Memorandum for the Record
3 June 1962

Translation of Flyer Issued in San Juan, Puerto Rico, 12 May 1962 Relating to "Operation Alpha 65."

Following is a translation of this one-page flyer:

San Juan, Puerto Rico, 12 May 1962

CIAW IN sings Account of the Operation Alpha 65.

After four months of collection of data and plans, a very small group of professional Cuban technicians without any political affiliation has established an operation plan which includes sabotage, simultaneous guerrilla operations by commandos and sabotage of oil wells. This has been termed "Operation Alpha 65." In accordance with this plan, a group of agents will be used, by choice, in carefully budgeting the total cost, which arrived at the figure of 57,000 pesos.

What has been planned is of such breadth and extent that it can be assured that, if the hoped for success is achieved, it will provoke direct, immediate, and decisive overthrow of the regime and thereby the liberation of the country from the cloud of international convention.

The 66 volunteer Cuban patriots have already been carefully and duly selected, trained, and instructed as far as logistic direction advises. Up to the current time, they, themselves, together with the technicians have paid for the equipment and the cost of the instruments and equipment acquired up to the present for a total of 57,000 pesos. Now, they have written a complete plan and due coordination with the 66 Cuban volunteers duly trained and 57,000 pesos provided, only lacking the 5,700 remaining dollars in order to be able to carry out successfully the complete plan on a day of this summer. It cannot be later than this summer.

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We understand that those of you who do not share this reality, nor do not despise ourselves to the dangers of this underground and of solitude, we are merely obliged to cooperate financially in which we believe, are directed to liberate our country as generously as circumstances permit us and our ability. All in this effort. The savings of one day of family, for you and for your family, together with the privations which are considered our own, might be the last price that you are going to pay for the liberation of our country and your return to it. May God be with you.

All the funds which are collected will be deposited under the joint control of two custodians in the Banco Popular de Puerto Rico, an Account termed Operation Alpha 66. Therefore, although you may send your donations in cash, we prefer, if possible, to do it by check or money order to the credit of Operation Alpha 66. Send today your contribution to post office Box 9791, Santurce, Puerto Rico. Remember that it cannot go beyond this summer.

These funds will be audited by the Association of Puerto Rican Accountants in Exile. Immediately after the operation is ended we will render a report and detailed account explaining the results of the military and economic actions. We will inform you of how it was planned, how it was executed and (there will be, if God wills, a file of the principal actions) whether they are exhibited throughout the world that they may know what is capable of a people who liberate themselves from imperialism. The lesson which we pay unavocably have to suffer, how hard and collected and what it was spent for, the disposable balance, and so forth. We shall be informed of the names of the voluntary patriots, who are asked to this and their political statements will be kept secret for fear of reprisals against their relatives on the part of international censors. Likewise we will remain silent with reporting as anonymous contributions, as for the names of these contributors except our political you may authorize us to mention them.

If you who with family and sons are ready to give your lives to liberate our country do not fail, please, to give your cordial cooperation to this audacious operation. We count on you. "While you do not have a country, you do not have anything." That is a quotation from Francisco Vizcaino-Aguirre: "Cuba, the cradle of liberty, the tomb of communism. Better dead than slaves."
Comment: This report consists of a circular issued by the organization known as Operation Alpha, 66, which is in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Re: Account "Operation Alpha 66" in the "Banco Popular" of Puerto Rico.

CUBA: After gathering details and planning for four months, a very small group of Cuban professional technicians without any political commitment has drawn up a plan which includes different and simultaneous guerrilla and sabotage actions, which has been called "Operation Alpha 66." According to the plans 66 men of action will be utilized, and by chance when the total cost of this plan was estimated the final figure was $66,000.00.

The plan is of large scale and will have such repercussions that it can be assured that if the plan is successful as expected, it will provoke almost simultaneously the final overthrow of the regime and therefore the liberation of our Nation from International Communism.

The 66 Cuban volunteer patriots have already been carefully and appropriately selected and trained as far as the logical discretion advises. So far they themselves and the technicians have defrayed the expenses which have been incurred, and the cost of the weapons, instruments, and equipment purchased so far for a total of $9,000.00.
Therefore, we already have a complete and properly coordinated plan, the 6 trained Cuban Volunteers, and the $9,000.00 in trained Volunteers. Only the remaining $37,000.00 are lacking to be able to successfully accomplish the entire plan one specific day this summer. IT CANNOT BE IN THE SUMMER.

We believe that those of us who do not fear and who do not expose ourselves to the dangers of the underground or sabotage, are morally obliged to give financial cooperation to any action with the objective of liberating our Nation, as generously as the circumstances allow us. In accordance to our spirit of sacrifice in this regard, the sacrifice of one day of tilling for you and yours, in communion with the privations which are suffered by our compatriots in Cuba, can possibly be the last price which you are going to pay for the liberation of our Nation and your return. May God wish you good health.

These funds will be supervised (audited) by the Puerto Rico Delegation of the Association of Private and Public Accountants of Cuba in Exile. Immediately after the termination of the Operation, we will submit a report and detailed account of the financial results. We will report how the Operation was planned and accomplished (God willing), there will be a movie or the main action to exhibit in the entire world and to show what a people is capable of doing to liberate itself from Communism, the casualties which we will unavoidably suffer, how much money was collected and how much was spent; the Available credits, etc. We will keep in silence the names of the volunteer patriots who have been requested in their political documents for fear of reprisals. From their relatives by International Communism. We will also keep in silence, reporting them as anonymous contributions the name of the contributors, except, if at your request, they authorize us in writing to mention their names.

If they, with families and Children, are willing to give their lives to liberate our Nation, please, don't refuse your financial cooperation to this bold Operation. We confide in you....

WHILE YOU HAVE NO NATION, YOU HAVE NOTHING.

Francisco Vicente Aguiler
"CUBA, CRADLE OF FREEDOM, TOMB OF COMMUNISM.
"RATHER DEAD THAN SLAVES!"

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who is against Fidel Castro, and in the case of this organization, support is being obtained partly as a consequence of the rumor that Governor Luis Ex Munoz Marin is backing one of the organizations with the approval of the United States Government.

ALPHA 66 was organized as a non-sectarian organization with the objective of simultaneous guerrilla action and sabotage in and infiltration into Cuba. The agents who had been selected were being trained, and the operation would require $66,000.
FIELD INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY: Cuba

SUBJECT: Activities of ALPHA-66, an anti-Castro Organization

DATE OF REPORT: 3 August 1962

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REFERENCES

1. It is reported that the ALPHA 66 organization had already raised the sum of $15,000.

2. This organization is making inroads into the professional class among the exiles in the US, who are lending support to a group of patriots who have announced their intention to assassinate Fidel Castro by the end of the year.

3. Some quarters of the Cuban community in exile in the US, particularly individuals who were formerly associated with the Cuban banking field and others, can be made to withdraw their support of this organization.

4. As of 20 July it was noted that ALPHA 66 was receiving considerable support from Cuban exiles in Puerto Rico.
6. It appears that Cuban exiles in Puerto Rico have decided to support anyone (sic) who is against Fidel Castro, and in the case of this organization support is being obtained partly as a consequence of the rumor that Governor Luis Munoz Marin is backing this organization with the cognizance of the Government of the United States.

7. Cuban exiles in Puerto Rico, who were members of the professional, economic, and labor fields in Cuba, as well as former Cuban military men appear to be giving ALPMA 66 their support.

It was previously reported that ALPMA 66 had been organized after four months of negotiations as a non-sectarian organization which was going to initiate simultaneous guerrilla action and sabotage in and infiltration into Cuba. It was also reported that there were 66 action agents who had been selected, were being trained, and that this operation would require $66,000.
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H 1. CONFIRMED HE MADE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION A-66 PROJECT AND STATED THIS OPS BEING SUPPORTED BY HIGHLY RESPONSIBLE CUBAN EXILES.

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2. MEETING WAS FOR PURPOSE SOLICITING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM MORE THAN 40 CUBANS ATTENDING. AUDIENCE MADE UP OF PROFESSIONAL TYPES WELL ABOVE AVERAGE CUBAN EXILE. VECIANA PITCH WAS DEMAND RATHER THAN REQUEST FOR FUNDS WITH INERENCE REPRISALS AGAINST ANY WHO FAILED FULFILL THIS "DUTY". NO PLANS OF A-66 BEYOND OUTLINE IN HANDBILLS OF 12 MAY AND 18 JUNE COVERED AT MEETING.

3. FORMATION A-66 PROMPTED BY REALIZATION BY HIS GROUP THAT U. S. NOT GOING TO RISK WAR WITH SOVIETS OVER CUBAN PROBLEM AND HAS IN EFFECT ABANDONED CUBA TO COMMUNISTS. IT THEREFORE NECESSARY THEY UNDERTAKE ACTION PROGRAM OUTSIDE U. S. CONTROL.
4. GROUP HAS NO POLITICAL CONNECTION

HAD RECEIVED CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PUERTO RICANS

NO OTHER MEMBERS A-66 GROUP IDENTIFIED EXCEPT

THAT TWO OF FOUR INDIVIDUALS IN WHOSE NAMES A-66 BANK ACCOUNT HELD

ARE GERONIMO ESTEVEZ AND FATHER LEON HERNANDEZ.

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7. A-56 appears typical of numerous grandiose Cuban exile schemes we have seen over past several years and perhaps is only new fund raising gimmick. On other hand impressed with caliber of people attending meeting and spot judgment of Veciana is that he is type who can and will attempt these actions if gets financial backing.

8. [Redacted]

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Note for Mr. [Redacted]

We have received several reports on an anti-Castro organization in Puerto Rico called "ALPHA 66". A leading Cuban exile involved is Antonio VELIANA, a former banker.
the creation of a new organization called Alpha 66, Alpha, for the letter "A" meant it was the first of its kind, and 66 represented the number of members in the group.

4. Alpha 66 is dedicated to waging war on Castro's Cuba and one of its first objectives is the assassination of Castro.

5. Alpha 66's determination to remain independent is essential to its success. But they admit to the organizations need for help. They claim to have 30-60 thousand dollars scattered in different places through the US and Puerto Rico. This money, however, is jealously guarded for future operations, and especially to help outfit an Army to pursue what advantage may flow from Castro's assassination.

6. For the moment, therefore, Alpha-66 is seeking the following as a starter, and presumably for the purpose of mounting an operation aimed at Castro's destruction:

US$1000.00
10,000 pesos, Cuban
48 hand grenades
1. THIS LATEST ON ALFA-66 C-

2. AT END JULY LOCAL ALFA-66 REPS RECEIVED SEALED ENVELOPE FROM MIAMI PURPORTEDLY CONTAINING DETAILS OF ALFA-66 FIRST ACTION. ENVELOPE WAS TO BE OPENED AFTER ACTION COMPLETED AT PUBLIC RALLY. ENVELOPE CEREMONIOUSLY PLACED IN SAFE DEPOSIT BOX WHERE PRESUMABLY STILL REPOSES.

