

SUBJECT ALPHA 66

FOIPA ## 235,869

FILE ## 105-112098

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REFERENCES: Report of [REDACTED] dated 4/19/63 at Washington, D.C. WFOairtel and LHM dated 4/23/63. WFOairtel 4/24/63.

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WFO indices indicate that the [REDACTED] mentioned in this report is probably identical with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Cuban Brigade 2506, the last of whose 1,113 Bay of Pigs' prisoners arrived in Miami, Florida, from Havana Cuba, on 12/24/62.

WFO indices contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] mentioned by [REDACTED] and set forth in the body of this report.

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This report has been classified "Confidential" in order to more fully protect the identities of the confidential informants mentioned herein since the information furnished by them could logically lead to their identification and thus compromise their future potential as informants of continuing value.

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Report of: **[REDACTED]**
Date: 4/26/63

Office: Washington, D.C.

Field Office File #: 105-50870

Bureau File #: 105-112098

Title: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
(OPERATION ALPHA 66)

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY-CUBA; REGISTRATION ACT-CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

[REDACTED]
Report related that JOSE ANDRE, leader of
invasion brigade, addressed group at Statler-Hilton
Washington, D.C., on 4/22/63

[REDACTED]
On 4/22/63 **[REDACTED]** denied any connection with subject
organization,

On 4/23/63 **[REDACTED]**

[REDACTED]
on 4/23/63

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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"The Washington Post", a Washington, D.C., morning daily newspaper, published a news item in its April 23, 1963, issue entitled "Cuba Calls Bay of Pigs U.S. Defeat". This item reported that on the evening of April 22, 1963, JOSE ANDREU, one of the leaders of the Cuban invasion brigade, had told an overflow crowd of District Young Republicans at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C., that the failure of the Bay of Pigs invasion was a defeat for the United States. The item described ANDREU as former Chief of Civil Affairs and member of the Cuban Brigade General Staff.

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Date 4/25/63

[redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[redacted] was reminded at the outset of the interview that he is not required to furnish any information, that he has a right to consult an attorney before furnishing any information and any information he might furnish could be used against him in a court of law. [redacted] indicated that he is aware of these rights and that he desired to furnish all the information he has of interest.

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[redacted] stated he is not now and never has been connected, associated with or a member of Operation Alpha 66. He also stated he has never collected any money for Operation Alpha 66.

[redacted]

He also stated that during the period of time that he was in the [redacted] area that is from [redacted] until [redacted] he did not at any time take part in any operations

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by [redacted] and [redacted]

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conducted by Alpha 66 and that he has no knowledge of their operations other than the usual rumors prevalent in the [redacted] area concerning this organization. He stated that one of the reasons why he does not desire to become associated with Operation Alpha 66 is because one of the leaders of this organization [redacted] is an individual who has a reputation of being unreliable and untrustworthy.

He also stated that rumors prevalent in the [redacted] area are that Operation Alpha 66 is no longer active or at the very least has gone underground since the United States Government through the Customs Bureau, INS and the Central Intelligence Agency has discouraged any type "hit and run" operations against the Cuban Government.

[redacted] also stated that he does not know [redacted] the alleged Washington, D. C., representative for Alpha 66. [redacted]

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Following is a physical description of [redacted] as obtained through observation and interrogation:

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Date 4/23/63

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[redacted] having been advised of his right to an attorney, and that he need not make a statement, and that any statement he may make can be used against him in a court of law, and without any threats or promises having been made to him, advised as follows:

[redacted]

[redacted] discussed organizing a committee of people opposed to FIDEL CASTRO. The committee would be to help oust CASTRO.

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[redacted] efforts in this connection were made by talk to the Cuban [redacted] indicating that some help should be afforded exile [redacted] taking action against the regime of [redacted]

The committee was not affiliated with [redacted] any other Cuban exile group.

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[REDACTED] having been advised that he was not required to furnish any information, that he had the right to consult an attorney before furnishing any information, and that any information he might give could be used against him in a court of law, and without any threats or promises having been made to him, furnished the following information. X

[REDACTED] denied that he is a member of the Second National Front of Escambray or of Operation Alpha 66, or any other similar organization. He said that he has never contributed funds to such organizations but commented that he is sympathetic to any organization which aims at obstructing or overthrowing the Castro regime in Cuba.

[REDACTED] denied that he has any information concerning the hit-and-run activity of the Second National Front of Escambray, Operation Alpha 66, or any similar organization.

[REDACTED] He said that he completely disapproves of [REDACTED] and that he would refuse to support any organization led by [REDACTED] because he regards him as a completely unscrupulous and untrustworthy person. CURF

[REDACTED] denied that he personally knows any other individuals who are members of the Second National Front of Escambray, or Operation Alpha 66, and he denied that he possesses any knowledge of the source of the equipment used in the operations of these organizations against the Castro regime in Cuba. b7c b7D

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[REDACTED], having been advised of his right to an attorney, that he need not make a statement and that any statement he made could be used against him in court, furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] stated he was born [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the Second National Front
of Escambray or Alpha 68. He also denied being a member of
these two groups or having ever contributed money to them.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] pointed out that it had no affiliation with Alpha 66 or any anti-CASTRO organization.

The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained through observation and interrogation:

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Reference: Report of SA [REDACTED]
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Mr. DeLoach
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Mr. Conrad
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Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
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FROM: SAC, WFO (105-50870) (P)

SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
(OPERATION ALPHA 66)
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CC TO Secret Serv.
REQ. 1-31-64
FEB 5 1964
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BY: [redacted]

Re Bureau airtel 4/23/63 and report of [redacted] dated 4/26/63.

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On March 29, 1963, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] characterized the Federation of Cuban
Professional People in Washington, D. C. as
a society of Cuban professionals who have
grouped together mostly for social reasons, but
who also endeavor to aid fellow Cuban exiles in
acquiring a means of livelihood in the United
States.

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Title	SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (OPERATION ALPHA 66)
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Reference	NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Memo dated and captioned as above.

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Date: 5/1/63

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SAC, MIAMI (105-6243)

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (2-25)(RUC)

SUBJECT: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (SNFE)
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ReBuairtel to Miami and other offices, 4/23/63.

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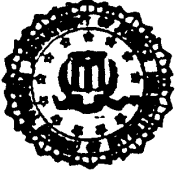
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[REDACTED] advised that Sheldon has Alpha 66 insignias
on his vehicle and makes speeches on radio, television, and
before various groups in southern Alabama, seeking financial
aid and assistance for Alpha 66. [REDACTED] furnished a card
he had received which on one side has the following:
Communism, through Alpha 66, is the only way to
The other side of the card has the name of Sheldon
457 Oak Street, Fairhope, Alabama

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-112098)

DATE: 5/8/63

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (105-6133)

SUBJECT: **FIRST NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
(OPERATION ALPHA 66)
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT OF CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTER
OO: Miami**

Re New York airtel 10/9/62.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above, plus one copy each for Miami and NYO.

The confidential source referred to in the letterhead memorandum is [REDACTED]

The letterhead memorandum is classified confidential since the information provided by the source if improperly disclosed might tend to reveal his identity and prevent possible future use of the source.

Local dissemination has been made to ONI, INTC and OSI.

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San Juan, Puerto Rico
May 8, 1963

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A characterization of the MPIPR is set forth in the appendix.

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APPENDIX

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MOVIMIENTO PRO INDEPENDENCIA DE PUERTO RICO
(Puerto Rican Independence Movement)
(MPIPR)

On June 20, 1960, JUAN MARI BRAS, Secretary General of the MPIPR, advised Special Agents of the FBI that this organization was formed January 11, 1959 at Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, and officially came into being at the MPIPR Constituent Convention on November 23, 1959, at Ponce, Puerto Rico. It was formed by a group of former leaders of the PARTIDO INDEPENDENTISTA PUERTORRIQUENO (PIP), a formerly legally constituted political party, who were dissatisfied with PIP policies and decided to form a more active organization to indoctrinate the Puerto Rican people with the ideal of Puerto Rican independence.

Although the MPIPR does not advocate violence, it will accept anyone who believes in Puerto Rican independence regardless of his beliefs on the use of violence provided he agrees with the MPIPR Declaration of Principles. The organization contains both Nationalists and Communists within its membership, but does not assume responsibility for actions they may take not sanctioned by the group.

Speaking on behalf of himself and his organization, MARI BRAS said the MPIPR does not currently advocate violence as a means of obtaining Puerto Rican independence only because he felt that violence would be ineffective against the power of the US Government. MARI BRAS stated he believed in the right of a people, specifically the Puerto Rican people, to use violence to obtain their freedom if and when the circumstances are such they could possibly be successful in their effort.

