Richard M. Bissell, 84, Is Dead; 
Helped Plan Bay of Pigs Invasion

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 7—Richard M. Bissell Jr., the senior Government official who supervised the Central Intelligence Agency's failed invasion of Cuba, died today at his home in Farrington, Conn. He was 84.

Mr. Bissell had heart problems, said his wife, Diana C. Bissell.

Mr. Bissell, a career government employee, helped organize the operation from start to finish, and had been assigned to the CIA for three decades. He was known for his keen eye for detail and his ability to anticipate the effects of his actions.

Mr. Bissell is survived by his wife, Diana C. Bissell, and a son, Richard M. Bissell Sr., a retired Navy captain who worked for the CIA.

Mr. Bissell had been with the CIA since 1947, when he joined the agency as a mathematician. He was later promoted to the rank of deputy director and then director of the National Security Agency.

Mr. Bissell was known for his work on the Bay of Pigs invasion, a failed attempt by the United States to overthrow Fidel Castro's government in Cuba in 1961.

H. J. Abs, 92, a German Banker With Key Role in Postwar Growth

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BOINS, Feb. 7—Hermann J. Abs, a German banker who was the last surviving member of a prominent family that shaped Germany's postwar economy, died on Saturday in Bad Soden, Germany.

Mr. Abs was a key figure in the reconstruction and growth of German industry after World War II. He was a co-founder of the Commerzbank and served as its chairman for many years.

Mr. Abs was born in 1921 in Berlin, Germany, and studied economics at the University of Freiburg. He began his career at the Commerzbank in 1947 and rose through the ranks to become chairman in 1970.

Mr. Abs was known for his ability to navigate the complex political landscape of postwar Germany, and for his commitment to rebuilding the German economy.

John Reynolds, 61, New York Real-Estate Broker

By ERIC PACE
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John J. Reynolds, a New York real-estate broker, died on Sunday in a hospital in Boston after an illness. He was 61.

Mr. Reynolds was a lifelong friend and colleague of the late Edward Kennedy, who was also a real-estate broker.

Mr. Reynolds was born in Boston and graduated from Boston College. He began his career in real estate in the late 1970s and was a partner in a number of successful sales transactions.

Mr. Reynolds is survived by his wife, Patricia M. Reynolds, and his son, John Reynolds Jr., also a real-estate broker.

In Memoriam

Afonso de Souza, 73, former Brazilian senator and trade union leader, died on Tuesday in Rio de Janeiro. He was 73.

Mr. de Souza was a long-time advocate of workers' rights and was a member of the Brazilian Communist Party. He served as a senator from 1978 to 1982. He was also a prominent figure in the labor movement, and was a leader of the Sao Paulo state government from 1983 to 1984.

Mr. de Souza is survived by his wife, Maria de Lourdes de Souza, and their two children.