3. LAST WEEK, LOCALS GREATLY DISCOURAGED PRESS FOR EXPLANATION. WERE TOLD BY VECIANA FROM MIAMI THAT OP GROUP ACTUALLY DEPARTED BUT FORCED RETURN DUE "IMPERFECTION IN EQUIPMENT".

4. LOCALS WERE PREPARING SEND COMMISSION TO MIAMI TO GET FULLER REPORT.

5. GENERAL FEELING IS GREAT LETDOWN, NO MEETINGS, FUND RAISING AT COMPLETE STANDSTILL.

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11. Another Raid on Cuba May Be Attempted Soon

Another raid on Cuba may be attempted shortly by a faction of Cuban exiles impatient for direct action.

An anti-Castro group named Alpha-66 plans an operation against the Castro regime within the next seven days, according to a US Army source.

The anonymous leaders of Alpha-66 have been planning operations against the Castro regime for some time, but there is no confirmation of their claim that they have already carried out some operations in Cuba.
2. Envelope which allegedly contains info while known to exist by considerable number of A-66 members was placed in safe deposit

3. At meeting conducted by Estevez night 30 August and attended by about 200 Cuban exiles, two reps of Dre' presented who told gathering Dre' planning additional raids on Cuba. Said that at next week's meeting (these are every Thursday night affairs) plans will be announced for recruiting young Cubans
IN VENEZUELA, PUERTO RICO, AND MIAMI. WANT MEN WHO NEED MINIMUM MILITARY TRAINING TO FORM RAIDER GROUPS (COMANDOS A CUBA) FOR FUTURE ACTION.

END OF MESSAGE

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2. Re Para 2 Ref A, two who appeared at meeting as DRE reps were Ramon Fernandez, said to be local DRE rep, and person referred to only as "Tripa" supposedly from Miami.

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INFO DIR CITE

1. DRE REP SIAN KNOWN ONLY AS RAMON MARTIN. FERNANDEZ MAY BE MATRONYMIC. "TRIPA" IS CARLOS ARTECONA DRE MEMBER ALPHA-66 MAY HAVE INVITED THEM TO BORROW GLAMOR OF DRE SELLING HAVANA

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TO
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF STATE (SECURITY)
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY: ATTENTION: ACSI, SECURITY DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY: ATTENTION: ONI
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE: ATTENTION: OSI, INSPECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT: "ALPHA 66", AN ANTI-CASTRO ORGANIZATION

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PLANS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE "ALPHA 66" ORGANIZATION, AN ANTI-CASTRO OPERATION IN
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO:

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3. ALL "ALPHA 66" PLANS AND (CONTINUED)

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LATE JULY 1962, "ALPHA 66" ELEMENTS IN SAN JUAN RECEIVED A
SEALLED ENVELOPE FROM VECIANA IN MIAMI, PURPORTEDLY CONTAIN-
ING DETAILS OF THE FIRST ACTION OF "ALPHA 66". THE ENVELOPE WAS
TO BE OPENED AT A PUBLIC RALLY AFTER THE ACTION WAS COMPLETED
AND WAS CEREMONIOUSLY PLACED IN A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX.

"ALPHA 66" BECAME GREATLY DISCOURAGED BECAUSE OF LACK OF
ACTION AND THEY PRESSSED "ALPHA 66" LEADERS FOR AN EXPLANATION.
THEY WERE TOLD BY ANTONIO VECIANA FROM MIAMI THAT AN OPERA-
TIONAL GROUP HAD ACTUALLY DEPARTED FOR AN ACTION RAID AGAINST
CUBA BUT WAS FORCED TO RETURN DUE TO "IMPERFECTION IN EQUIP-
(CONTINUED)"
MENT. SAN JUAN MEMBERS OF "ALPHA 66" THEN PLANNED TO SEND A COMMISSION TO MIAMI TO GET A MORE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT.

4. AN "ALPHA 66" MEETING WAS CONDUCTED IN SAN JUAN BY GERONIMO ESTEVEZ ON NIGHT OF 30 AUGUST 1962 AND WAS ATTENDED BY ABOUT 200 CUBAN EXITING THESE MEETINGS ARE HELD WEEKLY, AND IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT PLANS WILL BE REVEALED AT NEXT MEETING FOR RECRUITING YOUNG CUBANS IN VENEZUELA, PUERTO RICO, AND MIAMI. WANT ARE MEN WHO NEED MINIMUM MILITARY TRAINING TO FORM RAID GROUPS FOR FUTURE ACTIONS. TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DIRECTORIO REVOLUCIONARIO ESTUDIANTIL (DRE) WERE PRESENT AND THEY ANNOUNCED THE DRE WAS PLANNING ADDITIONAL RAID ON CUBA.
5. **HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THIS AGENCY AND THE BUREAU.**

6. **PRELIMINARY TRACES REVEAL NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DEVELOPED WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEES.**

7. **ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE "ALPHA 66" ORGANIZATION RECEIVED BY THIS AGENCY WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEES. THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEES MAY DEVELOP ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT.**

8. **THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE.**

END OF MESSAGE

[Redacted text]
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF STATE (SECURITY)
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY: ATTENTION: ACSI, SECURITY DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY: ATTENTION: ONI
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE: ATTENTION: OSI, INSPECTOR GENERAL.

SUBJECT: ALPHA 66, AN ANTI-CASTRO ORGANIZATION

1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THIS AGENCY'S TELETYPE MESSAGE, OUT NO. 73652, DATED 6 SEPTEMBER 1962, SUBJECT AS ABOVE.

2. [Redacted]

3. ON 30 AUGUST 1962 AN ALPHA 66 MEETING WAS HELD IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO. IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING WERE TWO MEMBERS OF THE [Redacted]

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DIRECTORIO REVOLUCIONARIO ESTUDIANTIL (DRE). RAMON MARTIN, DRE REPRESENTATIVE IN SAN JUAN, AND CARLOS ARTECONA, ALSO KNOWN AS "TRIPA" A DRE MEMBER FROM MIAMI, ARE BELIEVED TO BE THE TWO DRE MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED THIS MEETING.

4. [INTEL-SECRET] THE SUBJEC OF PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THIS AGENCY AND THE BUREAU. PRELIMINARY TRACES REVEAL NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON

5. AS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ALPHA 66 ORGANIZATION AND ITS MEMBERS IS RECEIVED BY THIS AGENCY, IT WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARD ED TO ADDRESSEES. THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION DEVELOPED BY ADDRESSEES ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT.

6. THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE, TO THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, AND TO THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF (CONTINUED)
1. Alpha 66, an ex-Castro counterrevolutionary action group, is incorporated under the laws of Hawaii state, and is comprised of Cuban certified public accounts in exile, the most part living in New York, with some representatives in New York and Miami. It is dedicated to sabotage, assassinations, and similar acts and runs a type commando operations against the Cuban regime in Cuba, and intends to carry out 6 to 8 such forays in the coming months. The first of these is already planned for early in the new year, probably near a Cuban naval base in the Caribbean. Alpha 66 has no political aspirations nor does it look forward to any position as representation to a post-Castro Cuban provisional government.

2. Whereas all of these suspects have some primary contact and resources to date, they are unable to accept contributions from any interested supporter. They have no reason to work with the US government if it will not serve their best interests. Regardless, they plan to go ahead with their plans, with or without US government coordination and/or support. They do need more money and equipment for future operations, which may have to wait until they get the resources they need.

Their activities in tying all other Cuban groups in exile to Cuba to the extent that they have wanted money, gun power, and prestige. Since they can help with these, except possibly and only to get their harassment projects underway, they are only telling me that they will not continue to help any other group that is not interested in their harassment and support. They are working to do with the most powerful and relevant Cuban organizations that are sufficiently skilled, and will do this only if they have resources to fulfill their plans to secure that access of this group approach, Especially, harassment organization in counter The very sensibility Cuban requires that of the money for any funds requested for help.

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They have been in close contact with their leaders and are making good progress. They have now reached a point where they feel confident of their ability to carry out their mission. They have spent considerable time in training and have organized their efforts to meet the needs of each operation. They have a good base of support, both inside and outside Cuba, and are well prepared for the task at hand.

Their leaders are as follows:

1. The leader in New York is Richard Davis, with an assistant named John Smith, who is employed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in the New York office, as treasurer.

2. In Puerto Rico, the leader is Mr. Williams, in San Juan.

3. Another officer in New York is Mr. Perez, who is a member of the company.

4. Other officers in Puerto Rico are Mr. Garcia, Director of Finance, and Mr. Perez, Director of Finance, both of Guanica, and Roberto Castellanos, Director of Finance.

5. Still other officers in Puerto Rico are the following, whose names only, and not positions, are known:

- Roberto Gomez
- Pedro Ruiz
- Father Miguel Hernandez

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Of the last three named, two were former Ch's in Cuba,
while Father Fernandez was a Catholic priest, raise was a former
leader of the Catholic Family group in Cuba.

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Currently our most important [35,000] in
that they have an ability operating on their side with the

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1. Alpha 66, an anti-Castro counter-revolutionary Cuban group, is incorporated under the laws of Puerto Rico, and is controlled by Cubans living in exile, for the most part living in San Juan, but with some representatives in New York and Miami. It is dedicated to sabotage, harassment and similar kind and run-type commando operations against the Castro regime in Cuba, and intends to carry out 6 to 8 such forays in the coming months. The scale of these is already planned in detail, and will go into effect in the near future, granted some underpinnings based there in. Alpha 66 has no political aspirations nor does it look forward to any position or representation in a future Cuban provisional government.

2. Whereas all their support has come primarily from private sources to date, they are anxious to accept contributions from any interested supporter. They have no aversion to working with the US government if it will serve their best interests. Regardless, they plan to go ahead with their plans with or without US government coordination and/or support. They do need more money and equipment for future operations, which may have to wait until they get the resources they need.

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Their criticisms to date of all other Cuban groups in exile is that they have wanted money, power and position. Since they want neither, of these, except supplies and cash to get their harassment projects underway, they are only telling now what they must to: convince interested helpers of their seriousness and intent. They want nothing to do with the recent student group organization that recently shelled Habana and will disclose only what they have to on their plans to assure their success of this purely aggressive retaliatory harassment organization. As ex-CPA's, their businesslike manner requires them to give receipts for any funds received for help.
29 AUGUST 1962. (FTI \[REDACTED\] HAS REPORTED \[REDACTED\] CONNECTIO BETWEEN INFO IN PARAS ONE, TWO, AND THREE NOT KNOWN.