Headquarters of the MPIPR are located at Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, a suburb of San Juan. During 1962 issues of the MPIPR "Carta Semanal" (Weekly Letter), self-described as a weekly bulletin from MPIPR Headquarters to its various branches, repeatedly stated that the goal for 1962 was to establish an effective branch in every municipality in Puerto Rico and also in New York City.

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Among the members of the MPIPR General Secretariat and National Missions are adherents of other groups seeking independence for Puerto Rico, including the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico (NPPR).

The NPPR has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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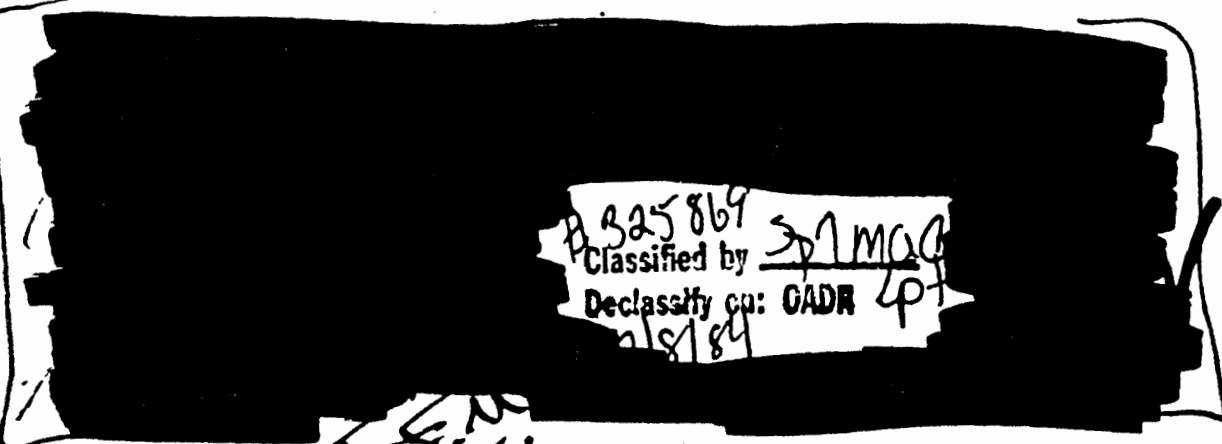
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- b7c* NY report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/12/63, entitled "Operation Alpha 66; IS-CUBA; RA - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS."
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MRS. ELIZABETH T. BABCOCK [redacted]
[redacted] New York, by letter, dated January 3, 1954,
furnished to the Attorney General of the United States,
Washington, D.C., material she received in the mail from
Alpha 66. The material from Alpha 66 was signed by ANTONIO
VECIANA, who was self-described as the "General Coordinator"
of Alpha 66, and who was a former President of Public
Accountants Association in Havana, Cuba. The material from
Alpha 66 bore the return address of Box 2398, General Post
Office, New York 1, New York. MEMBER OF SUSPECT COMMUNITIES

MRS. BABCOCK in her letter to the Attorney General
stated that she was sending the material which she received
from Alpha 66 for the information of the Attorney General.

The material sent through the mail to [redacted]
by Alpha 66 included a four page pamphlet which
described Communism as the mutual enemy of the United States
and Cuba. This material also included a pictorial map of
Cuba with specific areas marked indicating the location of
past hit-and-run raids carried out by Alpha 66. The
propaganda material also included a short synopsis of the
history of the organization, Alpha 66, indicating that it
was created by Cuban patriots for the sole purpose of
reconquering Cuba. It also pointed out that Alpha 66
has proven in the past that they know how to strike against
the Communist regime and Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO, and also
that Alpha 66 has pledged to eliminate CASTRO and his blood-
thirsty followers. This propaganda also made an appeal for
financial assistance in order to permit Alpha 66 to carry out
future raids against the coast of Cuba and the Communist
regime of FIDEL CASTRO.

This propaganda material requested that donations,
checks or money orders be made payable to Alpha 66, and
sent to Post Office Box Number 2398. This propaganda material
also contained a self-addressed envelope directed to "Second
Front-Alpha 66, Box 2398, General Post Office, New York 1,
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This self-addressed envelope indicated that a first-class permit had been granted, and the number was 28340, and the postage would be paid by Second Front-Alpha 66.

The propaganda sent out by Alpha 66, which was received by Mrs. BABCOCK, contained an undated letter, which stated it had been formed six months previously to provide possible military action against the regime in Cuba, and against the Red menace in the Caribbean. The letter stated that the raids by Alpha 66 had caused the Communists considerable discomfort and political embarrassment. The letter made an appeal for financial support in order to continue these attacks against Communism, if Communism is to be stopped in the Western Hemisphere. The letter stated that the men of Alpha 66, operating outside the United States, are in desperate need of arms, food, medicine, equipment and money. The letter made an appeal for immediate assistance for Alpha 66 and the Cuban people. This letter was signed by ANTONIO VECIANA, General Coordinator of Alpha 66.

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Mrs. ~~ELIZABETH C. BABCOCK~~, ~~Secretary~~, Long Island, New York, on April 15, 1963, advised that she recalled receiving propaganda material in her mail from Alpha 66. Mrs. BABCOCK stated that she took this propaganda material and sent it in a letter to Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY in Washington, D.C. for his information. Mrs. BABCOCK stated that she believed that this type of action by Alpha 66 was against the policies of the United States and was very damaging to United States foreign policy.

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[redacted] has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on April 15, 1963, that Post Office Box Number 2398 at the General Post Office was rented by SNFE - Alpha 66, Cuban Refugee Organization, 2629 Broadway, New York City on November 20, 1962, and is paid for quarterly by the organization. [redacted] further stated that Post Office permit number 28340 was also obtained by Second Front-Alpha 66. [redacted] advised that the Post Office box and the Post Office permit were not obtained by any individual, but by the organization.

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[redacted] advised on April 15, 1963, that the original representative of the organization Alpha 66 in New York, VAZQUEZ advised that the headquarters of SNFE-Alpha 66 moved three weeks ago from 2629 Broadway, New York City to its present location at 103 West 34th Street, New York City.

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CECILIO J. VASQUEZ, Public Relations Director, SNFE-Alpha 66, 103 West 74th Street, New York City, on April 24, 1963, advised that the offices of SNFE-Alpha 66 in New York continue to work as before. VASQUEZ stated that the purpose of the New York Office is to conduct civil matters such as making press releases, propoganda, collection of funds, and any medical supplies that they can get for the military section of the organization.

VASQUEZ advised that people come to the offices of SNFE-Alpha 66, and make contributions of one, two or more dollars to the organization for which they are given a written receipt by the individual who may be in charge of the office at the time. In addition to people coming to the office, contributions are also accepted by other members of the organization and receipts for these contributions are given to the donor and a copy of the receipt for the contributions is maintained in the New York Office of SNFE-Alpha 66. VASQUEZ stated that when they have a fair amount of money they will forward the money collected by Postal Money Order to the headquarters of the organization which is in Puerto Rico and has the address of Box 1355, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico.

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VASQUEZ stated that the leaders of SNFE-Alpha 66 at the present time, are restricted to the Miami area and there is no hope for the immediate future that any of these leaders will be able to travel to the New York area. VASQUEZ said that he, as well as other members of SNFE-Alpha 66, are dedicated to the overthrow of the present Government of Cuba and that they will continue their activity until they accomplish their goal.

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Enclosed are copies of a letterhead memorandum, dated as above, at Los Angeles, setting forth information regarding the appearance of RENE VALDES, the local leader of Alpha 66, on television in Los Angeles on 4/25/63, which information was made available to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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(OPERATION ALPHA 66)

[REDACTED] Tom Duggan

Show on KTTV on April 25, 1963, when Tom Duggan interviewed Rene Valdes, General Delegate of Alpha 66 in Los Angeles, and Lawrence Howard, Jr., who recently returned to his residence at Pico-Rivera, California, from Florida. C-116A
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[REDACTED] Howard, who said he was once a platoon sergeant in the United States Army in Korea, said he had been training guerrillas at a camp located on an isolated island in the Keys, and had been arrested in December, 1962 and charged with a violation of the Neutrality Act, but that his case had been dismissed on the ground his activities which were thought to constitute the violation were merely "part of the training program." He said that the instructors at the camp were mostly Americans and that the trainees were Cuban refugees sent down by various organizations in Miami for training. He added that he intended to return soon to Florida to continue his activities. When he remarked "Even in the event I had (participated in any raids against Cuba) ... and I'm not saying I haven't," he pointed out that when the charges against him had been dismissed, it had been stipulated that the case could be reopened.

