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a. The use of five islets facing Santiago de los Caballeros City for a military base.

b. Authorization for HDC personnel to move in and out of the Dominican Republic in a clandestine manner.

c. Transportation of HDC war material from Miami aboard Dominican Air Force planes.

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6. Although Barbera agreed with Batista regarding the need for preparation of operational plans and an estimate of the cost, he strongly recommended that Batista delay immediate action. He felt that it was inadvisable to attempt the implementation of the plans until Balaguer's reaction is known. However, it was decided at the meeting that immediate action was necessary.

7. At the meeting Batista reported that dissent within the ranks of the HDC is becoming evident because of the lack of activity which, in turn, results from the lack of funds. He mentioned \$10,000 as the sum required to meet immediate needs.

8. The military department of the HDC set forth its

views in a document dated 29 May. This document included the following points:

a. Discontent is becoming evident because of the lack of activity which, in turn, results from the lack of funds. The sum mentioned is \$10,000.

b. No change in United States policy regarding the use of the United States as a base of operations outside of the United States is considered to be so vitally important that the military department would be willing to operate an illegal base if the resources were made available.

c. The condition of the boats is such that the HDC has no sea transportation. The boats are described as follows:

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