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OFFICE LOG FOR OCT 27

- 0740 CNO arrived
- 0800 CNO departed for daily briefing
- 0845 CNO returned
- 0900 CNO departed for JCS meeting
- 0955 CNO departed Pentagon for Washington National Airport to go to Norfolk for the Oyster Bowl game. Admiral Griffin in the office, ADM's Ricketts and Sharp in JCS conference room.
- ✓ 1120 Flurry of excitement over Khrushchev announcement of Turkey base swap
- 1130 CAPT Kidd briefed watch officers on desires for keeping plot board and set up procedures for routing messages to appropriate files.
- 1145 Receipt of message in Spanish which everyone seemed interested in but no one could translate.
- 1210 Received word from flag plot that ADM Anderson was now in CINCLANTFLT compound
- 1221 CNO has phone right at his side during game with a direct line to CINCLANTFLT which can be patched direct to Pentagon
- ✓ 1238 ~~Call from~~ CINCLANFLT for CNO asking if CAPT Kidd had anything for ADM Anderson. CAPT Kidd said Joint Chiefs still in session but had nothing. He said to tell the admiral to rest easy, the boat's on an even keel, to have a good time and go to the ball game.
- ✓ 1245 IP data boards taken into ADM Griffin 
- 1246 CAPT MacRi came in with instructions for air quarantine and

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and a message on the commissioning of the Lexington which he said ADM Griffin was interested in.

1247 MR. Kidd (DIA) discussed a paper by Hitchcock and said "it was a fair picture."

1435 CAPT Kidd returned a call to Mr. Hitchcock and his end of ~~the~~ conversation went something like: "I checked in the hall and confirmation is uncertain." "How about that first bit of information for ADM Griffin." "Understood."

1447 ✓ Announcement received that Cuban defense minister had reported they had fired on hostile aircraft. One of our U-2's which had been on a low-level reconnaissance flight was overdue for 1 hour.

1500 CNO called ADM Griffin to check on things

1525 ✓ Afternoon low-level photo mission airborne. (One was also ordered and executed this morning.)

1543 ADM Griffin called for CAPT Ward to discuss POLARIS.

1547 CAPT Thomas reported that a news release concerning enforcement of surveillance was put out "2 minutes ago" by Mr. Sylvester and delivered a copy to ADM Griffin.

1604 ✓ 2 of the eight U-2's on reconnaissance flight returned with engine trouble. CINCLANTFLT reports U-2 still overdue

✓ 1636 Blue Moon was fired at.

✓ 1640 Blue Moon all Navy/Marine Corps aircraft. Anti-aircraft fire believed to be 30mm cannon.

1650 ✓ ADM Griffin reviewing U-2 attack incident and contingency plan 312 (ShoekBlack) for discriminatory retaliation in the event of shooting at reconnaissance aircraft.

1745 ADM Griffin ~~has~~ requested information on an incident in

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which swimmers tried to attach a limpid mine to the hull of a vessel in a Cuban harbor. The swimmers could not get close enough because of a force field. CDR Howshoe, IDO, was told to have ~~an~~ intelligence investigate every angle of the incident and determine if phenomena was due to natural causes or generated by the ship and if generated by the ship how she did it and what kind of a ship is she.

2000 CNO arrived

2055 CNO requested current status of Lexington. Word passed to flag plot

2100 CNO Departed for SECNAV's office

2105 LCDR Ripley reported the status of the Lexington: she was scheduled to leave today at 1300 but has two bad ~~xi~~ ship's service generators. She will sail tomorrow at 0800 even if she has to take yard electricians with her. Ammo aboard. She will function as aCVA.

2115 CNO returned

2120 CNO called for JCS policy file

2138 Much excitement over Groznyy

2210 General LeMay visited ADM Anderson. NOTE: 14,000 air reservists were called to active duty to man 24 transport squadrons.

2255 CNO left

2310 HSS-2 helicopters ordered grounded which downs all ASW helos aboard the ESSEX. VCNO called for ADM Shoop to discuss the situation.

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