Valdes pointed out that none of the raids were from anywhere inside the United States and commented that he did not think the United States Government should interfere with

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Re Los Angeles airtels 4-20-63 and 4-26-63 and Bureau form 0-17 dated 4-30-63.

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(OPERATION ALPHA 66)

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[REDACTED] advised on

[REDACTED] April 25, 1963, that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had an opportunity to copy the addresses of the organization's various branches from available literature.

There were no names listed, but the following addresses appeared:

- Miami, Florida 115 S.W. 12th Avenue
- New York City General Post Office (Box number not copied and unrecalled)
- Chicago, Illinois 342 West Concor_ Boulevard
- Milwaukee, Wisconsin 2007 N. 31st Street
- Topeka, Kansas 3726 West 12th Street
- Silver Springs, Maryland 2244 Washington Avenue, Apartment 301
- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 3218 Frankford Avenue
- Newark, New Jersey 185 New York Avenue
- Union City, New Jersey 1310 Summit Avenue

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**Re: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
(OPERATION ALPHA 66)**

Fairhope, Alabama

457 Oak Street

Toronto, Canada

**130 Rosedale Valley Road,
Apartment 201**

**Venezuela, South
America**

55-64 Del Este, Caracas

**Mexico, Central
America**

620 Apto. 208, Mexico D.F.

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IS - CUBA; RA-CUBA; NM
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Re Miami report of SA [redacted]
4/26/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eleven copies
of a letterhead memorandum. Copies of this communication
and enclosure are being furnished for information to Miami,
New York and WFO.

San Juan Office indices indicated that Newark
airtel and enclosure to Bureau entitled "OPERATION ALPHA
66. IS-CUBA; NM." dated December 3, 1962, [redacted]

Referenced report of Miami indicates that [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed by the Miami Office on
April 24, 1963.

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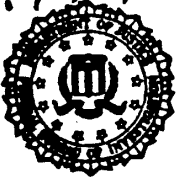
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Post Office Box 4312
San Juan 21, Puerto Rico

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] furnished a circular letter written in the Spanish language as follows:

"San Juan, Puerto Rico,
"30 of April, 1963

"Sir:

"We have the honor to invite you and your distinguished family to an activity that will be held next Friday,

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RE SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF THE ESCAMBRAY

May 3, 1963 at 8:30 P.M. at the Casa Cuba, Isla Verde.
The purpose of this meeting is to give public thanks to those Puerto Ricans and other donors who contributed with great generosity to pay the fines imposed by the British Government on Cuban patriots who are fighting to liberate Cuba from Communist slavery.

"Appearing before a panel of newspapermen will be the "campesino Cubano", ex-captain of the Rebel Army, ROGER REDONDO, one of the prisoners captured by the English Forces which protect militarily 'Kastro-Comunismo' in our hemisphere.

"Listen to the truth as told by one of the participants, about the privations and persecutions committed against these valiant ones who executed the commando actions against the Communist territory of the Caribe in defense of the liberty of Cuba and America.

"Very truly yours,

"United for Liberation"

Dr. EMILIO CABALLERO
II Frente Nac. Escambray

Dr. CARLOS LOPEZ LAY FELIX ZABALA
M. R. P. MAS, Alpha 66

AMAURY FRAGINALS ALONSO
II Frente Nac. del Escambray
Alpha 66"

P.R.

Date 5/7/63

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was interviewed at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was reminded at the outset of the interview he was not obliged to furnish any information, and that he had a right to consult an attorney if he so desired prior to furnishing any information. He was also warned that any information he might furnish could be used against him in a court of law. [REDACTED] stated he desired to cooperate in any way possible.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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On 5/2/63 at Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico File # SJ 105-6133

by SA's [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] dictated 5/7/63

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TITLE OF CASE SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (SNFE) (OPERATION ALPHA 66)		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - CUBA RA - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS	

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REFERENCE: *b7c* Report of SA **[REDACTED]** 4/23/63
FBI at Miami.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF *Clary*
DATE *4-29-63*

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LEADS

MIAMI

At Miami, Florida.

1. Will locate and interview the following individuals who have been identified as **[REDACTED]** and who have not yet been interviewed:

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[REDACTED]

Will locate and interview

At Marathon Shores, Florida

Will interview

[REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE

Copies of this report have not been furnished to auxiliary offices as done previously, since information in the report is not significant to coverage of leads outstanding in those offices.

[REDACTED]

Investigation in the vicinity of N.W. 17th Avenue and the Miami River has to date failed to reflect the presence of a Sigma type boat, allegedly belonging to

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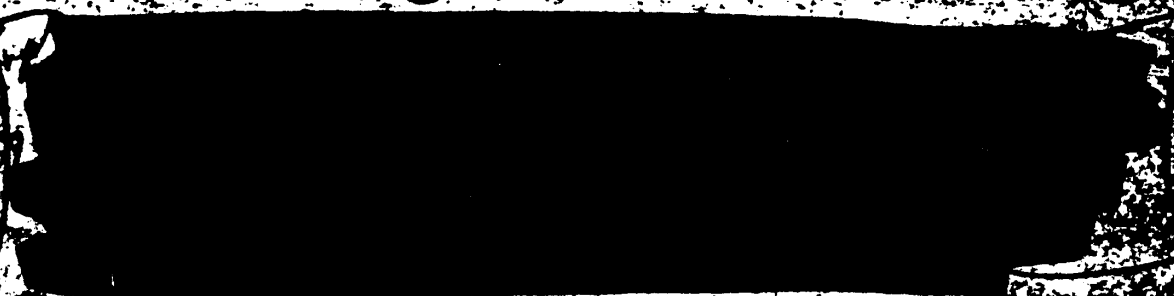
the SNFK, which was previously mentioned by U.S. Customs
attention is directed to information furnished by U.S. Customs, Miami, indicating that the Department of Justice was contemplating prosecution connected with the arrest on October 31, 1961 by Customs of ten members of the SNFK on the Miami River. This information was made available by Customs subsequent to the March 17, 1963 raid by the SNFK, and the case was sent to Grand Jury on April 17, 1963.

On April 16, 1963, the Department advised Customs this case was not to be presented to the Grand Jury as prosecution was not being considered at that time. Customs indicated they considered it an air-tight case if prosecution desired.

The above is mentioned in view of the considerable time necessarily devoted to the administrative phase of this case in submitting a weekly report.

This report has been classified SECRET as it contains information taken from a CIA memorandum which was so classified. (X) W/Pu CIA 3/20/65

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Office Miami, Florida

Report of [REDACTED]

Date: May 2, 1963

Field Office File #: 105-6243

Bureau File #: 105-112098

Title: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (SNFE)
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Synopsis:

[REDACTED]

Information received from U.S. Treasury
Customs, Miami, indicating black and green speed boat of
SNFE docked at Williams Chemical Corp., on Miami River.

advised black and green speed boat docked at this point
is property of [REDACTED] who
purchased boat from [REDACTED] in late 12/62 or early 1/63.
[REDACTED] another government agency, made available infor-
mation to the effect Schoell Boat Works, Hialeah, was
constructing a boat for Alpha 66.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] interviewed
and denied participation in attacks on Cuba.

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DETAILS:

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[REDACTED]

SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On April 30, 1963, [REDACTED]
Miami, advised that he was not acquainted
with [REDACTED] but he believed him to be a person who

[REDACTED]

On April 30, 1963, [REDACTED]
was contacted and he advised

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is not presently active
with any anti-CASTRO organization.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated, however, that when President KENNEDY made
public his opinion that the raids by the anti-CASTRO
groups against Cuba were detrimental to both the United
States and the anti-CASTRO Cubans,

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

He said he had no information as to whether or not this boat had been used in connection with any activities of the SNFE.

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Treasury Dept. info is and chief per their the dtd 1/7/85. [unclear] 1/18/85 2235, 869

U.S. Customs, Miami, has advised that [REDACTED] and four of his men were using a 22' plywood speed boat, with a 115 h.p. engine, black hull and light green superstructure, when they were picked up by the U.S. Coast Guard on April 6, 1963, and returned to Miami. This boat was last seen docked at the Williams Chemical Corporation Dock, 1130 N.W. 21st Avenue, Miami, on the Miami River.

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It is noted that the 1100 block of N.W. 21st Avenue ends at the Miami River.

On April 3, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

He said there was a boat resembling the above described boat at this dock area. [REDACTED]

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the boat he had in mind is a 24' speed boat with an 8 cylinder Chrysler engine, with a charcoal gray hull and light green superstructure.

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[REDACTED]

Observation of this boat reflected it had six 5 gallon gas tanks at the rear, an inboard engine, and no indication a gun mount had ever been installed on it. The boat has a light green superstructure and dark gray or charcoal gray hull, with Florida registration #FL4348D thereon.