4. ALPHA 66 IS ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN EXILE ORGANIZATION
ANTONIO VECIANA BLANCO COM
CUBAN BANKER AND MILITANT EXILE IS \[REDACTED\] RECENT REPORTS
INDICATE ALPHA 66 ACTION AGAINST CUBA MAY BE IMMINENT. DRE ORGANIZATION MAY BE WORKING WITH ALPHA 66.

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COordinating Office:

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4. ON DRE RELATIONS WITH A-66. THERE ARE NONE EXCEPT THAT ALL CUBANS MEET EVERY THURSDAY EVE IN CENTRO CATOLICA AT IGLESIASAN JUAN BOSCON LA CALLE LUTZ TO EXCHANGE NEWS Gossip AND MAKE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. DRE AND A-66 REPS NATURALLY MINGLE THERE AND MUTUALLY CONFIDE TO CERTAIN DEGREE. AT 6 Sept MEETING CREW MEMBER ON ONE OF DRE STRIKE BOATS SAID CONFISCATED BOATS NOT THOSE USED IN HAVANA RAID. THAT DRE HAS ANGLE BOATS IN ITS BASE BUT THAT IT LOOKING FOR FUNDS PURCHASE PLANE TO BOMB RUSSIAN SHIPS CARRYING EQUIPMENT TO CUBA. HE SAID NATURALLY WE TELL THAT WE HAVE NO SUCH PLANS BUT WHO IN VENEZUELA TO TRY GET BETANCOURT'S SUPPORT, IS MAKING "CARACAS DECLARATION" OF WAR TO DEATH AGAINST CASTRO.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE (SECURITY)
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY; ATTENTION: ACSI, SECURITY DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY; ATTENTION: OSI
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE; ATTENTION: OSI, INSPECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] ORGANIZATION

3. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THIS AGENCY'S TELLETYP MESSAGE, OUT 76313, DATED 8 SEPTEMBER 1962, SUBJECT: ALPHA 66, AN ANTI-Castro ORGANIZATION.

2. [REDACTED]

3. ANTONIO VECITANA

UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, HE WILL TAKE THE SEALED ENVELOPE CONTAINING STRICT DETAILS (SEE THIS AGENCY'S TELLETYP MESSAGE, OUT 76313, DATED 6 SEPTEMBER 1962) FROM THE SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX IN A SAN JUAN BANK TO OPEN CEREMONIOUSLY AT A MASS MEETING AND MAKE COLLECTIONS FOR FUTURE ACTIONS. VECITANA

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AT THE 6 SEPTEMBER MEETING, [REDacted] A CREW MEMBER ON ONE OF THE IRE STRIKE BOATS ON 24 AUGUST 1962 SAI.D THAT HE CONFISCATED BOATS, BUT THOSE USED IN THE BAHAMRA RAID. [REDacted] SAID THAT THE IRE HAS AMPLA BOATS IN ITS BASE BUT THAT IT IS LOOKING FOR FUNDS TO PURCHASE A PLANE TO DROP RUSSIAN SHIPS CARRIING EQUIPMENT TO CUBA. HE SAID NATURALLY WE TELL THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THAT WE HAVE NO SUCH PLANS BUT

(FIRST NAME NOT MENTIONED) WHO IS IN VENEZUELA TO TRY AND GET HERNANDO'S SUPPORT IN MAKING "GERACAS DECLARATION" OF WAR TO DEATH AGAINST CASTRO.

7. AS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ALPHA 66 ORGANIZATION AND ITS MEMBERS IS RECORDED BY THIS AGENT,, IT WILL BE PROMPTLY FOWNWARDED TO ADDRESSEES. THIS AGENT WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION DEVELOPED BY ADDRESSEES ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT.

8. THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE, TO THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, AND TO THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

END OF MESSAGE
DATE: 11 SEP 69

TO: DIRECTOR
FROM: 
ACTION: 
INFO: 

PRITY DIR INFO CITE ALPHA-66

1. PRESS RELEASES PIRATE SHIP ATTACK ON TWO VESSELS IN CUBAN WATERS ON 11 SEP.

2. RADIO RELEASED IN EARLY 11 SEP. NEWS FLASH ANNOUNCED THAT ACTOR GROUP KNOWN AS ALPHA 66 HAS CLAIMED ACTION.

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5. UNITED STATES INITIAL THOUGHT WAS THIS ALPHA 55 OP, BUT
CONJECTURED IT UNDERTAKEN BY FREnte DE JUVENTUDS 67-80.
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COUNTRY: CUBA

SUBJECT: ALPHA-66 ATTACK ON CUBA/PROPOSE FURTHER ACTIVITIES/HELP AND DIRECTION SOLICITED

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11. Sept 62, attack was successful in that it proved their advertised capabilities, although the ship they destroyed was principally an old freighter used for storing molasses; all its stored materials were destroyed or lost, however, in the attack.

2. It did not result in any injuries to the members of Alpha 66 participating. Plans and training took place from their Puerto Rico base.

3. Alpha 66 has money and equipment for two more attacks, which are planned and will follow in fairly quick succession. Since they have a total of eight such planned, they need money, equipment, and direction for the other five lined up, after this first and their next two. This non-political nuisance group engaged in harassment against Castro has no desire to enter into post-revolution government planning.
IT IS ONLY INTERESTED IN STIRRING OTHER DORMANT GROUPS INTO SIMILAR
EFFECTIVE ACTION.

4. THEIR INTERNAL SECURITY IS TIGHT, AND THEY DISCUSS VERY LITTLE
OF THEIR PLANS OR MEANS WITH OTHER GROUPS, AS THEY HAVE LITTLE TO GAIN
AND LITTLE TO OFFER OTHER DISSIDENTS. THEY WILL, HOWEVER, FOLLOW
PROPOSED PLANS OF THOSE WILLING TO HELP AND ENCOURAGE THEIR LONG-RANGE
PROGRAM.
1. ANONYMOUS ALPHA 66 REPS CONTINUE CLAIMED IT REF RAI
VIA PUBLIC MEDIA. AS DUST SETTLES, CONSENSUS IS THAT ALPHA 66 INVOLVED.

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END OF MESSAGE
1. FOLLOWING FROM SAN JUAN PRESS 13 SEPT.

2. AT MASS MEETING AT CASA DE CUBA IN SANTURCE, PUERTO RICO, NIGHT OF 12 SEPT VECIANA GAVE REPORT OF ALPHA-66 ACTION AGAINST SHIPS OFF COAST OF CUBA 10 SEPT. SAID THIS FIRST ACTION WAS ONLY A WARNING. PROMISED FIVE MORE ATTACKS ON CUBA WITHIN NEXT 60 DAYS.

3. READ "DECLARATION OF WAR" TO CROWD WHICH CONSISTED OF THESE POINTS:
   A. URGED MORE FINANCIAL BACKING OF ALPHA-66.
   B. CALLED ON ALL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES BREAK RELATIONS WITH CUBA.
   C. WARNED WESTERN NATIONS SHIPS CARRYING AID TO CUBA WILL BE FIRED ON.
   D. CALLED ON OAS TO USE ALL POSSIBLE MEANS TO HEMISPHERE OF CASTRO COMMUNISM.

4. VECIANA CLAIMED HAVE FINANCIAL BACKING ALL MAJOR EXILE GROUPS, SAID HAS 300 FIGHTING MEN IN SMALL GROUPS DISTRIBUTED AROUND CARIBBEAN AREA AND HAS WAR CHEST OF $100,000. STRESSD REPEATEDLY PUERTO RICO IS NOT ALPHA-66 HQS, PLANNING GOING ON CONTINUOUSLY BY GROUP OF TOP LEADERS WHO UNKNOWN EVEN TO HIM.

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5. PRESS ALSO CARRYING STORIES WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW IF SUCH INVESTIGATION ACTUALLY TO BE MADE AND IF IT INTENDED CURB THESE ACTIONS.

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5. talked at some length about the exhorbitant prices that Alpha 66 has to pay for weapons and ammunition.
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6. ALPHA 66 has gained a great deal from the 11 September raid and subsequent publicity, and expects additional funds to be forthcoming. ALPHA 66 needs at least ten thousand dollars monthly to carry on the program, and they are desperately seeking sources for arms and ammunition.

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8. Any additional information received by this agency concerning the above subject will be promptly forwarded to addressees. This agency will appreciate receipt of any information addressees may develop on the above subject.

9. The above information is being made available to the
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1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THIS AGENCY'S TELETYPE MESSAGE OUT 80632, DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 1962, SUBJECT SAME AS ABOVE.

2. ALPHA 66 HAS THREE BOATS IN THE MIAMI AREA, A THIRTY-FOOTER, A TWENTY-FOOTER, AND ONE OUTBOARD POWERED WITH TWIN ONE HUNDRED HORSEPOWER HOBIE CUB ENGINES.

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ALPHA 66 IS ALSO ATTEMPTING TO BUY 3.5 INCHbazooka AND 27 MM 
RECOILLESS RIFLE AMMUNITION FOR WEAPONS THEY NOW HAVE IN 
THEIR POSSESSION.

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TIME PROMINENT PROFESSOR UPR HAS PUBLICLY PETITIONED P. R. JUSTICE DEPT TO SHOW CAUSE WHY A-66 SHOULD NOT BE PROSECUTED UNDER BOTH P. R. AND FEDERAL LAWS.
MONDAY 10 September 1962

ALPHA 65 Command Operations in the Cuban War of Liberation

It is 0130 A.M., and scarcely anything can be seen even a few inches away. In the bay called "Punta Gorda" near the port of Cardenas growing east of Cuba, a group of anchored boats is lost in the darkness. Among them are the ships the "Camaguey" and the "San Juan". An English ship called the "New Land" is also present. Everything is quiet. But a well-trained ear can hear something strange — like the movement of heavy feet in approaching the anchored boats. In fact, it's a small, powerful motor launched out of the "New Land". It moves at high speed and in a straight line. It's an anti-aircraft battery. It's a miracle. It moves so fast it's hard to believe. The gunner takes aim at the bow of the ship and opens fire. The explosion rippled through the water. The walls of the ship shook. The English ship "New Land" was hit. They got ready to withdraw. Before escaping, they took the "San Juan". They killed it and they had few casualties.

