillon. The major activity was the building up of this capacity among the Cuban exiles, or supposed capacity.

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