On April 24, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] made available information to the effect that (S) as of March 30, 1963, the Schoell Boat Works, 2367 W. 8th Lane, Hialeah, Florida, was constructing two boats

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Part of CIA info is classified per their letter 9/20/85. M. J. [unclear] 4/19/85 #235, 869

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

It is noted that on April 24, 1963 Mr. LOUIS T. GIDEL, Chief, Entry and Departure Section, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, Florida, advised that the 9 Cubans who had been arrested by the British in the Bahama Islands earlier that month, were being returned to Miami on the afternoon of April 24, 1963.

Release per INS

The results of interviews with [REDACTED] are set forth below:

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Date April 30, 1963

[redacted] was interviewed

[redacted] was

[redacted] was advised of his right against self-incrimination, the fact that he did not have to make any statement, and that any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. He was also informed he had the right to the services of an attorney, and that no threats or promises would be made to him to induce him to furnish a statement to interviewing officers.

[redacted]

[redacted]

He stated that it was about the beginning of 1961 that ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, a leader of the Second National Front of the Escambray, which had fought in the mountains against the Cuban regime of FULGENCIO BATISTA, came to New York City. GUTIERREZ at that time was attempting to organize Cuban exiles and raise funds to overthrow the regime of FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba.

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On 4/24/63 at [redacted] Florida File # Miami 105-6243

by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 4/25/63

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[REDACTED] CUTIERREZ advocated guerilla warfare as the means by which Cubans themselves from within Cuba could overthrow the CASTRO rule.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he did not participate in any raid or military action against the Cuban coast

[REDACTED] He stated that whereas they had weapons and ammunitions in the Bahamas, he did not know where these had been obtained. He stated that it was his expectation that eventually, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GUTIERREZ MENOYO would have been landed on the coast of Cuba so that they could make their way into the interior of Cuba and fight as guerillas against the CASTRO regime.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He stated he had not belonged to the July 26th Movement which was headed by FIDEL CASTRO.

Description of [REDACTED] was noted as follows:

Age [REDACTED]
Date of birth [REDACTED]
Place of birth [REDACTED]

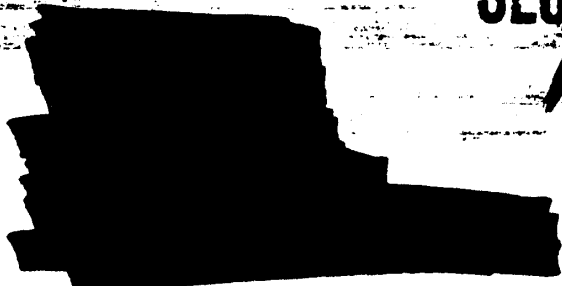
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Weight
Complexion
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Eyes
Scars and marks



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On April 24, 1963 [redacted] was advised he did not have to make any statement, any statement made by him could be used against him in a court of law, and he had the right to an attorney. No threats, promises or rewards were made to him.

Miami, Fla.

[redacted] advised he was born [redacted]

[redacted] *Ill.*

[redacted]

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Cuba [redacted]

[redacted]

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by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] Date dictated 5/1/63

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that the money used by the organization was obtained by receiving small donations from the Cuban exiles in Miami, Florida. [REDACTED] claimed he did not know the source or the origin of the arms.

[REDACTED] he never participated in any attacks on Cuban or Russian shipping, or Cuban shore installations.

Through observation and interview, the following physical description was obtained:

Race
Sex
Hair
Eyes

[REDACTED]

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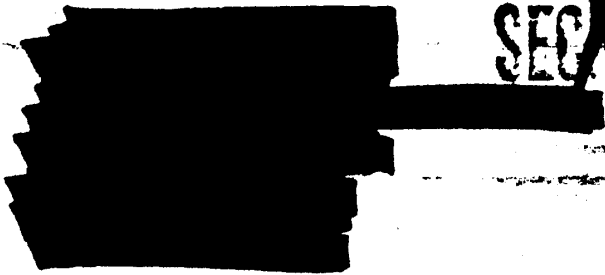
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Weight
Address

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On April 24, 1963 [redacted] was advised he did not have to make any statement, any statement by him could be used in a court of law against him, and he had the right to have an attorney. No threats or promises or rewards were made to him.

[redacted] advised he was born [redacted]

Bahama Islands

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[redacted] said he participated in no attacks against Cuba or infiltration operations. [redacted]

[redacted] advised he was unable to furnish any information concerning SNPE and attacks against Cuba, and had no idea who might have participated in them.

Through observation and interview, the following

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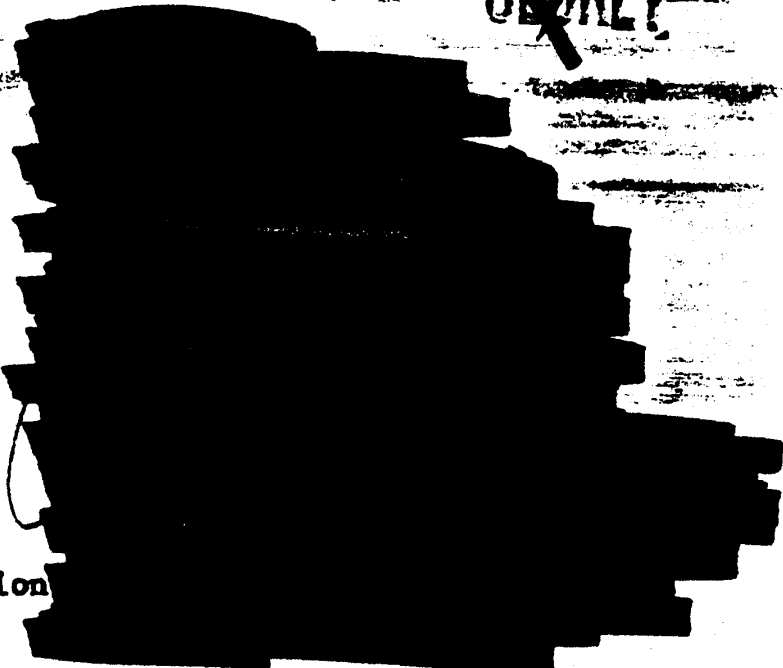
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physical description was obtained:

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Race
Sex
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Address



Marital status
Wife
Father Cuba
Mother
Sister
Brother
Education
Previous Occupation

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On April 24, 1963 [redacted] was advised he did not have to make any statement, any statement made by him could be used against him in a court of law, and he had the right to have an attorney. No threats or promises were made.

Miami, Fla.

[redacted] advised he was born [redacted]

Bahama Islands

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[redacted] advised the source of the [redacted]'s funds is money donations from Cuban exiles in Miami, Florida.

[redacted] but that he, never participated in any attacks against Cuba.

Through observation and interview, the following

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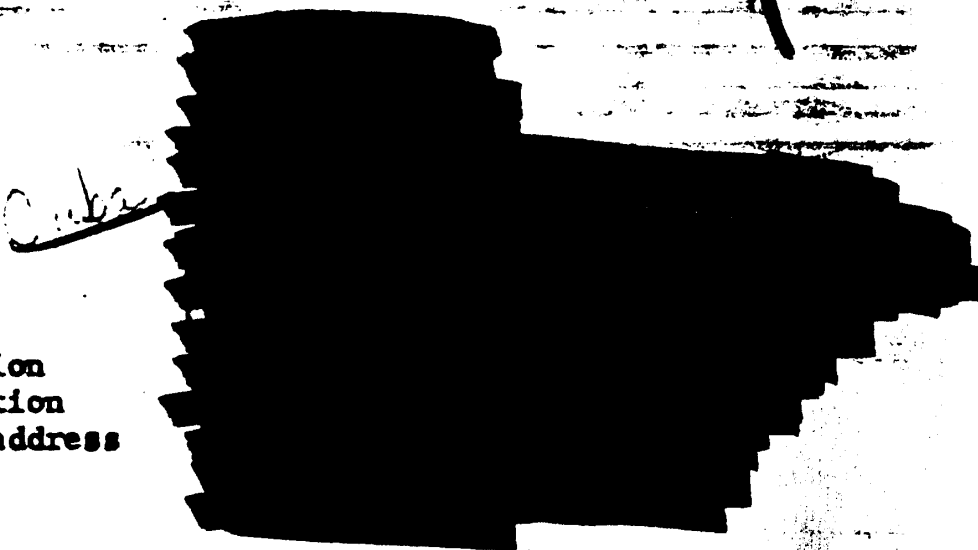
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physical description was obtained:

Race
Sex
Height
Weight
Father
Mother
Wife

Son
Education
Occupation
Miami address



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Reference report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

1.) Will attempt to locate and examine speedboat of the SNFE at Williams Chemical Corporation, 1130 Northwest 21st Avenue, and "Sigma II" boat, located vicinity of 17th Avenue and Miami River. Information regarding alleged location of these boats furnished by U. S. Customs, Miami.