Already in the high seas outside of the jurisdictional waters of Cuba, the ship is overtaken by two helicopters from the Castro Air Force. The anti-aircraft machine gun go into action. And before the violence of the attack, the helicopters hurriedly leave. It is 0300 in the morning. The operation has lasted exactly 50 minutes.
A few hours later cables from informants assigned to identify the authors of the five men who, defying the laws of the United States, carried out this act of heroic sacrifice, were sent to Cuba.

What is Operation Alpha 66? Why that name and number? The men who compose that organization? What do they propose to do? When do they work?

To answer these questions it is necessary to go back a few months to the days in which the first anniversary of the attack on the U.S. was marked by the Communists on 17 April was about to begin.

It was a year ago that the attempt—though abortive—of destroying the Castro regime had been carried out, and the Communists were continuing their attacks. After that event nothing great had been planned to take place, at least that was the way Castro ordered it. But it was certain that the violent action of the Communists and the actions of other resistance groups in various places on the island gave the regime no respite nor rest. But opposed to a system of force and terror organized like that in Cuba, it would be indispensable to produce military action of certain magnitude capable of unleashing the necessary wave.

Among those who were thinking this way was a group of exiled Cubans bound to each other by revolutionary antecedents. They were almost all young professionals—public accountants, engineers, architects, lawyers, etc., with long experience in clandestine struggles, first against the Batista dictatorship and later against the Castro treasure. Some had participated in an attempt to fire the entrance to the...
Many of them had had to leave Cuba in fragile boats to escape the communist persecution. And all were decided to continue the struggle begun on their soil from exile.

After prolonged changes of plans and exhaustive analysis of the Cuban situation and of that in exile, that group of men reached a decision: it must prepare and put in practice a plan intended to produce concrete and feasible military action that would have as principal objectives:

A. To disturb in its foundation the economic and military structure of the Castro regime, causing it considerable harm by its quantity and consequences.

B. To enhance through these actions the necessary war against communism.

C. To raise the combat morale in exile.

D. To carry a message of effective and positive solidarity to the clandestine organizations that are struggling inside Cuba.

E. To demonstrate to the world that Cubans can by means of decisive actions shake the Castro regime and initiate the struggle to destroy it.

Thus surged the idea of "Operation Alpha 66", but why that name?

"Alpha", explains one of the members of the group, "is as you know the first letter of the Greek alphabet. Alpha means the beginning. We want our operation to be the beginning of the end for the Castro regime. Besides, our objective is essentially military not political. We have not organized for political reasons but for war. We don't aspire to convert ourselves into a political party nor to being the government in the post-Castro Cuba. Our only end is to contribute, in a decisive way to the
Overall of communism. Therefore we haven't given up Operation 66 because it can be changed in the future to the name of a political station. No one would think of calling Alpha 66 a political party.

But why the number 66? For "Operation 66" the 66 has a double name. It is a number that refers as much to the necessary economic resources as to the number of men needed to carry out the first planned actions as to the number of men Alpha has planned at the beginning five actions.

The supposed funds needed for these are $66,000, and the number of men members to execute these—66.

If 66 men seems little for an undertaking of that type. But the organizers "Operation" explain: "We don't need more. The planned actions don't require more people. On the contrary, a great part of the success of these actions is dependent upon the number of participants' being small. They are surprise actions in the style of the commando actions that played such an important role in the Second World War. The naval attack of 10 September against Crete is a good example of this type of action. But this has only been the first and as a number of proof. Other operations will be realized of greater importance. We have studied the results and can assure you that with 66 men we can cause gigantic harm to the fundamental objectives of the regime."

In addition, the 66 men are those who commit the action from outside, but Alpha has eight contacts with the clandestine units that operate inside Cuba."

Who are the men of "Alpha"? The same men explain the "Operation" has these: one visible and the other invisible. The last one is composed of those who are committed to carry out the action of ves...
The operation is organized with the characteristics of a commercial or industrial enterprise," explains one of the men. "We have four departments: Bookkeeping, Auditing, Banking, and Production. All the funds that are collected are deposited under the signature of two members of the organization in a checking account in the name of "Operation Alpha 66". These funds are handled by the "Association of Cuban Private Accountants of Cuba".

"Alpha" counts basically on the donations of their own Cubans. The success of our enterprise depends on what support we get from exiled Cubans," declared one of the members of the organization. "At the beginning it took a lot of work to sell it anything. Many Cubans wanted to see some action before contributing. At any rate the necessary amount was collected for the first act. And now we are sure that after having produced the first act, the donations will increase. We don't demand that anyone join the organization or make plans. It simply asks all Cubans--wait for the act.

And we promise that if the sufficient amount is collected the acts will be single accomplished. We went as far as to put a top date for the beginning of the act--22 September. Some thought that we couldn't do it, and nevertheless we did it. The first action took place 10 September, 12 days before the appointed date. Those who believed in us and helped us economically with their donations were not fooled. Alpha has demonstrated that she doesn't act for its own pleasure. We hope that all Cuban exiles..."
We therefore appeal to all the freedom-loving people of the world to give us their moral and financial support. We must win the battle of ideas, the battle for the survival of liberty in this world. We must ensure that the victory of freedom is not only a victory for the Cuban people but a victory for all mankind.

We call upon all those who believe in justice and freedom to join us in this struggle. We will not rest until we have achieved our goal.

We are aware of the difficulties we face, but we are confident in the strength of our cause. We know that the Cuban people will not be defeated. We will continue to fight until the day when freedom reigns in Cuba.

We thank all those who have supported us in this struggle. We look forward to the day when we will be free and able to live in peace and prosperity.

We appeal to all nations to support us in this struggle. We will not be deterred by the threats of the enemy. We will continue to fight until the day when freedom is restored to Cuba.

We are confident in the future of Cuba. We are confident in the future of freedom. We will not give up until we have achieved our goal.

We appeal to all those who believe in justice and freedom to join us in this struggle. We will not rest until we have achieved our goal.
On 12 September 1950, the Cuban people completely and without reservation adopted the following objectives:

- To support the necessary financial and economic measures that can make the Cuban nation a model for the continent and a stimulus for the other nations of Latin America.
- To support the necessary measures to establish a democratic regime that represents the country. The Cuban who forgets the country where he lives, forgets the family that still suffers in Cuba. In the case of the young, whose years are the future of the country, it is not a question of supporting a party, but of supporting the will for freedom and the right to live in peace and happiness.
- To support the necessary measures to build a just and equal society, to support the family, to support the civilian uniform, and to destroy the conditions that have made Cuba a model for the continent.

The new government, headed by President Fulgencio Batista, is working on these objectives. The new government is working on the fundamental principles for which Cuban policy was formulated, and that we will continue to defend in the long and difficult road of the progress of the people. We ask the people of the world to help and make their respective governments understand and support these objectives, without the slightest compromise, in order to the democratic cause of America.

Thus, we warn the world of the dangers facing Cuba, and to the world's aid in the struggle. The Cuban people, their allies and enemies, must unite to defend the principles of freedom and democracy. The struggle is not just for Cuba, but for all Latin America.

The Cuban people, under the guidance of President Batista, are working on the fundamental principles for which Cuban policy was formulated, and that we will continue to defend in the long and difficult road of the progress of the people. We ask the people of the world to help and make their respective governments understand and support these objectives, without the slightest compromise, in order to the democratic cause of America.

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In short, the seven patriots will consider as a military objective the armed insurrection and subdue the Communist regime.

There are grounds that they might be in compliance with the surrender that constitutes the foundation and reason for being of this organization to hang by means of their Atoms. This surrender that is obligatory with the extra-continental intervention that our country is suffering. In the name of the硫酸, we declare conveniently to the "Declaration of Liberty of the Free" signed in Flo by the countries of the American Atlantic, we solicit the #7 military help necessary for the one that is sustained against extra-continental intervention.

17 September 1952
Puerto Rico

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3. There is growing belief that BUTTIEREZ REMEDIOS IS MILITARY CHIEF ALPHA-66. This, plus feeling by some exiles that ALPHA-66 approach serving Castro interests, has given rise speculation that ALPHA-66 IS CASTRO CONTROLLED. At moment, however, this only typical Cuban exile mental gymnastics with no evidence to support.

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SUBJECT: CURRENT PLANS OF ALPHA 66

1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE AGENCY OF ISSUE THE MESSAGE.

2. THERE IS GROWING BELIEF AMONG CUBAN EXILES THAT ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOY IS MILITARY CHIEF OF ALPHA 66.

3. IN A REPORT DATED 9 OCTOBER 1962 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION INDICATING ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOY AND THE SEGUNDO FREnte NACIONAL DEL ESCAMB...
(SFNDE) Possibly Behind Alpha 66.

A. **Alpha 66** and **SFNDE**, under the leadership of **Gutierrez Menoyo**, had joined forces in September 1962. The SFNDE was content to remain in background and leave publicity to Alpha 66.

B. **Rufio Lopez Fresquez**, former minister of treasury for Castro, originated the idea for Alpha 66. He conceived the idea of an anonymous organization as a vehicle to allow Gutierrez Menoyo and SFNDE to operate against Cuba. He said the lack of sympathy and hostile opposition on part of exiles would make it impossible collect necessary funds if it known Gutierrez SFNDE behind operation. Lopez reportedly worked jointly with Antonio Veciana Blanch and other unidentified persons in organizing the two part group. The overt side was entrusted with propaganda and collection of funds. The covert or military side, which was to remain anonymous, is reported to consist of SFNDE personnel.
4. IN SAME REPORT OF 8 OCTOBER 1962 USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTED FOLLOWING:

A. ANTONIO VECIANA CONCEIVED IDEA FOR ALPHA 66. PUERTO RICO WAS SELECTED AS NERVE CENTER FOR ALPHA 66 BECAUSE CUBANS THERE ARE DIVORCED FROM MIAMI EXILE CLIMATE AND POSSIBLY HAD DIFFERENT BELIEFS; CUBANS THERE OCCUPIED MORE RESPONSIBLE POSITIONS AND IT BELIEVED ALPHA 66 WOULD FIND ATMOSPHERE IN PUERTO RICAN EXILE CIRCLE MORE FAVORABLE TO OBJECTIVES OF GROUP. IT IS KNOWN THAT VECIANA WAS COLLECTOR FOR SFNDE AND THAT HE VERY CLOSE TO MEMBERS THAT GROUP.
IT RUMORED IN EXILE CIRCLES MIAMI GUTIERREZ MENOYO WILL SOON ANNOUNCE HE CHIEF OF ACTION FOR ALPHA 66.

