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With reference to your [redacted]((A)), dated 23 August 1963, and my [redacted]((B)), dated 6 November 1963, I report that I presented a second plea in the case of CARLOS ESPIN[XU] Y ESCALES((C)) on the same day that his sentence was pronounced.

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The plea was submitted by Dr. RAUL ROA, Cuban Foreign Minister, to President DORTICOS, who told Dr. ROA to inform me that on that same day he [ESCALES] had been executed, before Cuba knew about Mexico's note. In any event, the sentence of capital punishment would not have been commuted, because he was one of the principal persons responsible for an attempt against the life of the Prime Minister, Dr. FIDEL CASTRO.

((A)) Available if required. [redacted] W/S 14989, dated 22 August 1963. Text similar to that contained in 3/O/[redacted]/T1204-63.]
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