

# Lessons for the US Secret Service: When the CIA Tried to Assassinate Fidel Castro More Than 638 Times

Trump Derangement Syndrome (TDS) and the Attempted Assassination of Donald J. Trump

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*Thomas Matthew Crooks is the identified shooter who tried to murder the future Republican nominee for President, Donald Trump from a rooftop roughly 130 yards away during a rally in Butler, Pennsylvania hitting the former president in the upper part of his right ear while speaking to his supporters. Crooks was eventually killed by secret service agents but only after he fired several rounds at the former president and killing one person and injuring two others in the crowd. It looks like the US Secret Service was either incompetent or in on the assassination plot by letting it happen, that's the only conclusion that can come out of this incident.*

However, many people in the Democratic Party, from politicians, to celebrities to voter's alike all instigated for someone to kill Trump because he is a "threat" to democracy. Celebrities such as Snoop Dogg whose music video "[Lavender](#)" where Trump is dressed as a clown and the rapper points a gun at him and shoots him in the head to [comedian Kathy Griffin](#) who back in May 2017, posted a photo of her holding a bloody, decapitated Trump head. The singer Madonna also said that she had "[thought an awful lot about blowing up the White House](#)" during a speech at a Women's March in Washington back in January 2017.

It's fair to say that these celebrities (*most of them are hardcore Democrats*) added to the flames of hatred called *Trump Derangement Syndrome* also known as TDS which many liberals have to this day. These celebrities and some politicians have instigated violence against Trump since he became President in 2016.

But there is a period of history that the US Secret Service can learn from and that is from

the *Dirección General de Inteligencia* (DGI) or Cuban Intelligence that protected Cuba's Fidel Castro for many years from the US government, namely, the CIA. You may ask, what can the US Secret Service learn from Cuban Intelligence?

Well for starters, the CIA and other intelligence services tried to assassinate Fidel Castro more than [638 times](#). Yes, 638 times and not once a bullet got close enough to Fidel Castro.

Image: Fabian Escalante ([Source](#))



Cuban Intelligence agents led by its director, Fabián Escalante, protected Castro for close to five decades until the Cuban leader died of natural causes at the age of 90. In 2016, *The New York Daily News* had an interesting article titled, '[Fidel Castro survived over 600 assassination attempts, Cuban spy chief said](#)' published what Fabián Escalante, a former director of Cuban Intelligence had said about Castro's assassination attempts by various US presidents from both sides of the aisle:

Before old age finally took its toll, Cuban dictator Fidel Castro had survived a mob hit, poisoning at the hands of a former flame and cigars dosed with drugs. All told, the revolutionary survived over 600 assassination attempts, Cuban officials boasted.

The U.S. government's attempts on Castro's life — who [died Friday](#) at the age of 90 — were so frequent that the former director of Cuban intelligence, Fabián Escalante, broke them down by administration: Eisenhower, 38; Kennedy, 42; Johnson, 72; Nixon, 184; Carter, 64; Reagan, 197; Bush Sr., 16; Clinton, 21

Cuban Intelligence agents were obviously competent enough to prevent 638 assassination attempts on the Cuban leader. In fact, Castro once said that *"If surviving assassination attempts were an Olympic event, I would win the gold medal."*

Some of the assassination attempts were even so ridiculous that it seemed that the ideas were made for a comedy series on TV including an attempt to get Castro to smoke an explosive cigar to blow his head off or giving him poisoned ice cream in Havana by the Italian mafia who was angry that they got kicked out of Cuba. They even attempted to get Castro to put on a "flesh-eating wetsuit" filled with fungus. That's how desperate the CIA became to kill the Cuban leader.

According to [The Gaurdian](#), the last known assassination attempt was in 2000,

“As recently as 2000, when Castro was due to visit Panama, a plot was hatched to put 200lb (90kg) of high explosives under the podium where he was due to speak. Castro’s personal security team carried out their own checks before he arrived and foiled the plot.”

The US government, the CIA and the Right-Wing Cubans in Miami tried everything in the book to kill Castro, but it never happened because the Cuban Intelligence agents could protect Castro wherever he went. They were steps ahead of the CIA.

*Dirección General de Inteligencia* (DGI) has been considered one of the best spy agencies in the world with the ability to identify threats before they happen. The DGI was established in 1961 with the help of the former Soviet Union’s KGB shortly after Castro came to power.

Trump’s security detail failed to access the area for any potential threats. The US Secret Service failed to protect Trump especially against those in the Democratic party who has ruthless insiders like Hillary Clinton who is closely tied to the Deep State. They want Trump gone because he is on the projection to win in a landslide on November 5th and they can’t stand it.

Trump has embarrassed the political establishment especially in the Democratic party and even a handful of politicians from the Republican party with their failed methods of trying to take him out of the elections with what is now called “Lawfare” by prosecuting him in court with numerous made-up charges and it all has failed.

This is not to say that Trump is anti-establishment in any way because in his last administration, he had many people from the deep state as well including his Secretary of State, Mike Pompeo and many others, but that’s besides the point.

The point is that the TDS crowd is still calling for Trump’s head. It’s a dangerous situation and there is still three and a half months before the Presidential elections take place, so put on your seatbelt, it’s going to be a wild and unpredictable ride.

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