B. ALPHA 66 COLLECTION COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED IN MIAMI

C. COLLECTION COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED IN NEW YORK, LOS ANGELES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, ATLANTA, AND PALM BEACH.
5. Another report dated 8 October 1962 reported an F8F aircraft pad landed in Fort Lauderdale on 28 September 1962 which was possibly connected with Alpha 88. Local Customs was advised and have had the aircraft under surveillance.

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THREE SMALL CRAFT, ONE 48 FOOT, ONE 30 FOOT, AND ONE 26 FOOT
ALSO ALLEGEDLY CONNECTED WITH ALPHA 66. A 26 FOOT CRAFT LOCATED AT MARATHON POSSIBLY BELONGS TO ALPHA 66.

7. THE NAMES IN THIS REPORT HAVE NOT BEEN FULLY PROCESSED. ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEES. THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEES MAY HAVE OR DEVELOP ON THE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS IN CONNECTION WITH SUBJECT.

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ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO AND SEGUNDO FREnte NACIONAL
DEL ESG - BRAY (SFNDE) POSSIBLY BEHIND ALPHA 66.

A. SFNDE AND A-65, UNDER GUTIERREZ MENOYO LEADERSHIP, JOINED FORCES IN SEPT 62. SFNDE CONTENT
REMAIN BACKGROUND AND LEAVE PUBLICITY TO A-66. IT POSSIBLE A-66'S STRIKE CAYO FRANCES MAY HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED IN CONJUNCTION SFNDE PERSONNEL.

B. EX-Castro MIN OF TREASURY RUFO (LOPEZ) FRESQUEL ORIGINATOR ALPHA 55 IDEA. LOPEZ CONCEIVED "ANONYMOUS" ORG AS VEHICLE TO ALLOW GUTIERREZ MENOYO AND SFNDE TO OPERATE AGAINST CUBA. SAID LACK OF SYMPATHY AND EVEN HOSTILE OPPOSITION ON PART OF EXILES WOULD MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE COLLECT NECESSARY FUNDS IN KNOWN GUTIERREZ AND

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SFNDE BEHIND OP. LOPEZ WORKED JOINTLY WITH ANTONIO VECIANA BLANCO AND OTHER UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS IN ORGANIZING TWO PART GROUP. OVERT SIDE ENTRUSTED WITH PROP AND COLLECTION OF FUNDS. COVERT OR MILITARY SIDE TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS. HOWEVER, SAID TO BE MADE UP OF SFNDE PERSONNEL.

C. SFNDE Personnel make up military side A-66. Org. Heavily compartmented and personnel to take part in actions not forewarned until last moment.

D. ANTONIO VECIANA CONCEIVED IDEA A-66. PUERTO RICO SELECTED AS NERVE CENTER A-66 BECAUSE CUBANS THERE DIVORCED FROM MIAMI. EXILE CLIMATE AND POSSIBLY HAD DIFFERENT BELIEFS, CUBANS THERE OCCUPIED MORE RESONSIBLE POSITIONS AND IT BELIEVED A-66 WOULD FIND ATMOSPHERE PUERTO RICAN EXILE CIRCLE MORE FAVORABLE TO OBJECTIVES OF GROUP. IT KNEW VECIANA WAS COLLECTOR FOR SFNDE AND HE VERY CLOSE TO MEMBERS THAT GROUP.

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FBF PILOT MADE QUERY LOCAL FAA RE FERRY AUTHORITY

FBF TO LOUISIANA. SURVEILLANCE OF AIRCRAFT REVEALED WOULD TAKE APPROX
3 HRS WORK RE ASSEMBLY PARTS WHICH HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM AIR

CRFT. LOCAL CUSTOMS WORKING WITH BORDER PATROL AND HAVE UNDER

SURVEILLANCE FBF AND 26 FT BOAT. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO

STOP DEPARTURE OF SAME.

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1. ALPHA 66, an anti-Castro organization was founded by Antonio Carlos Yescosa Blanch, a public accountant, President of the Habana Public Accountants' Association, Comptroller of the Financiero Bank which was owned by Julio Lobo, and former Group Chief of Banking Inspection at the National Bank of Cuba. Puerto Rico was selected as the country in which the organization would be founded primarily because the Cuban exiles in Puerto Rico held prominent positions and had better incomes than exiles in the Miami area, and secondly because the attitude of Cubans in Puerto Rico was slightly different from those in Miami.

3. There is some probability that Gutierrez might at any moment reveal himself as the actual leader of the ALPHA 66.
4. What might be called the executive committee of ALPHA 66 sits in Puerto Rico and consists of representatives from among the first 66 individuals who joined the organization.

5. The organization effort in Puerto Rico was aided to a great extent by Juan Jose Maraboto, who despite having political principles coinciding with those of Manuel Ray Rivero, gave the ALPHA 66 group financial assistance and did a certain amount of public relations work on behalf of ALPHA 66 within the circle of Cubans to which he belongs in Puerto Rico.

6. In addition to the so-called executive committee, there is a Collections Committee which has its base in Miami.

7. There are also committees in various cities in the United States.

8. Following the attack by the ALPHA 66 group against shipping along the coast of Cuba, there was considerable Miami press interest in activities of the ALPHA 66 group. A TV interview was arranged on Channel 10 and Channel 4 in Miami at which ALPHA 66 members were invited guests. The individuals appeared anonymously; on Channel 4 it was Manuel Alvarez Alfonso, a public accountant who formerly worked at the Cuban Continental Bank; and on Channel 10, Pedro Nuina, a public accountant and "top man" in the Miami area with respect to making collections for the ALPHA 66 and Jose Manuel Gutierrez, former President of the Habana Rotary. None of the three is a leader within the framework of ALPHA 66, and it is believed that the actual leadership selected these individuals to "front" for ALPHA 66 and to take off some of the newspaper pressure following the Calharias incident.
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WIRE SERVICE STORY THAT ALPHA 66 RAIDED CUBAN AND SOVIET POSITIONS ISABELA DE SAGUA AREA KILLING APPROXIMATELY 20 PERSONS INCLUDING SOVIETs.

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ABOVE ATTACK CARRIED OUT EITHER 8 OR 9 OCTOBER BY 10-15 MEMBERS A-66 ARMED WITH 2 BAZOOKAS AND SMALL ARMS WHO LANDED AT MIDNIGHT NEAR ISABELA DE SAGUA. THEY ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE KILLED SEVERAL CUBAN MILITIEN AND POSSIBLY SOME SOVIETS AND TO HAVE ATTACKED AN AMMUNITION DUMP AFTER WHICH THEY ESCAPED TO PUERTO RICO, WITH A FEW OF THEIR OWN MEN WOUNDED.

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1. ALL PRESS CARRYING DETAILS OF CSIAID 8 OCT WHICH RELEASED BY VECIANA NIGHT 9 OCT. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MASS RALLY BE HELD 13 OCT.

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1. While A-66 rally fairly well attended (about 2000) it was disappointment since no trophies exhibited except one Cuban and one "Russian flag which appeared brand new. In addition A-66 unable explain why "Russian" flag bore white hammer and sickle instead of gold. Reason for absence arms was Police ban but neither were photographs available.

2. Widespread skepticism latest A-66 claims. Story of escape after two-hour fire fight hard to swallow.


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DATE: 15 OCT 62
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1. Supt P R Police affirms that no arms confiscated.

2. Police suggested to Alpha-66 reps they photograph arms and present photos at rally. Manner in which Alpha-66 waffled causes police somewhat share growing belief there are no arms.

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CUBA

IMPENDING ALPHA 66 ATTACK ON LAS VILLAS PROVINCE

DATE DISTR. 21 OCTOBER 1962

DATE OF INFO. REFERENCES IN 3217

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1. THE ALPHA 66 GROUP PLANS TO ATTACK THE MILITIA CAMP NEAR YAGUAJAY ON THE NORTHEAST COAST OF LAS VILLAS PROVINCE, CUBA. THE ATTACK IS TO TAKE PLACE "VERY SOON".

DISSENT: CINCINLANT CINCARB.

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1. OPERATION ALPHA 66, AN ACTIVE CUBAN COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY GROUP, IS PLANNING AN ACTION AGAINST AN UNSPECIFIED POINT ON THE ISLAND OF CUBA DURING THE WEEK OF 22 OCTOBER. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT THIS WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN 22 AND 24 OCTOBER.

2. COMMENT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN THE EXACT DATE FOR THIS VENTURE, THE AREA OF THE SPECIFIC TARGET, NOR THE NATURE OF THE ACTION WHICH WAS PLANNED.

3. DISSEMINATE COAST GUARD, IMMIGRATION.
TO: Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attention: Mr. S. J. Papich

FROM: Deputy Director (Plan)

SUBJECT: Alpha 66 - Organization and Plans

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1. References is made to this Agency's teletype CUT 84747 of 6 October 1962, subject: Current Plans of Alpha 66.

2. The following information concerning Alpha 66, a Cuban revolutionary group, was received:

a. Alpha 66 is incorporated under the laws of Puerto Rico and is comprised of Cuban certified public accountants in exile, for the most part living in San Juan, but with some representatives in New York and Miami. It is dedicated to sabotage, harassment and similar hit and run type commando operations against the Castro regime in Cuba and intends to carry out six to eight such forays in the coming months. The first of these is reportedly already planned in detail and will go into effect in the not too distant future, stemming from some undisclosed island base in the Caribbean. This organization has no political aspirations and does not look forward to any position or representation in a postwar Cuban provisional government.

b. To date all of the support for this organization has come primarily from private sources and they are anxious to accept contributions from any interested supporter. They have no aversion to working with the United

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States Government if it will serve their best interests, however, with or without United States Government coordination and/or support they intend to go ahead with their plans. This organization does need more money and equipment for future operations which may have to wait until they can get the resources that they need. Their criticism to date of all other Cuban exile groups is that they have wanted power, money, and position. Because this group wants none of these, except supplies and cash to get their harassment projects underway, they are, therefore, only telling what they must to convince interested helpers of their seriousness and intent and will disclose only what they consider most of their plans to assure them success of this purely aggressive, retaliatory, harassment organization. They claim they want nothing to do with the student group organization which recently shelled Habana. As ex-CPA's their very businesslike manner requires them to give receipts for any funds received for help.

e. They now have enough supplies to carry out their first operations successfully, and maybe one other. The organization purchased these supplies in Europe to avoid being identified with strictly United States support and endorsement. They have approximately $36,000.00 which they collected from private, business subscribers, but obviously need more to go ahead after the first attack. At the present time they have one boat, but need more for future operations. They plan to use six to ten men per operation, and all of their training has so far been carried out in Puerto Rico. One of their first operations is to blow up all the power stations in Cuba.

d. Their personnel in the executive or leadership phase, although some are doubtless in the operational phase as well, are as follows:

(1) In New York their leader is Alberto Gutiárez de la Sában who's employed by the magazine Bohemia and Candidado, in the Lincoln Building, as treasurer. (sic)
(2) In San Juan, Puerto Rico, the leader is Jeronimo ESTEVEZ. He was a former leader of the Catholic Family group in Cuba. (sic)

(3) Another officer in New York is Ramon PEREZ Daple, office manager of the company Giarratia, and Antonio YECIDVA Blanch, vice treasurer. (sic)

(4) Other officers in Puerto Rico are Dr. Jael JAMES, an acoustician, J. J. MURABOTTO, former vice president of the Trust Company of Cuba, and Roberto CASTELLON.

