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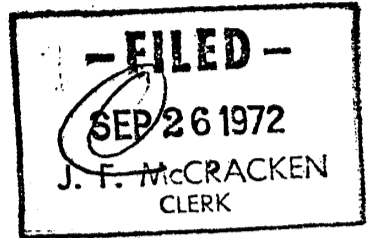
THE STATE OF FLORIDA

INFORMATION FOR

vs.

I ROBBERY
II EXTORTION

RAMON DONESTEVEZ
and
EMILIO NAVARRO



IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

RICHARD E. GERSTEIN, State Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, prosecuting for the State of Florida, in the County of Dade, under oath, information makes that.....

.....RAMON DONESTEVEZ and EMILIO NAVARRO.....

on the 1st day of September, 19 72, in the County and State aforesaid, did unlawfully and feloniously make an assault upon JOSE L. CANTO, and did by force, violence or putting in fear, rob, steal, take and carry away from the person or custody of the said JOSE L. CANTO, and against his will certain monies, goods or other property, to-wit: ONE (1) WATCH, ONE (1) BRACELET and ONE (1) RING, a better and more particular description of said goods or property being to the State Attorney unknown, said property being the subject of larceny and the property of JOSE L. CANTO, as owner or custodian, in violation of 813.011 Florida Statutes, contrary to the form of the Statute in such cases made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

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COUNT II

And RICHARD E. GERSTEIN, State Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, prosecuting for the State of Florida, in the County of Dade, under oath, further information makes that, RAMON DONESTEVEZ, beginning on the 1st day of September, 1972, and continuing through, to and including the 15th day of September, 1972, in the County and State aforesaid, by verbal communication with one JOSE L. CANTO, did unlawfully, feloniously and maliciously threaten personal harm and injury or death to the person of another; that is to say, the said defendant did verbally communicate with the said JOSE L. CANTO advising the said JOSE L. CANTO to obtain cash in the sum of EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS & NO CENTS)(\$800.00) CASH, good and lawful money of the United States of America, and the defendant did then and there threaten the said JOSE L. CANTO in the manner aforesaid by advising JOSE L. CANTO in words to the effect that unless the said JOSE L. CANTO, agreed to deliver the said EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$800.00) to the defendant by or on the 15th day of September, 1972, that he, the said defendant would then and there cause great personal harm or injury or death to the person of the said JOSE L. CANTO, the said defendant doing the acts and things aforesaid with intent thereby to extort money or pecuniary advantage and with the intent to compel the said JOSE L. CANTO to do certain acts against his will, in violation of 836.05 Florida Statutes,

11. Radio No. 166

18. Multiple Clear-Up Ret. Case No.

131. Kind of Property Recovered: Weapons and jewelry

48. Property Receipt: Yes No

132. Value: \$3,000

71. Referred To: N/A

73. Further Police Action Required: Yes No

70. Will Victim Prefer Charges: Yes No

95. Victim's Condition or Change Therein: N/A

50. Vehicle: none

51. Motor or Serial No.: N/A

52. License Tag No.: N/A

61. Where Recovered: N/A

134. Change of Value: N/A

47. Storage Receipt: Yes No

41. Person or Unit Notified: U.S. Treasury Department on scene

31. Subject Suspect Juvenile
DONESTEVEZ, Ramon

Res. Phone: 274-3564

Age: 35

Sex: M

Bus. Phone:

Race: W

Address: 9290 S. W. 99th Street

Incarcerated: Yes No

Where: jail

Occupation: boat builder

4A. Original Offense: Robbery

4. Original UCR Classification: Robbery

10. Address of Occurrence: 9970 Banyan Street

74. Date: Sept. 15, 1972

14. Victim's Name: CANTO, Jose L.

33. Remarks

#31 NAVARRO, EMILIO J.

425 S. W. 63 Avenue, Miami, Florida

dob - February 12, 1937

Incarcerated - D. C. Jail

SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS.

20. Reporting Officer's Signature: *George R. Hoover*

Badge No.: 220

13. District: 4

19. Approved By:

36. Grid: 2147

28. Referred To: N/A

Signature:

27. Recorded By:

25. Indexed By:

24. Statistics:

30. Disposition: Cleared By Arrest Unfounded Exceptionally Cleared Pending

26. Investigation: Suspended

Assigned To: N/A

Supervisor:

Date:

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33. Remarks Continued:
On September 14, 1972, this writer procured from OAF O.C.B. funds \$800 U. S. currency to be used in the proposed extortion payoff to subject #1. Arrangements were made for the payoff to the subject to be made at his business location on September 15, 1972, at 6:00 PM; however, at approximately 7:00 AM, September 15, 1972, the victim received a telephone call from the subject and was advised to bring the money to his business no later than 10:00 AM. At 9:30 AM, the victim was equipped with an electronic transmitting device and arrangements were made to photograph and record the extortion payoff. Photographic copies of the \$800 were made by this writer and the money was placed in a plain white envelope which was sealed by this writer, in the presence of Sergeant V. Oller and Detective A. Fernandez.