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3.) Will report results of check of [REDACTED]

4.) Will contact appropriate officials at the [REDACTED] for information regarding alleged construction of a boat for SNFE.

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5.) Will continue efforts to locate [redacted]

6.) Will interview [redacted] regarding details [redacted]

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Information copies have been designated for offices having outstanding leads in connection with this investigation.

The Special Agent who attended the SNFE Show at Bayfront Park, Miami, on 4/23/63, was SA [redacted]

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On 4/24/63, [redacted] U.S. Customs, Miami, confidentially advised that Customs had been contacted by [redacted] who said that three of his men were stranded on a small key in the Caribbean, were low on water, and needed assistance. He wanted permission to send out a boat to pick up these men. [redacted] pointed out that INS has not served "Prevention of Departure Notices" on [redacted] or his men, and that there was no way to legally prevent them from taking a boat out, provided they did not attempt to take arms with them. [redacted] said in order to secure the cooperation of [redacted] Customs was indicating they would see what they could do about this problem, and that after thoroughly checking to see that no arms were aboard, a boat would probably be permitted to go out to rescue the three men.

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[redacted] also advised that the speedboat of the SNFE in which [redacted] and four of his men are returning to Miami, was last known to be located at [redacted]. He said a "Sigma II"

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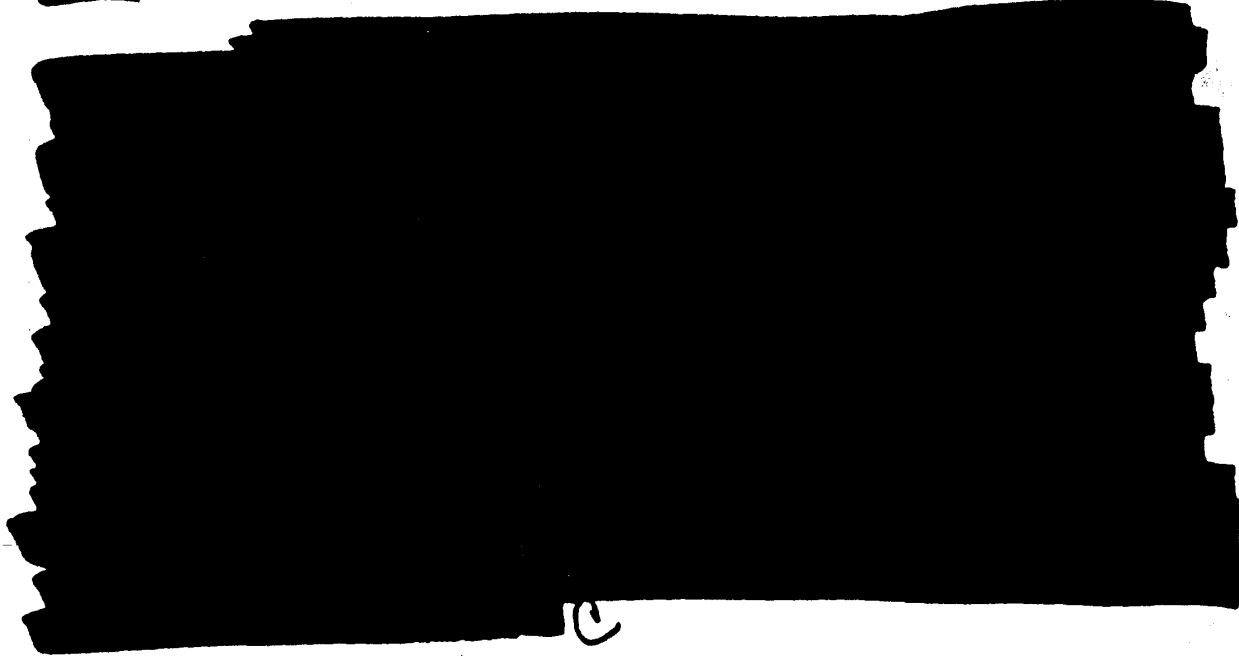
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boat of the SNFE is also allegedly located on the Miami River, near [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also confidentially advised that in connection with the presentation of the Customs case regarding ten members of the SNFE who were arrested 10/31/62, he had been ready to testify before the Grand Jury on 4/17/63. On 4/16/63, the Department of Justice contacted Customs and advised they did not wish that this case be presented to the Grand Jury, as prosecution was not desired at this time. Furthermore, on 4/17/63,

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[REDACTED] State Department Representative in Miami, contacted Customs to assure that the case was not being brought before the Grand Jury.



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FD-302's setting forth the results of five of these interviews were incorporated in this report. As this report was dictated on 4/25/63, it was impossible, due to dictating and transcribing problems, to include the remaining four FD-302's. These interviews will be made part of the next report, to be submitted 5/3/63.

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Title:

SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
(SNFE) (Operation Alpha 66)

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Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA; REGISTRATION
ACT - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] benefit
variety show staged 4/23/63, Bayfront Park, MIAMI, for
benefit of subject organization.

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Fla. Cuba

On April 23, 1963, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) attended a benefit variety show which was held during the evening hours on that date

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at Bayfront Park, Miami, which was staged by the SNFE-Operation Alpha 66. There were approximately 3,000 people in attendance at this show, and the performances included some by well-known Cuban theatrical personalities. Collections were taken up during the performances for the benefit of the SNFE and Operation Alpha 66.

It is noted that on March 29, 1963 [redacted]

On April 16, 1963, [redacted]

[redacted] advised the "Santa Elena" was a 26-foot motorboat, which was docked at the Ana Capri Yacht Basin, [redacted]

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On April 23, 1963, [redacted] was contacted and advised [redacted]

[redacted] is active on a full-time basis in anti-CASTRO revolutionary matters, but that she could not furnish any information as to his present whereabouts. She said she did not know whether [redacted] was a member of the SNFE or of any other anti-CASTRO organization. Fla. Cuba

On April 24, 1963, [redacted]

[redacted] made available information to the effect that as of March 30, 1963, the Schoell Boat Works, 2367 West 8th Lane, Hialeah, Florida, was constructing two boats which were said to be for Cuban counterrevolutionary exile organizations. [redacted]

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[REDACTED] the boat reportedly being manufactured for Alpha 66 was begun the week of March 24, 1963, and completed as of March 30, 1963. This boat was painted dark blue. (S) (S)

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The boats being manufactured at the Schoell Boat Works were described as 21 feet long, with a beam of 8½ feet, of Fiberglass construction, and with an open superstructure. They are known as the Vega 21 or V-21 Model, and the hulls and decks were being built with a double thickness. These boats were to be outfitted with two Volvo Penta 120 horsepower engines, and each boat was to cost \$4,000.00. (S) U

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Miami, Fla.

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On April 23, 1963, observation of the residence mentioned above failed to reflect the presence of this boat.

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On April 24, 1963, Mr. LOUIS T. GIDEL, Chief, Entry and Departure Section, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, Florida, advised that the nine Cubans who had been arrested by the British in the Bahamas earlier this month were being returned to Miami on the afternoon of April 24, 1963.

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Date April 26, 1963

[redacted] was interviewed at the Detention Facility of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), located at Opa-locka, Florida, Air Base. At the outset of the interview [redacted] was advised he was not required to make any statement, that no threats or promises were being made in order that he make a statement, but that anything he did say could be used against him in court. He was advised of his right to consult an attorney.