(5) Still other members in Puerto Rico are Ricardo GONZALES, Pedro MUNA, and Father Miguel HERNANDEZ (a Catholic priest). Their positions are not known.

6. In addition to the officers in New York and San Juan which are listed above, they have a hard core of forty five combat personnel trained in guerrilla operations who are now in Puerto Rico awaiting their go-ahead signal. They also have two ex-army men from Cuba, a former British officer who later was in CASTRO's original army, and the other a Castro officer who is known as the military commander and operations officer, who have directed the training and will carry out the operations when ready.

4. Records of this Agency reveal that one Antonio Carlos YECIDVA Blanch, probably identical with Antonio YECIDVA Blanch, was born on 18 October 1922 in Cuba. YECIDVA's connection with the Alpha 66 organisation was clarified in this Agency's teletype OUT 74604 of 9.
September 1962.

8. This Agency's records reveal that Pedro MUINA Gomez, probably identical with Pedro MUINA above, was born on 19 January 1929, in Habana, Cuba. His occupation was listed as public accountant and at one time he was at one time the president of the association of Cuban automotive financiers, vice president of Interamericas, B.A., and Director of Automotrices Internacionales, B.A. Re: connection with anti-Castro group Alpha 66.

9. This office has no further pertinent identifiable information on the above individuals. Any additional information which may come to the attention of this Agency will be forwarded to the addressees.

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE IMMINENT ANTI-CASTRO RAIDS ON CUBA

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1. ANTI-CASTRO GROUP KNOWN AS THE CHRISTIAN YOUTH GROUP WAS
PLANNING A RAID AGAINST THE SANTA CRUZ DISTILLERY ON OR ABOUT
22 OCTOBER 1962. COMMENT: DISTILLERY PROBABLY LOCATED AT
SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE.

2. FIVE
EXILE GROUPS HAVE AGREED TO COORDINATE THEIR SEPARATELY PLAN
ACTIONS AGAINST CUBA TO OCCUR SIMULTANEously ABOUT 2130 HOURS
(LOCAL) ON 23 OCTOBER 1962. THE EXILE GROUPS ARE (1) THE CHRISTIA
YOUTH GROUP, (2) ALPHA 66, (3) A GROUP LET BY JOSE BALULTO LEON
WHO WAS A CREW MEMBER ON THE 23 AUGUST 1962 DIRECTORIO REVOLUCIONARIO ESTUDIANTIL (DRE) RAID ON HABANA, (4) A GROUP LED BY SANTIAGO ALVAREZ, JR., WHO WAS A CREW MEMBER ON THE 11 SEPTEMBER 1962 ALPHA 66 RAID, AND (5) AN UNKNOWN GROUP.

This unknown group (5) will accomplish an exfiltration action.

3. This office has no further information on the above actions. Any additional information will be promptly forwarded to addressees. This agency will appreciate receipt of any information addressees may develop on the above.

4. The above information is being made available to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, to the Bureau of Customs, and to the Bureau of International Programs of the Department of Commerce.

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C H I J K N
1. There is no organized clandestine movement in Oriente Province at this time which has sufficient personnel to accomplish an effective act against the Castro regime. Though there are Cubans who mentally oppose the regime, and are mentally aligned with certain revolutionary movements, they are not so brave as to translate their thoughts into any effective action against the Castro regime.

2. This is the result of various factors, such as the violent repression by the regime against all revolutionary attempts; the total abandonment with which those in exile have treated the Cuban underground, making it function for a long time on the basis of...
OF PROMISES WHICH WERE NEVER KEPT; AND TO ALL THIS WE MUST ADD THAT
THE FORMER CHIEFS OF THE UNDERGROUND ARE EITHER IMPRISONED OR DEAD,
AND THAT THE INDIVIDUALS WHO NOW OCCUPY THESE POSITIONS DO IT IN
A NOTHAN NATURE, WITH THE SINGLE OBJECTIVE THAT THE DIRECTION OF
THE MOVEMENTS NOT BE WITHOUT A HEAD, BUT WITH ABSOLUTELY NO
ACTIVITY.

3. THE REPEATED POSTPONEMENT OF THE SOLUTION OF THE CUBAN
PROBLEM BY THE AMERICAN DIRECTION HAS NOW CREATED A FEELING OF
DISILLUSIONMENT OR DEFEATISM AMONG THE POPULATION, WHICH LEADS
IT TO REMAIN APART FROM ANY CLANDESTINE ACTION AGAINST THE REGIME
DUE TO FEAR OF AGAIN BEING ABANDONED IN THE Undertaking.

4. IN THIS FORM, WITH THE PASSING OF THE LAST MONTHS, THE
POPULATION IS HARBORING A FEELING OF RESENTMENT AGAINST THE UNITED
STATES, AND IT SAYS THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DOESN'T GIVE THEM
ASSISTANCE FOR THEM TO LIBERATE THEMSELVES, IN THE SAME PROPORTION AS
THE USSR GIVES ASSISTANCE TO CASTRO TO OPPRESS THEM.

5. THE FIGHT WAGED BY THE POPULATION AGAINST THE CASTRO REGIME
HAS BEEN SO INTENSE SINCE CASTRO INITIATED HIS MOST VIOLENT PHASE
OF OPPRESSION, AND THE POPULATION HAS COUNTED ON SO LITTLE RESOURCES
IN THEIR FIGHT, AND THE SPIRITUAL FORCES WHICH GAVE THEM IMPULSE
TO FIGHT ARE BEING WEAKENED AT SUCH A FAST RATE, THAT A LARGE PART
OF THE MOST VALUABLE MEMBERS OF THE RESISTANCE TODAY ONLY THINK
IN LEAVING THE ISLAND BY ANY MEANS AND SAVING THEIR FAMILIES, THERE IS SO MUCH DISCOURAGEMENT THAT THE GENERAL SAYING -- INCLUDING THAT OF THE CUBAN WORKERS WHO ENTER THE US NAVAL BASE AT GUANTANAMO EVERY MORNING -- IS THE FOLLOWING: "PRACTICALLY EVERYTHING IS LOST."

6. IN THE MIDST OF THIS DESPERATE SITUATION ONE BEGINS TO NOTICE THE SLOW REBIRTH OF A RAY OF HOPE AS RESULT OF THE RECENT WAR ACTIONS ACCOMPLISHED BY THE OPERATION ALPHA 66. EVERYONE ASKS WHAT IT IS, THEY ARE ALL WATCHING THE NEWS OR WAR BULLETINS ISSUED BY THIS NEW SECRET ORGANIZATION, THROUGH "RADIO AMERICA" AND "RADIO CARIBE SANTO DOMINGO". EVERY DAY THEY WAIT FOR NEW ACTIONS BY THE ORGANIZATION, AND THEY FILL WITH JOY AS RESULT OF THE ACTIONS WHICH ARE REALLY ACCOMPLISHED AND WHICH THE COMMUNIST RADIO OF CUBA TAKES CARE OF CONFIRMING.

7. IN THE END, AS THIS ORGANIZATION SPEAKS THE WAR LANGUAGE WHICH THE PEOPLE LIKE TO HEAR, THIS ORGANIZATION IS BEGINNING TO LIFT THE SPIRITS WHICH WERE ON THE FLOOR. THE POPULARITY WHICH THIS ORGANIZATION IS GAINING IS SUCH, THAT ANY ACTION ACCOMPLISHED BY ANOTHER ORGANIZATION, INDIVIDUAL, OR GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS, IS CREDITED TO ALPHA 66 BY THE POPULATION. THE INTENSIVE AND WELL DIRECTED PROPAGANDA WHICH THAT ORGANIZATION ENJOYS, ESPECIALLY THROUGH "RADIO AMERICA", HAS A LOT TO DO IN THIS.
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1. ALPHA-66 MEMBERS LEFT AN UNDETERMINED LOCATION ON THE
EVENING OF 21 OCTOBER 1962 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DESTROYING A LAND
TARGET IN CUBA. THE UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ALPHA-66 MEMBERS USED TWO
BOATS; A 25-FOOT MOPPY AND A 20-FOOT CRAFT, ONE OF WHICH WAS
QUIPPED WITH RADIO AND IN CONTACT WITH MIAMI.

BIF 2. ON 23 OCT 62, ONE OF THE ALPHA-66 SPONSORS
REPORTED BY TELEPHONE THAT BOTH BOATS WERE OVERDUE, AND THAT
RADIO CONTACT WITH THESE CRAFT HAD BEEN LOST AS OF EARLY 22
OCTOBER.

C. 3. DISSEM: NAVY, COAST GUARD.
END OF MESSAGE

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1. A 26-foot long boat with members of Operation Alpha-66 departed Florida sometime during night of 23 October or early morning of 24 October for the purpose of raiding a sugar mill at Punta Alegre (N 22°24'; W 78°47') east of Cabarren, Las Villas Province.

2. The boat will use fuel which has previously been cached at Anguila Key.

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SUBJECT: ALPHA 66

1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THIS AGENCY'S TELETYPING MESSAGE,
OUT NO. 89884 OF 22 OCTOBER 1962, SUBJECT: POSSIBLE IMMINENT ANTI-
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That both boats were found abandoned and in a state of partial decay. These craft had been lost as of early 22 October.

6. This Office has no further information on the above actions. Any additional information will be promptly forwarded to addressees. This agency will appreciate receipt of any information addressees may develop on the above.

6. The above information is being made available to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, to the Bureau of Customs, and to the Bureau of International Programs of the Department of Commerce.

End of message
1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THIS AGENCY'S TELETYPE MESSAGE, OUT NO. 00636 OF 24 OCTOBER 1962, SUBJECT AS ABOVE.

2. [REDACTED] MEMBERS OF ALPHA 66 DEPARTED FLORIDA DURING NIGHT OF 23 OCTOBER OR EARLY MORNING OF 24 OCTOBER IN A 28 FOOT BOAT. THE GROUP PLANNED TO RAID A SUGAR MILL AT [REDACTED] LAS VILLAS PROVINCE.