At 11:30 AM, a meeting was held in the South District with Detectives from the Robbery Unit, South G.I.U. Unit, U.S. Treasury agents and investigators from the Organized Crime Bureau. The aforementioned envelope containing \$800 was given to the victim who was instructed to proceed to 9970 Banyon Street, Piranha Boat Corporation. He was instructed to have the subject come outside of the business and, if possible, to give him the money in an open area so that electronic recording and photographing of the payoff could be made. At 11:40 AM, the victim arrived at the location in his private vehicle. Via the use of an electronic receiving device, this writer, Lieutenant Sommerhoff, Sergeant V. Oller and Special Agent James Harmon (U.S. Treasury) overheard and observed the passing of the money in the white envelope to DONESTEVEZ.

On pre-arranged signal, all officers were advised to move into their respective locations and a search warrant procured on September 14, 1972, from Judge Murray Goodman, was executed. This writer, Lieutenant Sommerhoff, Sergeant Oller and Agent Harmon proceeded to the front door located on the southwest end of the building; however, discovered that the door, a large steel reinforced structure, had apparently been closed and bolted from the inside. We were advised by Officer Fernandez

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33. Remarks Continued:
 that the subject had been standing on a raised platform overlooking an eight foot steel fence and that upon the arrival of
 executing detectives, he had apparently closed and locked the door. Sergeant Oller announced in Spanish and in English
 that we were police officers with a search and arrest warrant and requested the door be opened. (It should be noted that
 a uniform officer from the South District in a uniform, marked patrol car, was also present at the front door.) For
 approximately five minutes, we received no response and continued to announce our purpose and presence. The front door
 was finally opened by the subject who was immediately advised by this writer that he was under arrest on charges of
 armed robbery and extortion, and he was read the search warrant, in Spanish, by Detective Avelino Fernandez. The subject
 was asked, by this writer, if he understood English, and he replied that he did and spoke English fluently, and at this time,
 he was advised of his Constitutional Rights. The subject advised he had no knowledge as to why we were there and after
 being searched, requested to know what specifically we were looking for. I advised the subject, who was not in possession
 of the money or envelope, that the search warrant was for jewelry and a weapon removed during the commission of an armed
 robbery, and that we were looking for \$800 which had been given to him approximately five minutes earlier by the victim.
 DONESTEVEZ laughed and stated that he knew nothing about any money or jewelry and that we must be mistaken. He stated that
 the only money on the premises was his own personal funds in his billfold on his desk. This writer examined a black
 man's billfold which contained several large bills; however, after comparing the serial numbers against those given to the
 victim, it was determined that this was not the money. Directly next to a desk in the subject's office a white envelope
 was observed by this writer; however, upon examination it was empty. (It should be noted that the envelope was found
 approximately two feet from a toilet.)

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At this time, a search of the entire office was conducted; however, the money and the jewelry were not located.

Approximately two minutes after the building was entered, this writer was advised by Detective Kenneth West that on a second level platform, there appeared to be a machine gun or a cannon. He advised the writer that the weapon was on the floor and that he had observed it when he was checking the second level for additional subjects. (It should be noted that five additional subjects were located throughout the warehouse which is an extremely large structure of several thousand square feet.) I advised Detective West not to remove nor touch any item. As the passing of the money was observed, monitored and photographed, going into the building and being given to DONESTEVEZ, a comprehensive and thorough search of the office was conducted ^{where} and the envelope was found. ~~xxxx~~ Due to the construction of the building, and the possibility that the jewelry and money could have been concealed behind a large metal wall covering, several of the coverings were pried open for examination.

After approximately one hour of search, neither the jewelry nor the money were found, and following consultations between investigating officers, it was believed that the money was flushed down the toilet or that due to the size of the building, that additional search would only lead to mass destruction of the building, and that the possibility of recovering the money would be negligible. During the search of the building, the following items were discovered by this writer and Sergeant Oller:

1. Inside the main office of DONESTEVEZ, an AR 18 rifle, .38 cal. automatic pistol, green army type fatigues, and several hundred rounds of .30 cal. ammunition. In addition, the aforementioned white envelope which contained \$800 originally.
2. In the hall way next to the main office. A large wooden case containing what appeared to be several thousand rounds

Reporting Officer's Signature

George R. [Signature]

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33. Remarks Continued:

the search warrant any knowledge of any envelope or money.) When requested by this writer, if he would be willing to take a lie detector test, he refused. (It should be noted that the victim has cancelled checks for payment to DONESTEVEZ for approximately \$4,000.)

During the preparation of the inventory and return, this writer remarked to Detective West "I wonder how this round thing fits on the cannon?" DONESTEVEZ replied "It fits right on the side". I asked DONESTEVEZ what he intended to do with a 20mm cannon and he replied that he was a collector. When requested by Detective West the purpose of several thousand rounds of 7.62 ammunition, DONESTEVEZ advised that it fit the Johnson which he also collected.

The aforementioned white envelope, found in DONESTEVEZ' office, was submitted to William Miller of the P.S.D. Identification Section, who has advised this writer that positive identification of the victim's prints were found on the envelope following examination.

On September 16, 1972, this writer, Sergeant Oller and Detective Fernandez appeared in Magistrate Court and were advised that bond for DONESTEVEZ and NAVARRO was denied, and that a preliminary hearing was set for * 2:00 PM, September 22, 1972. All property (automatic weapons) will be turned over to the U. S. Treasury Department, for Federal Firearms violations.

30. CASE CLOSED BY ARREST.

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| 20. Reporting Officer's Name (Print) <i>George R. Hunt</i> | Badge No. 220 | 13. District 4 | 36. Grid 2149 | 29. Report Prepared by (Signature) <i>Same</i> |
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