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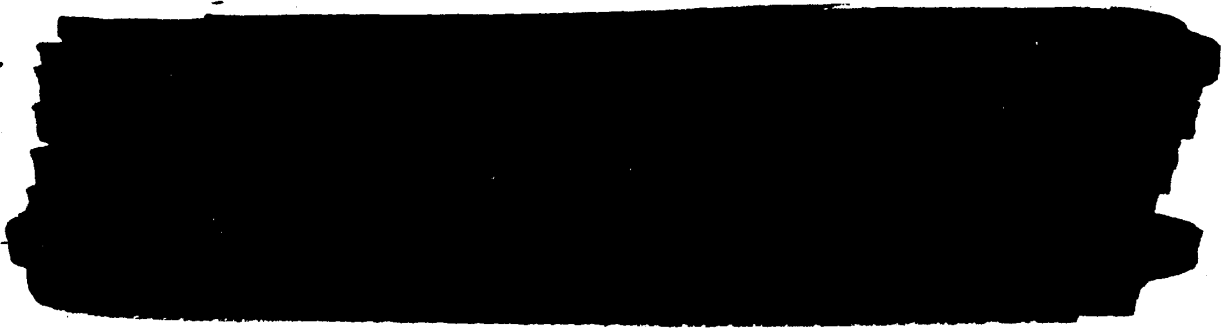
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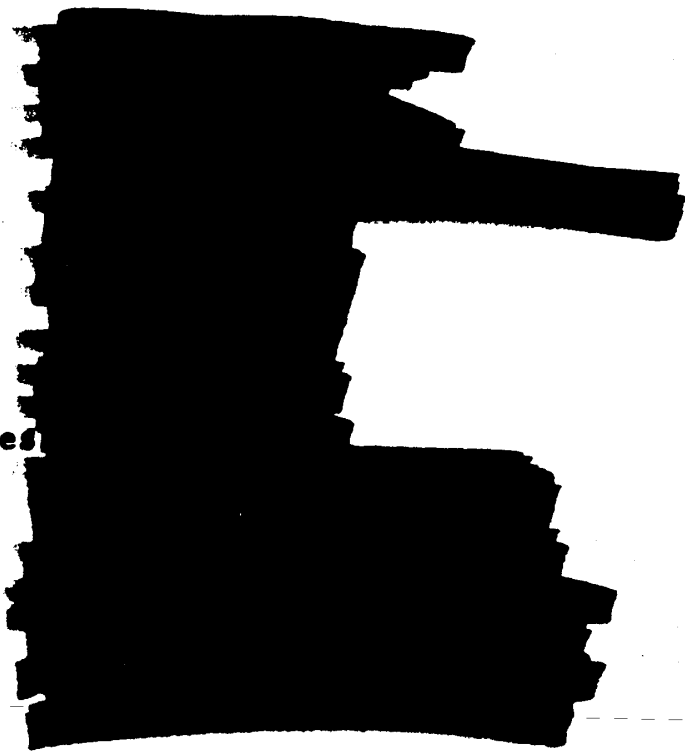
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Address

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Marital Status
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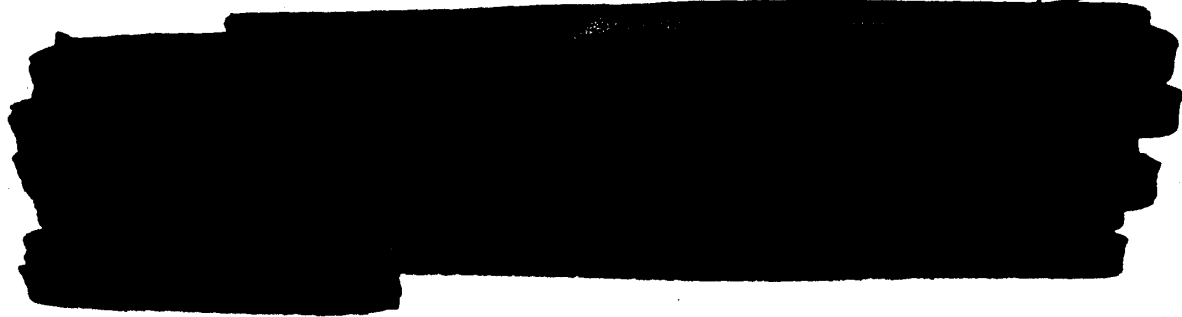
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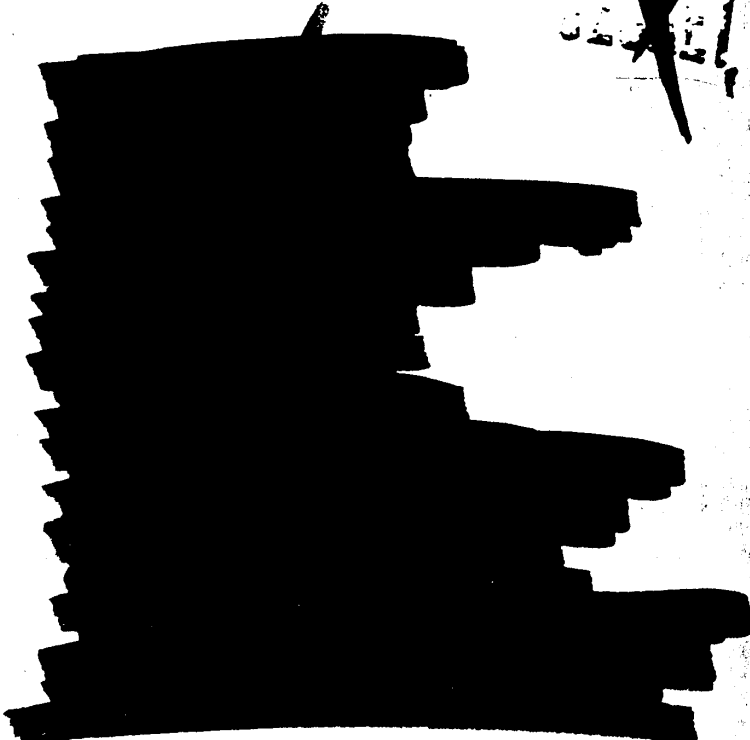
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Date April 26, 1963

[REDACTED] Opa-locka, Florida Processing Center, was advised he did not have to make any statement, either oral or written, and that any statement he did make could subsequently be used against him in a court of law. Upon being further advised of his right to consult an attorney prior to making any statement, he voluntarily furnished the following data to persons identified to him as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI): Bahamas Islands

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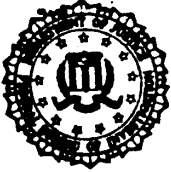
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April 26, 1963

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
[REDACTED], dated and captioned as above, at
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[REDACTED] mentioned in above-referenced report, has
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[REDACTED] mentioned in above-referenced report,
has furnished reliable information in the past.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 5/10/63 at Miami

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At Miami, Florida

Will continue efforts to locate and interview [REDACTED] (This lead was previously set out in referenced report.)

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- 3. Will follow activities of the SNFE through appropriate sources.

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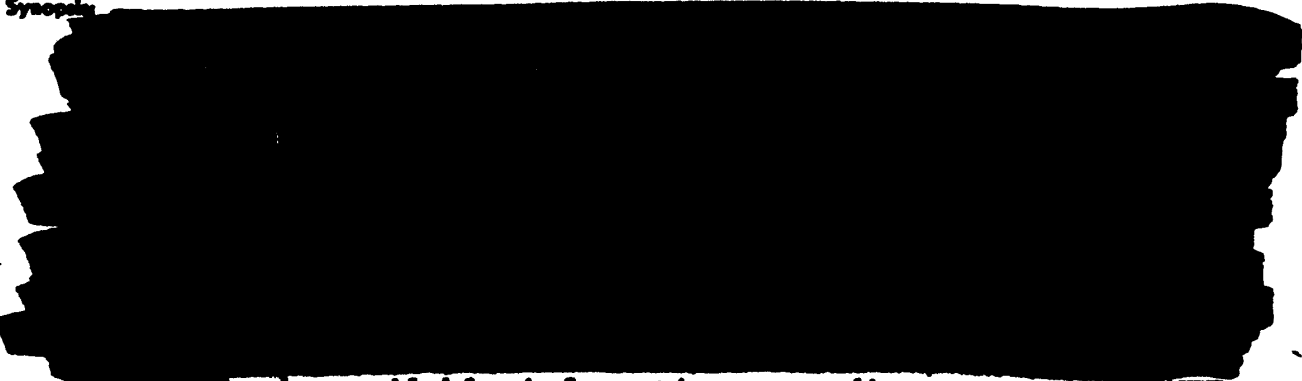
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(SNFE) (Operation Alpha 66)

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
 REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA
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Synopsis: 

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made available information regarding program of SNFE, merger with MRP and discussions with other anti-Castro groups regarding unity.