3. THE BOAT REPORTEDLY WILL USE FUEL WHICH PREVIOUSLY HAD BEEN CACHED AT ANGUILLA KEY.

4. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OBTAINED CONCERNING THE

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ABOVE SUBJECT WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEES.
THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION
ADDRESSEES MAY DEVELOP ON THE ABOVE.

5. THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE
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3. I have no information regarding subsequent security measures, efforts of group members to act against La Tablita after the attack.

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1. ON 2 OCT ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO LEFT FOR CAZO SAL. ONE OF THE BOATS WHICH TOOK GUTIERREZ AND SOME OF HIS ASSOCIATES TO THIS KEY RETURNED TO FLORIDA, HOWEVER AS OF 19 OCT THIS BOAT HAD ONCE AGAIN DEPARTED.

2. THIS BOAT WAS SUPPOSED TO RE-MEET WITH ELOY GUTIERREZ AT ORANGE KEY, A KEY ABOUT 60 MILES EAST OF MARATHON IN THE FLORIDA KEYS, AND THE KEY TO WHICH GUTIERREZ AND ABOUT 70 MEN HAD MOVED DURING THE INTERVENING PERIOD.

3. BOATS FROM THE MIAMI AREA ARE SUPPLYING GUTIERREZ AND HIS
GROUP WITH ARMS AND PROVISIONS. GUTIERREZ IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS WITH INDIVIDUALS IN THE MIAMI AREA.

5. AS OF ABOUT 24 OCTOBER THERE WAS SOME DEGREE OF DISSENSION AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE GUTIERREZ PARTY. SOME OF THE GROUP WANTED TO CONTINUE WITH THE ORIGINAL PLAN FOR THE RAID, AND OTHERS BELIEVED THAT CANCELLATION WAS IN ORDER. THIS DISSENSION WAS OF SUCH A DEGREE THAT SHOTS HAVE BEEN EXCHANGED AND THERE ARE ALLEGED TO BE SOME DEATHS.

6. DISSENSE CONTINUES.

END OF MESSAGE
2. ATTACKS ON SHIPPING BY SUCH GROUPS AS ALPHA 66 WORRY THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAY THAT CUBA CANNOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE SHIPS AND FEAR, THEREFORE, THAT SHIPS MAY NOT WANT TO GO TO CUBA.
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SUBJECT: ALPHA 66

RECENTLY DEVELOPED IN THE ALPHA 66 RANKS Owing TO THE
DECEPTIVE TACTICS OF ANTONIO VECIANA BLANCH, A FOUNDER OF
ALPHA 66. SINCE THE CREATION OF ALPHA 66 VECIANA HAS BEEN
SECRETLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE SEGUNDO FREnte DEL ESCAMBRAY
(SFDE) BUT DID NOT REVEAL THE RELATIONSHIP TO THE MEMBERS OF
ALPHA 66. VECIANA HANDLED ALL FUND DISPERSMENTS AND ALWAYS
SPOKE OF FINANCING ANOTHER GROUP BUT ALPHA 66 MEMBERS
THOUGHT THE OTHER GROUP WAS A PART OF ALPHA 66. (CONTINUED)
VECIANA'S SECRET RELATIONSHIP WAS NOT REVEALED UNTIL LATE OCTOBER 1963 WHEN VECIANA AND ARMANDO PELLEGRINI, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE SEDE, OFFERED THEIR SERVICES AND RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS TO JOSE MORA CARBONDA, HEAD OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL. THEY TOLD MORA THAT BOTH ORGANIZATIONS HAD BEEN DESTROYED, AND THEY HAD DONE THE PLANNING FOR ALMA 66, THE SEDE AND THEIR ORGANIZATIONS, TO UNDERGO A PACT AND PERFORM THE REPRESENTATION OF MIROG-SEDE AND SEDE OPERATIONS AGAINST CUBA, AS THEY HAD BEEN ENGINEERS TO SEVERAL ALMA 66 MEMBERS. FURTHER MORE, THE SEDE SUBSEQUENTLY TRAVELED TO SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, TO ALMA 66 MEMBERS' MEETINGS. MIROG-SEDE AND SEDE AGREED TO BREAK WITH THE COOPERATION THEY REFUSED TO DO AND FURTHER ALMA 66 MEMBERS AND FINANCIAL SPONSORS JOINED. THE MIROG-SEDE SUBSEQUENTLY TRAVELED TO SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, TO ALMA 66 MEMBERS' MEETINGS.
APPEAL HIS CASE TO ALPHA 66 SPONSORS THERE, BUT HIS EFFORTS FAILED. AN ACCOUNTING OF FUNDS SHOWED HE DIVERTED $27,000 TO THE SFDE OUT OF THE TOTAL ALPHA 66 FUND OF $37,000.

3. ALPHA 66 IS NOW COMPLETELY DIVORCED FROM THE SFDE; IT IS APOLITICAL; SEeks ONLY TO FIGHT CASTRO THROUGH MILITARY ENDEAVOR; UNDER THE CHARTER NO MEMBER CAN HOLD OFFICE IN A FUTURE CUBAN GOVERNMENT; AND THE TOTAL STRENGTH OF THE ORGANIZATION IS NOW TWENTY. ALPHA 66 IS PRESENTLY INSOLVENT AND HOPES TO BEGIN AN INTENSIVE APPEAL FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS SOON. ALL ALPHA 66 EQUIPMENT WAS LOST ON THE ILL-FATED 23-24 OCTOBER 1962 ATTEMPTED RAID TO SABOTAGE SUGAR BARGES OFF CAYO SANTA MARIA. BECAUSE OF ROUGH SEAS, BOTH ALPHA 66 XN BOATS SANK NEAR THE LIGHTHOUSE ON CAYO CAIMAN GRANDE. THE MEn SWAM ASHORE, STOLE A BOAT, AND RETURNED SAFE

4. ALL ALPHA 66 OPERATIONS ARE CARRIED OUT FROM MIAMI, AND EXTREME CARE IS EXERCISED TO KEEP THIS FACT A SECRET. ALPHA 66 HAS ALSO USED CAYO ANGUILA AS AN OPERATIONAL BASE, BUT (CONTINUED).

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WILL CHANGE SOON TO ANDROS ISLAND. THE MEMBERS HOPE TO BUY A MOTHER SHIP IN THE FUTURE TO SERVE AS A MOBILE BASE. THEY ALSO NEED A BOAT CAPABLE OF FORTY TO FIFTY KNOTS SPEED AND EQUIPPED WITH RADIO AND RADAR FOR FAST OPERATIONS. ASSORTED ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES ARE ALSO NEEDED TO CONDUCT EFFECTIVE RAIDING.

6. THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE, TO THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, TO THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AND TO THE U.S. COAST GUARD.

END OF MESSAGE
1. ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND

Alpha 66, an anti-Castro group, was organized in May 1962 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Initial public statements indicated Alpha 66 stood for 66 men and $66,000 to conduct militant operations to undermine Fidel Castro's communist regime.

2. HEADQUARTERS

The principal center of Alpha 66 activities (meetings, speeches, fundraising activities, announcements, etc.) has been San Juan, Puerto Rico. Raids and militant operations against Cuba have originated and been staged from Miami, Florida.

3. LEADERSHIP

Antonio FEIGA Blanch has been the leading spokesman for Alpha 66. He was formerly a banking executive of the Banco Financiero, Havana, Cuba.

4. ACTIVITIES

Alpha 66 has conducted two raids and attempted a third against the Cuban mainland. On 11 September 1962 and Alpha 66 boat conducted a raid near Guantanamo, Cuba. They attempted to sink a permanently anchored molasses/sugar sap barge by dumping a ten pound bomb through a port hole. The bomb failed to explode, and in escaping from the area they used small arms to fire at a British freighter which was nearby. On 8 October 1962 an Alpha 66 boat conducted a raid near Sagua la Grande, Cuba. The target for this raid was a Soviet ship. The party then went ashore. The true story of what happened ashore is not known. The raiders claimed they bombed a railroad warehouse and shot 22 persons, including five Soviet bloc personnel. On 23-26 October 1962 two Alpha 66 boats sank in rough seas enroute to a raid near Guantanamo, Cuba. The raiders claimed they swam ashore (Cuba) stole a sailboat, and returned to Cayo Ancilla.

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6. FINANCES

Approximately $311,000 was collected in fund raising campaigns. As of late October 1962, $277,000 had been expended.

7. RELATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Reliable information indicates Antonio VECIABA Blanch was forced to resign from Alpha 66 in late October 1962. It appears that since the creation of Alpha 66, VECIABA has been covertly associated with the Segundo Frente Del Escambray (SFDE), and Eloy GUTIERREZ Kenoyo, head of the SFDE, was behind both organizations (Alpha 66 and SFDE). When VECIABA's covert association with the SFDE and GUTIERREZ came to light, Alpha 66 members felt they had been deceived, and VECIABA was forced to resign.
Request for Identity of Unknown Member of Movimiento Pro Independencia de Puerto Rico Organization

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4. Attached is information on Juan MARI B-48s and the MPI furnished by FBI.

END OF DISPATCH
On June 26, 1949, Juan Mari Braga, Secretary General of the MRF, visited Puerto Rico.

The MRF, known as the Puerto Rican Independence Movement, officially came into being at the MRF Constituent Convention on November 29, 1949, at Peñas Blanca, Puerto Rico. It was formed by a group of former leaders of the "leftist" independence groups, who were disenfranchised by the Puerto Rican people with the ideal of Puerto Rican independence.

Although the MRF does not advocate violence, it will accept anyone who believes in the use of violence provided that they agree with the MRF's Declaration of Principles. The organization's members, both actively and passively, may take action in their own struggle for independence.

Speaking on behalf of himself and his organization, Braga said that the MRF is not concerned with issues of power and does not support violence in their struggle for independence. However, he recognized the need for social, political, and economic change on the Island.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. The MRF headquarters are located in this city. The organization has a number of branch offices in different parts of the Island.

Among the members of the MRF, three main groups are represented: the Nationalist Party, the Puerto Rican People's Party, and the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico. As mentioned, these groups are seeking independence for Puerto Rico, including the municipality of Puerto Rico and its capital.

