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- Plans also include adapting a C-130 military plane to fly around Cuban waters in order to illegally broadcast US government propaganda over TV/Radio Marti into Cuba.
- Send millions more dollars in US appropriations to fund an internal opposition movement

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