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[REDACTED] made available information regarding the activities and plans of the SNFE. According to [REDACTED] the SNFE has formulated a program which is to be carried out in the SNFE branches according to the particular characteristics of each location. He indicated this related particularly to the branches in Puerto Rico, Chicago, New York and Miami. The points listed in this program are as follows:

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1. Publication of a document revealing the union of the SNFE, the Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP) and Alpha 66.
2. Public meetings in the different delegations.
3. Internal meetings of the delegations in other places that are not included in the public meetings.
4. Reaffirmation and revelation of the program of the SNFE on the completion of the first anniversary of its publication, noting that this program was signed in Tampa on May 19, 1962.
5. Pledge of loyalty to the banner of CARLOS MANUEL de CESPEDES in the offices of the delegations.
6. To place on sale banners which will be sent to the different delegations.
7. To continue the collections toward the aim of the war.
8. To increase the work of all the members for the organization.
9. To develop propaganda with the insignia of war.
10. To create committees of war.

b2 b7a [REDACTED] made available information regarding a mimeographed leaflet which the SNFE prepared under the caption of the SNFE, Alpha 66 and the MRP, 115 Southwest 12th

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Avenue, Miami, Florida. This leaflet was written in Spanish and dated May, 1963. It states in part that a package of propaganda was recently sent which would be for distribution in that particular place. This propaganda was for the purpose of letting all those interested know and understand the thinking of the organizations in connection with their ultimate objectives. It was stated the groups were preparing other announcements in connection with the unity of the group with the MRP, as well as in connection with future tactics.

It was expected that by the 19th of May they ought to be ready to demonstrate the strength of their convictions and to thereby convey a message of hope for the Cuban people. This leaflet also indicated there possibly would be further developments regarding the unity as they were engaged in negotiations at that time with other anti-Castro groups, including the 30th of November, "Montecristi", the Anti-Communist Movement of Liberation, and an organization known as Unidad Nacional Revolucionaria, as well as with a group led by [REDACTED]

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This leaflet was signed "To Win or To Die", by [REDACTED] Secretary of Organization."



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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida
May 17, 1963

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RE: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
(SNFE) (Operation Alpha 66)
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

b7c [REDACTED] Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated May 17, 1963, at Miami.

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b7D Contact with [REDACTED] was insufficient to determine reliability, but he was in a position to obtain the information furnished.

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Enclosed to the Bureau are nine copies and to Miami one copy of a letterhead memorandum dated as above at Los Angeles setting forth information received from [redacted] by SA [redacted]

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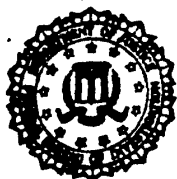
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Los Angeles, California
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SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY
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The Attorney General

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan May 28, 1963
- 1 - Mr. Wansall
- 1 - Mr. [redacted] b7c

Director, FBI

**SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (SNFE)
 (OPERATION ALPHA 26)
 INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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Attached is a memorandum dated May 28, 1963, which contains information concerning the activities of the mentioned anti-Castro organization. This supplements information furnished on May 24, 1963.

We are making further inquiries concerning the said mentioned in the enclosure, and the pertinent results will be made available to you.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley (Enclosure)
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Separate letter being forwarded Mr. O'Donnell at White House furnishing attached memorandum. Copy of attached memorandum being furnished International Situation Room at White House by liaison. Copy of attached memorandum also being furnished Mr. Sterling J. Cottrell, Coordinator for Cuban Affairs, State Department, and interested agencies separately.

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**SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY (SNFE)
(OPERATION ALPHA 66)**

Previous information has indicated that the above-captioned organization was reportedly involved in a raid on a militia barracks at Tarara, Cuba, which was allegedly carried out by underground forces in Cuba on May 19, 1963.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 5/17/63 at Miami.

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1. Will maintain close contact with all logical sources of information, [REDACTED] in order to promptly obtain any data developed regarding May 19, 1963, raid, as well as future plans of the SNFE.
2. Will interview [REDACTED] to obtain all details possible regarding May 19, 1963, raid.

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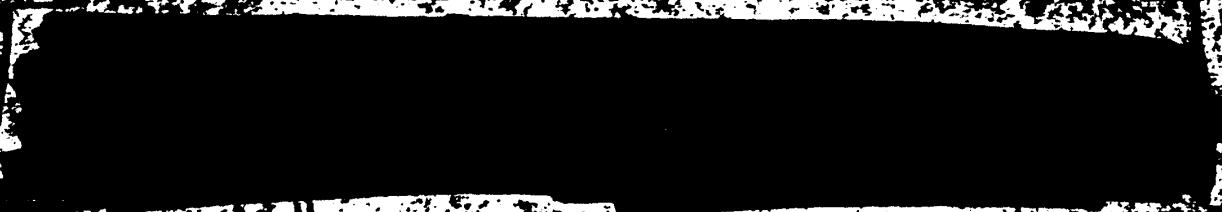
3. Will interview other logical suspects regarding their participation in May 19, 1963, raid.

ADMINISTRATIVE

One copy of this report is furnished to Chicago, New York, and San Juan, in view of activities of this organization within those territories.

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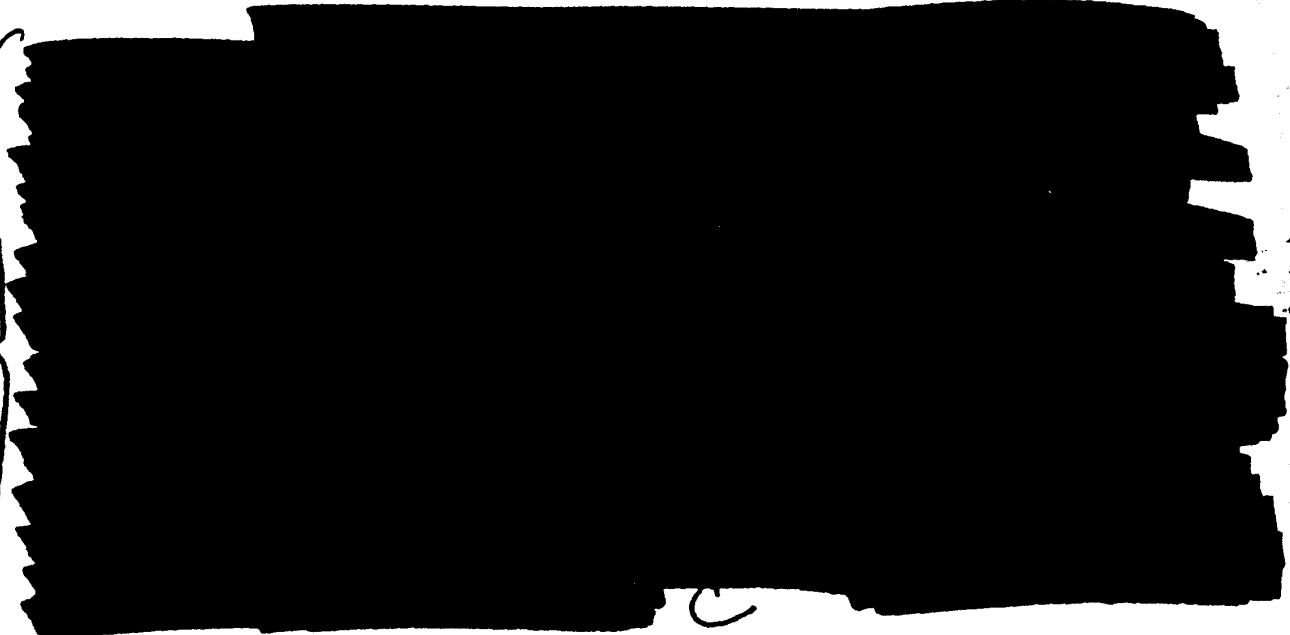
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"Signing a pact for joint action were the Second National Front of Escambray, Alpha 66, People's Revolutionary Movement (MRP), 30th of November Revolutionary Movement, and the Anti-Communist Front of Liberation."

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III. ACTIVITIES

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On May 19, 1963 [redacted] advised that [redacted]

concerning an attack which took place on May 19, 1963, against a militia barracks at Tarara, Havana, Cuba. [redacted]

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The organizations mentioned in the indented material are all anti-CASTRO organizations.

[redacted] emphasized that the attack was carried out by the forces of the above-mentioned anti-CASTRO groups which are in the underground in Cuba, and was not an attack by boat from outside Cuba.