The MRF has been designated as a terrorist organization by the United States government, and its members are subject to criminal prosecution in the United States. The MRF has been designated as a terrorist organization by the United States government, and its members are subject to criminal prosecution in the United States.
**REST OF ALPHA-66 MEMBERS PLANNING FORMATION NEW ORGANIZATION UNDER NAME COMANDO-66. NEW GROUP ONLY OBJECTIVE WILL BE RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT WORTHY ACTION GROUPS LIKE D.R.E.**

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b. Once Soviet missiles have been removed from Cuba, and there is a definite indication of cessation of US forces surveillance of the island by Naval blockade or overflights of aerial reconnaissance, Alpha 66 intends to renew armed activity with intensity, on land and by sea. Their capability is presently for at least five more raids, with sufficient funds and arms to carry out with guaranteed degree of success.

c. Alpha 66 is satisfied that present US action and intentions are directed in favor of the Cuban future. Should US military movements indicate a discontinuance of watchdog action which has currently neutralized Castro's expansion of force and Communist doctrine, Alpha 66 will take matters into their own hands for whatever harassment purpose it may serve.

2. (Redacted)

3. (Redacted)

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SUBJECT: ALPHA 68

1. OUT 97531, DATED 12 NOVEMBER 1962, SUBJECT ALPHA 68.

2. (CONTINUE)

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4. The rest of the Alpha 66 members are planning the formation of a new organization under the name of Omega 66. The only objective of the new group will be to raise funds to support worthy action groups like the Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil.

5. Any further information received concerning the above subject will be promptly forwarded to addressees. This agency will appreciate receipt of any information addressees may develop on this above subject.

6. The above information is being made available to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, to the Bureau of Customs, to the Bureau of International Programs of the Department of Commerce, and to the U.S. Coast Guard.
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INFORMED OF A SPLIT IN THE GROUP, BASED
PRIMARILY ON FEUD OVER INCLUSION OF MAN NAMED MENCHY, WHO WAS BROUGHT
BY VENCIANA OF THE SAN JUAN LEADERSHIP GROUP, WHO "OWNED" THE CORPO-
RATE NAME OF ALPHA 66, AND ITS RELATED MONEY AND EQUIPMENT.

1. MENCHY IS CONSIDERED BY THE BREAK-AWAY GROUP TO BE AN OPPORTUNIST
AS WELL AS SUSPECT OF "PINK" TINTS. THIS LATTER FACTION
HAS BROKEN AWAY PENDING RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES.

2. MEANWHILE, THE HOLDING FORCE OF ALPHA 66, UNDER VENCIANA, CLAIMS
ENOUGH MONEY LEFT FOR AT LEAST ONE MORE STRIKE, AND PEOPLE MUST CARRY IT
OUT.
1. FURTHER ON ALPHA-66.

VENCIANA AND MENYO WALKED OUT ON THE ORIGINAL GROUP AFTER
SPLIT IN THE ORGANIZATION, AND RETIRED TO PUERTO RICO WITH THE COR-
PORATE NAME AND WITH WHAT MONEY ALPHA 66 HAD IN THE BANK. THEY ARE NOW
TRYING TO RAISE MORE MONEY WITH LITTLE SUCCESS. THEY HAVE NO BOATS OR
EQUIPMENT TO CARRY OUT FURTHER RAIDS AT THIS TIME, AND NO GREAT SUPPORT
FOR THEIR EFFORTS.

2. THE REBEL LOCATION OF ALPHA-66 WHO

THE REBEL FACTION OF ALPHA 66 WHO OPPOSED MENYO, HAVE FORMED
A NEW GROUP NAMED COMMANDO-L-66, AND HAVE ATTRACTED MOST OF ALPHA'S
FORMER AND ORIGINAL MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE EX-MILITARY PEOPLE AND
ACCOUNTANTS. SANDOZ ARANCO, WHO WAS LAST REPORTED BY AS HEAD OF THE
OPPOSITION, IS NOT CONNECTED WITH IT. THEY HAVE A LEADER, WHO HAS NOT
YET REVEALED HIS IDENTITY.

3. THE COMMANDO-L PEOPLE HAVE SOME MONEY, AND ARE MORE SUCCESSFUL
IN RAISING ADDITION FUNDS THAN THE ALPHA 66 GROUP. THEY AND ALSO HEAD
QUARTERED IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, WITH BASES IN THE US INCLUDING
NEW YORK AND FLORIDA. COMMANDO-L HOPES TO HAVE ITS CHAFTER AND
ORGANIZATION COMPLETED THIS YEAR.

4. THE ONLY THING OF VALUE MENLOY WAS ABLE TO TAKE TO ALPHA 66 WAS
AN UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF AMMUNITION AND ARMS, BUT NO BOATS, MEN, OR NEW
MONEY.

P.S.
1. An agreement was made between Alpha 66, Second National Front of the Escambray (SFNE), Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE), and Junta Revolucionaria (JURE) to undertake a series of commando raids against Cuba about 4 or 6 December 1962, weather permitting. These groups reportedly will strike simultaneously against different parts of Cuba in suicide raids for which they have been preparing hurriedly since about 26 November 1962. Source could give no further details.

2. Any further information received concerning the above.

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DISPATCH

Cuban Raider Vessel "Siga:11, Isabella de Saban"

ACTION REQUIRED: FYI

1. boat number "FL-81062" and a crew of three U.S. citizens was reported missing.

Sailed from Miami on 17 November to engage in commercial fishing in the vicinity of Orange Cay, Bahamas. The wreckage of his boat was found between South Riding Rock Cay and Orange Cay in the Bahamas. The "Sea Brighty", a Bahaman fishing boat, found the sunken boat and the crew removed the number plate from the vessel and notified...

2. on 22 or 23 November of the wreckage of the boat unidentified official source in Nassau confirmed the discovery of the boat wreckage. The vessel was reported sunk on 21 November and the crew of the "Sea Brighty" reported leaving a Bahaman fishing schooner in the vicinity of the wreck.

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On the 2 December, he sailed for the Bahamas to secure the area. He arrived at Orange Cay about noon the same day. He discovered two vessels moored approximately 25 yards east of Orange Cay. One of the vessels was a white boat about 25 to 30 feet in length, and a red flag had the following inscription on the stern: "Sigma II, Isabella de Sasa." There were about six Cubans aboard. There was a large framework of the boat built of 2 x 4 planks of lumber and covered with canvas. One of the Cubans aboard the Sigma II was dressed in a blanket as a grey broad and wore a hemp cord around his neck. A sixteen-foot skiff was tied behind the Sigma II. This skiff was grey with a large twenty-five-pound cutlass which was painted black. The last letter in the numbers on the flag read "Florida Tampa" and the letters "13" preceding the number.

5. The second vessel, it is alongside the Sigma II was a Cuban native boat, which was approximately 25 to 30 feet long, and had no mast. There were six Cubans dressed in brown army uniforms aboard. All six were black. This boat had a small green sail tied to a pole.

6. The men aboard, astounded, if they knew anything about the boat. One of the leaders, a man named "Bolito," spoke in Spanish, "Don't you speak English?" They showed their green sail tied to a pole, and the Cuban boat sailed away.

7. The Cubans did not say anything else about the incident, but they admitted the enemy boat and circled his boat. They held up a small flag and shouted, "They are floating on the water." The incident lasted a short time.

8. When the incident was over, the Cuban boat started to sail away, and they did not take any action.

9. The incident lasted a short time, and the boat left the area.

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UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS UNDER DIRECTION
GUTIERREZ HENOYO CARRIED OUT RAID AGAINST PLAYA JUAN FRANCISCO (22-45N 79-35W), CUBA NIGHT 63 DEC 62. RAIDER GROUP USED TWO BOATS, ONE 33 FT. AND OTHER 46 FT., TO CARRY 33 MEN WHO WERE TO BE INFILTRATED INTO CUBA PLUS 15 BOAT CREW MEMBERS. BOATS DEPARTED MARATHON KEY 62 DEC. BELIEVES 38 MEN WERE INFILTRATED AFTER WHICH THE CREW ATTACKED THE BEACH TO CREATE DIVERSION THUS ALLOWING INFILTRATED MEN TO MOVE FREELY OUT OF AREA. ONLY ONE BOAT (NOT SPECIFIED WHICH ONE) RETURNED. WHEREABOUTS OTHER NOT KNOWN.

MIAMI HERALD 6 DEC REPORTED L-66 HAS CLAIMED ITS MEMBERS MADE THE RAID. HERALD ALSO REPORTS, HOWEVER, THAT ALFA-66 (FROM WHICH L-66 SPONSTERED) MIGHT DISPUTE L-66 CLAIM IN ANNOUNCEMENT TO BE MADE SOON.

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4. [Redacted] believes Alpha-66 with Eloy Gutierrez Remuto did. County out raid, probably in manner reported.

5. [Redacted] new raid being planned.

6. For circa 16 Dec., group which generally same as that which shot clean patrol boat 13 Oct.

7. Local customs agent has been advised re para 6 above.

End of message.
UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO CARRIED OUT A RAID AGAINST PLAYA JUAN FRANCISCO (22 DEGREES 43 MINUTES NORTH, 83 DEGREES 38 MINUTES WEST), CUBA, ON THE NIGHT OF 3 DECEMBER 1962. THE RAIDER GROUP USED TWO BOATS, ONE 35 FOOT AND THE OTHER 46 FOOT, TO CARRY 33 MEN WHO WERE TO BE INFILTRATED INTO CUBA PLUS 10 BOAT CREW MEMBERS. THE BOATS DEPARTED MARATHON KEY ON 2 DECEMBER 1962. IT WAS BELIEVED THE MEN WERE
INFLICTED, AFTER WHICH THE CREW ATTACKED THE BEACH TO CREATE A DIVERSION AND THEREFORE ALLOW THE INFILTRATED MEN TO MOVE FREELY OUT OF THE AREA. ONLY ONE BOAT RETURNED, AND THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE OTHER IS NOT KNOWN.


4. ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO AND ANTONIO VECIANA BLANCH HAVE BEEN MENTIONED IN PREVIOUS AGENCY TELETYPE MESSAGES TO ADDRESSEEs. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED BY TF'S AGENCY ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEEs. THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEEs (CONTINUED)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF STATE (SECURITY)
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY: ATTENTION: ACSI, SECURITY DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY: ATTENTION: ONI
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE: ATTENTION: OSI, INSPECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE IMMINENT ANTI-CASTRO RAID ON CUBA

1. A NEW RAID IS BEING PLANNED BY ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN EXILES TO TAKE PLACE ABOUT 16 DECEMBER 1962.

A BOAT LOCATED AT MARATHON KEY WILL BE UTILIZED. THE GROUP INVOLVED IN THE PLANNED RAID IS GENERALLY THE SAME AS THAT WHICH SHOT AT AND SUNK A CUBAN PATROL BOAT ON 13 OCTOBER 1962. IN THIS RAID TWO CUBAN MILITIAMEN WERE CAPTURED FROM THE SINKING PATROL BOAT AND BROUGHT TO THE UNITED STATES.

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