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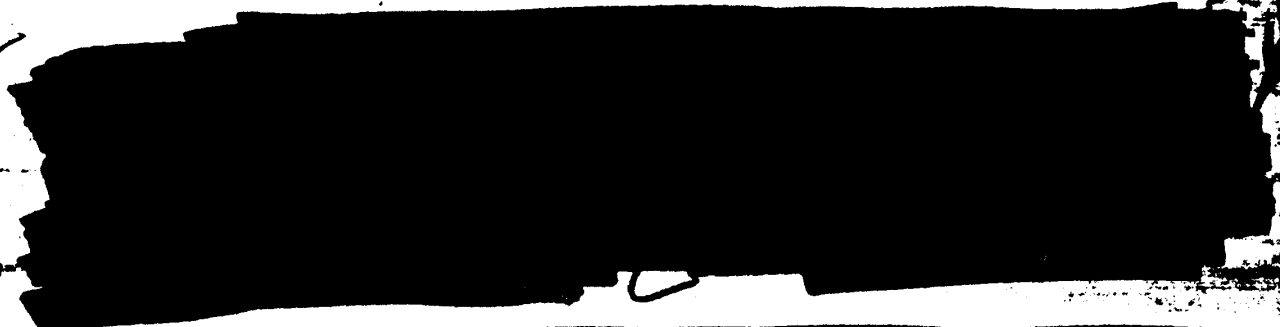
The "Miami Herald," a Miami newspaper, on May 20, 1963, carried an article by the Associated Press which described the attack as a "hit and run" attack attributed to commandos inside Cuba. The article also mentioned a United Press International (UPI) report that the raiders fought CASTRO

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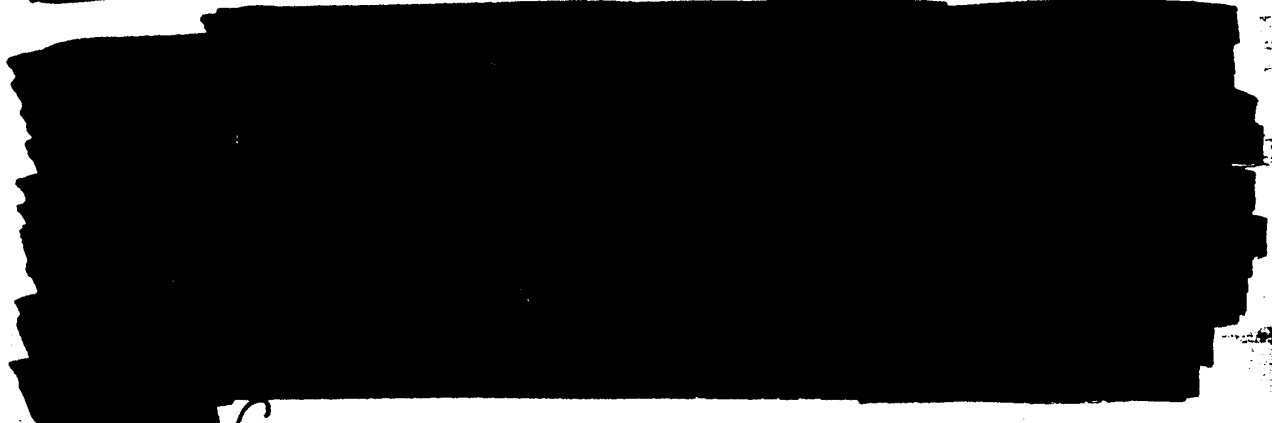
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Examination of the above-mentioned photographs reflects that the boat photographed on May 18, 1963, is similar in design and general appearance to the boat in which ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO, head of the SNFE, and four of his men, were returned to Miami by the United States Coast Guard on April 5, 1963.

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[redacted] an SNFE boat with six men aboard departed from Summerland Key, sixteen miles north of Key West, Florida, on May 18, 1963. He said the boat proceeded south, and made a brief raid on the north coast of Cuba near Havana, after which it returned to Summerland Key on May 19, 1963.

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[redacted] said that he was not aware of the identity of the participants of this raid, but that based on information he had received, he was positive that the raid had been carried out by members of the SNFE.

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[redacted] said that a boat, which he described as a "green Vega" of about twenty feet in length, with Volvo engines, was in the vicinity of Fifth Avenue and N. W. 30th Street, Miami, Florida, one day during the previous week, and that SNFE members were working on one of its engines.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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It is noted that on May 15, 1963, [redacted]

[redacted] made available information of the Schoell Boat Works, 2367 West (S) 8th Lane, Hialeah, Florida, to the effect that a twenty-one foot boat known as the "Vega 21" or "V-21," was being manufactured for Alpha 66 by that company. \$

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On May 16, 1963, [redacted] made available information (S) indicating that on about April 18, 1963, representatives of the SNFE-Alpha 66 purchased two twenty-two foot speedboat hulls from the Schoell Boat Works. These hulls were reinforced by the boat works after they were purchased, and before they were taken away. On about April 28, 1963, a third hull \$

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was purchased, and as of May 3, 1963, was being reinforced at the boatyard. The price of each hull was \$800.00.

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On May 27, 1963, a dark green eighteen-foot speedboat on a trailer, bearing 1963 Florida License [REDACTED] was observed parked in the back yard behind an apartment house at 560 N. W. 31st Street, Miami.

Records of the Dade County Auto Tag Agency reflect this registration to be in the name of [REDACTED] is a member of the SNPE.

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An examination of this boat failed to reflect the presence of arms or ammunition, but it was noted that it was similar in construction and general appearance to the boat photographed by the United States Navy plane on May 18, 1963, as well as with a boat on which ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO and four of his men were returned to the United States by the United States Coast Guard on April 5, 1963.

Also observed in the back yard of the apartment house located at 550 N. W. 31st Street was a white twenty-one foot hull which had been previously observed in front of Schoell, Inc., boat works, 2367 West 8th Lane, Hialeah. Both of the above-mentioned boats were equipped with twin Volvo Penta inboard-outboard motors, although it was noted that the twenty-one foot boat had not yet had the propellers installed. One Cuban was observed working on the twenty-one foot hull, engaged in installing a plywood deck and cover over the prow. He refused to identify himself, or advise as to the ownership of either boat.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

It was noted that on May 7, 1963,

[redacted] advised that [redacted]

SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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On May 22, 1963,

[redacted] Miami, Florida, advised that he

[redacted] said that he is not a member of the SHPE, although he is acquainted with a number of people who are.

He said that he has not had any association with the SHPE [redacted] in recent months.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 105-6243

Miami, Florida
May 31, 1963

Re: SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF
ESCAMBRAY (SNFE)
(Operation Alpha 66)
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
REGISTRATION ACT - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
[redacted] dated and captioned as above, at
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[redacted] have furnished reliable
information in the past.

[redacted] has not been contacted a sufficient
number of times to determine his reliability.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth all information available to date on the alleged raid by SNFE against Cuba on 5/19/63.

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Approved: [Redacted]

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Special Agent in Charge

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INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
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On May 19, 1963,

[REDACTED]

concerning an attack which took place on May 19, 1963,
against a militia barracks at Tarara, Havana, Cuba.

[REDACTED]

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SNFE, Alpha Sixtysix, Movimiento
Revolucionario del Pueblo (MRP)

The organizations mentioned in the indented material
are all anti-CASTRO organizations.

[REDACTED] emphasized that the attack was carried out
by the forces of the above-mentioned anti-CASTRO groups

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

The "Miami Herald", a Miami newspaper, on May 20, 1963, carried an article by the Associated Press which described the attack as a "hit-and-run" attack attributed to commandos inside Cuba. The article also mentioned a United Press International (UPI) report that the raiders fought CASTRO forces for twenty-five minutes before pulling back and escaping in two motorboats. According to the UPI, exile sources reportedly stated that the raid was staged from a "secret base" in the Caribbean.

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[REDACTED]

On May 22, 1963, United States Coast Guard, Miami, advised that a United States Navy plane observed and photographed a green motorboat with an inboard motor and of about 20 feet in length at 2:49 PM Eastern Standard Time on May 18, 1963. This boat was observed about 50 miles south-southeast of Tavernier in the Florida Keys. Six persons were observed aboard this boat wearing light gray shirts and pants and the boat was estimated to have been making about 25 knots in the general direction of Havana, Cuba.

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Examination of the above-mentioned photographs reflects that the boat photographed on May 18, 1963 is similar in design and general appearance to the boat in which [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] were returned to Miami by United States Coast Guard on April 5, 1963.

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On May 27, 1963, a dark green, 18 foot speedboat on a trailer bearing 1963 Florida license [REDACTED] was observed parked in the back yard behind an apartment house located at 360 W 31st Street, Miami, Florida [REDACTED]

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Records of the Dade County Auto Tag Agency reflect
this registration to be in the name of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] is a member of the SNFE. Examination of this boat failed to reflect the presence of arms or ammunition but it was observed to be similar in construction and general appearance with the boat photographed by the United States Navy plane on May 18, 1963.

550 NW 31st Street

Also observed in the back yard of the apartment house located at [REDACTED], was a white 21 foot hull which had previously been observed located in front of the Schoell, Inc. Boat Works, 2367 West 8th Lane, Hialeah, Florida. Both of the above-mentioned boats were equipped with twin Volvo Penta inboard-outboard motors, but it was noted that the 21 foot boat has not yet had the propellers installed. One Cuban was observed working on the 21 foot hull, engaged in installing a plywood deck and cover over the prow. He refused to identify himself or advise as to the ownership of either boat.

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